

**MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**OCTOBER 17th, 2017**

The Butler City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 17th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 22 West Ohio with Mayor Malan presiding. The following Councilmen were present:

**ROLL CALL**

Jim Garnett	Craig Irwin
David Brown	Terry Agnew
Mike Irick	Gayle Cook
Gayle Stark	Carolyn Jett

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Others present were City Administrator Casey Koehn, City Clerk Corey Snead, City Attorney Joe Lauber and Police Sergeant Mark Frost.

**OTHER GUESTS**

Gayle Alexander, Linn Nitsche, Tonya Williams, Chance Hedrick, Shanya Hedrick, and Betty Irwin

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Jett, seconded by Garnett to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2017 and October 3, 2017 regular and closed sessions. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Irick to approve the bills presented for payment Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion by Garnett, seconded by Cook to approve the Travel/Training request presented. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**DELETION/ADDITION TO AGENDA**

None

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**

Tonya Williams - ECD

Tonya Williams and Chance Hedrick from Electric City Downtown came before council about the Christmas Light proposal. The current proposal would be to replace the current lights around the square with new LED lights. The cost of the new LED lights would be \$5,964.00 for 2,130 lights. The new lights would be all white bulbs. This would allow the lights to be turned on for other events on the square during the year. It was also pointed out that going to LED lights would also be a cost savings for the city as well. It was also presented that the city has budgeted \$7,000.00 this year for Christmas

decorations. Tonya Williams also invited the City Council to attend a town hall meeting at the First Baptist Church on 10/19/17 for Electric City Downtown.

**COMMITTEES**

None

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**Airport**

Koehn reported that the Airport Commission met on October 12, 2017. They discussed the current drainage project at the airport. The dirt work has been completed and they will come back in April to finish the project. The airport is also looking into doing a air show next year.

**Park and Recreation**

Koehn reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission met on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017. They discussed the lack of recreation programs in the city, and the possibility of hiring a Park and Recreations Director.

**Planning Commission**

Koehn reported that the Planning Commission met on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017. They are looking into a rezoning issue south of the airport. Properties are not zoned correctly for commercial use.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Christmas Lights**

The City has \$7,000.00 in the budget for Christmas decorations this year. That if we just replaced the broken bulbs around the square it would cost \$2,500.00. The new LED lights would cost \$5,964.00 and would be all white bulbs. Motion by Jett to accept the bid from Creative Design for \$5,964.00 for the new LED lights, seconded by Irick. Motion passes with a 5-3 vote.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**BILLS, ORDINANCES,  
RESOLUTIONS, POLICES and  
PROCLAMATIONS**

None

**Reports**

**CITY CLERK**

A finance committee will need to be called before the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting to discuss the audit.

**POLICE CHIEF**

No Report.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

No Report.

**CITY ADMIN**

**Fiber**

Koehn has included the completed fiber survey in the packet for your review.

We will be meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm with the engineers and financial advisor to go over the study and possible funding of the project for the upcoming budget year. Koehn will be available if anyone has questions about fiber.

**Project Lemonade**

We received notification from MO State Parks that the federal LWCF grant agreements have been received and the award letter is in the mail for the City of Butler.

**Airport Project**

The contractor has begun the dirt work at the north end and will be finishing the remaining asphalt and drainage work in the spring.

**310 S. Main**

Abatement of 310 S. Main- The hearing was held October 4, 2017 at City Hall and Koehn is working on the findings of fact in order to make an assessment.

**304 E. Ft Scott**

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**Event Forms**

City Council went over the event form with Koehn and made recommendations for a few changes to the form. Koehn will make the changes and send the form back out to City Council.

**CLG**

Now that the CLG has been passed, the Mayor is looking at possible appointees to the Butler Historic Preservation Commission.

**Budget**

Budget time is coming up and we need to start thinking about what we want for the upcoming budget. Prioritize the needs the city has for the budget.

**BATES COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPER**

Working with Lilly's House in Adrian for a grant. EPA has given clearance for Poplar Heights Farm to start the trails project. Submitted a RFI for a grocery store in the old King Cash Savers. Looking at grants for water and sewer improvements and grants for street improvements.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

No Report.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

No Report.

**MAYOR**

Thank all the city employees for their hard work and dedication.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**GARNETT**

Nothing to Report.

**BROWN**

Nothing to Report.

IRICK	Nothing to Report.
STARK	Nothing to Report.
IRWIN	Nothing to Report.
AGNEW	Nothing to Report.
COOK	Nothing to Report.
JETT	Call for a Finance Committee meeting before City Council at 6:00 p.m. on November 7 <sup>th</sup> and November 21 <sup>st</sup> . Kudos on the Project Lemonade Grant.
<b><u>New Business</u></b>	None

<b>ADJOURN</b>	There being no further business, motion was made by Jett, seconded by Garnett to go into closed session. Roll Call Vote Brown – Aye Irick – Aye Irwin – Aye Cook – Aye Garnett – Aye Stark – Aye Agnew – Aye Jett – Aye
	Motion by Brown to adjourn the regular session council meeting, seconded by Garnett. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

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Mayor Don H. Malan

**ATTEST**

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Corey Snead  
City Clerk