

April 3, 2023

Town of Chandler Council Meeting Minutes

The Chandler Town Council meeting was called to order April 3, 2023, at the Chandler Town Hall, 401 E. Lincoln Ave. at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call: Present - Cheryl Amos, Kim Burnett, Tonya Wester, Ron Whitledge

Absent - Sandy Elder

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: Minutes for the March 20, 2023, regular meeting were presented to the council. Motion was made by Ron Whitledge to approve the minutes, second by Cheryl Amos. **Roll call**: Cheryl Amos yes, Kim Burnett yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Citizens on the agenda: Tonya invited Brittany to speak regarding the community garden and thanked her for sharing the layout and gardening plan with the council. Brittany said they are ready to break ground and asked if there's anything the council needs. Tonya said that we want to make sure no one is charged to avoid legal issues and Brittany assured her there are no plans to charge anyone. Ron asked about getting volunteers to sign a liability waiver and Josh offered to send them a form. Motion was made by Cheryl Amos to approve the community garden plan, second by Kim Burnett. Roll call: Cheryl Amos yes, Kim Burnett yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Town Attorney: Josh updated the council. We will have public hearings for annexations and the vacation of Paula Dr. at the next meeting. The 5-year tax abatement that was approved for the Lampert business park was filed correctly, but the amended 10 year abatement wasn't. Josh is working with the county to get the issue corrected. Josh mentioned they are continuing work on the water bond and a pre-close meeting will be on April 7 and it will close on April 21. Josh shared the engagement letter from Baker Tilly for their services. Motion was made by Ron Whitledge to approve the updated engagement agreement with Baker Tilly, second by Kim Burnett. **Roll call**: Cheryl Amos yes, Kim Burnett yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Police Chief: Report emailed.

Fire Chief: Report emailed. Spencer shared a copy of the renewed accident policy with the council.

Director of Public Services: Report emailed.

Utility Administrator: Report emailed. The council discussed Christmas decorations and Brian asked if they'd like to add garland to the order and how much. Ron suggested 4 pieces per pole decoration. The council agreed and asked Brian to get with Misty to determine how many pole decorations we have.

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Environmental Manager: Report emailed. Michael informed the council he served abatement notices to properties on Kentucky, Washington, and Iowa as directed and the notice period has expired. Roberta at 816 E Washington asked for more time and Michael mentioned that some of the junk has been bagged. An attorney in Boonville, Zengler, responded to the town's request for proof of intention to sell by the owners of 210 N Iowa. Michael suggested moving forward with the property on Kentucky since there's been no effort to comply. He's talking with contractors to get estimates. Motion was made by Kim Burnett to move forward with on the 202 N Kentucky abatement, second by Ron Whitledge. **Roll call**: Cheryl Amos yes, Kim Burnett yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Michael informed the council the IDEM annual report has been submitted. He mentioned that he is required by IDEM to give a presentation to the council on the town's MS4 program and asked how they would like to do that. Tonya said the council needs to talk with Kirk regarding the police department and about Rob's position. The council agreed to meet at 1:00 p.m. on the 13th and asked Michael if an hour before the next meeting would be enough time for his presentation. Michael agreed it would be, so the council also asked Brian to post an executive at 5:00 p.m. before the next regular meeting.

Michael reminded the council that Paula Dr. will have to be surveyed to get the legal description needed for the ordinance, but it's expected to be ready by the next meeting. Josh asked Michael to send him the results on the Friday before, so he'll have time to add the legal description.

Cheryl asked about Thorpe Lane and Michael mentioned that they have looked at it and it's on the APC's radar, but it's not a high priority right now so there are no current recommendations.

Clerk Treasurer: Report emailed.

Claims: Cheryl Amos made a motion to approve claims as presented in the amount of \$549,095.48, second by Ron Whitledge. **Roll call:** Cheryl Amos yes, Kim Burnett yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Cheryl Amos to recess the meeting, second by Ron Whitledge. **Roll call:** Cheryl Amos yes, Kim Burnett yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Tonya Wester, Council President

Brian Pace, Clerk Treasurer