

**City of Walnut
City Council Meeting
August 9th, 2021, 7:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

President of the Council Brian Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order with Council Members Jamie Burke, Brian Crapson, Joshua Sturm, and Cory Scott, in attendance. Also in attendance were City Clerk Saralyn Boyd, City Treasurer Samantha Guy, City Superintendent Craig Kirkpatrick, and City Attorney Timothy Fielder. Mayor Karen Crapson was absent.

Approval of Agenda

Brian Crapson made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Cory Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Approval of Minutes

Cory Scott motioned for approval of the minutes from the previous regular meeting. Brian Crapson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Approval of Bills

Cory Scott made a motion to approve the bills. Brian Crapson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Clerk's Report

The account balance as of August 9th, is \$82,566.28. As for delinquent utility accounts for July, all were collected. The number of utility bills left for August collection is to be determined.

Treasurer's Report

City Treasurer, Samantha Guy, reported all was accurate for the reports for July.

Sam mentioned there is an extra \$17,000 in the account due to an ARPA grant that was available through the State of Kansas. These funds can be used for infrastructure improvements. This \$17,000 includes the first allotment of the grant. The purpose of the funds need to be designated by December 2024 and must be spent by December 2026.

Old Business

Mowing Violation properties are scheduled to be mowed the following Friday.

New Business

Sam requested the council to consider purchasing the hardware and/or vinyl for banners on Main Street as had been discussed last year around December but had no action yet. The banners for this time of year could be used for Labor Day and also be generic to use year round as well. Brian Crapson motioned to purchase 6 sets of hardware for the banners. Cory Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor. Cory motioned the approval of Sam designing the generic banner and also to order the 6 vinyl banners. Brian Crapson seconded the motion. All were in favor. The council mentioned other seasonal banners can be purchased when we approach those holidays.

Maintenance Report

The water station repairs are postponed until around Fall. Water leaks are being addressed by priority.

Librarian's Report

Sierra mentioned to the council the Community Center is in need of a new heat/air unit and asked if the city would be able to split the cost. The council requested estimates to be provided at the next council meeting.

Councilmember Concerns

There were no councilmember concerns at this time.

Public Comment

Craig mentioned some information about automatic read meters and that the manual read meters will soon not be able to be purchased anymore.

Call for Adjournment

Cory Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joshua Sturm seconded the motion. All were in favor.