

**CITY OF YUMA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**HYBRID REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SWEHLA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Baucke, Ebersole, McClung, Shay, Swehla. Smith-Dischner absent.

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Moore, Jerry Thompson, Candy Gilliland, Karma Wells.

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no corrections or additions to the Agenda, but Council Member Smith-Dischner will be late.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 19, 2021, AGENDA

Shay moved to approve the October 19, 2021, Agenda. Second by Baucke. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 5, 2021, MINUTES AND THE OCTOBER 12, 2021, SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Ebersole moved to approve the October 5, 2021, Minutes and the October 12, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. **COUNCIL VACANCY DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION – MAYOR SWEHLA.** Mayor Swehla stated that he has received a letter of resignation from Council Member Hoch. Mayor Swehla read the letter aloud in its entirety. He thanked Council Member Hoch for his years of service and said he will be missed. Shay moved to accept the resignation of Council Member Hoch. Second by Baucke. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- Mayor Swehla stated that to fill the vacancy, it will be advertised on the City’s website, Facebook and “The Yuma Pioneer”. Interested parties must turn in a “Letter of Interest” by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 1, 2021.
- B. **ACCEPTANCE OF SIPA CYBER SECURITY GRANT – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated that he is asking for Council’s approval to accept the funds from the “SIPA Cyber Security Grant”, which was discussed at the September 21st Council meeting. Initially, it was stated that the City would receive \$6,500 toward the \$7,875 cost of the cyber security audit, but that amount is actually \$5,728. This would make the City’s portion \$2,146.68. Shay moved to accept the grant funds from SIPA. Second by Ebersole. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. **APPROVAL OF BILLS – KARMA WELLS.** Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with an additional list of bills. Ebersole moved to approve the bills. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

- D. **PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated that he has received the invoice from Yuma County Economic Development asking the City for the \$10,000 contribution which was included in the 2021 budget. Shay moved to approve the \$10,000 contribution to YCED. Second by Ebersole. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE

Manager Moore stated that the newest street sweeper is broke down again, due to a bearing not being greased which caused a plate to be damaged. The cost to replace that part is \$17,000. They are trying to see if Jim Andrews can fabricate that plate for less money. The sweeper is down until that part can be replaced. The old Pelican sweeper is being used for now and the yellow sweeper is being used exclusively for leaves.

Manager Moore also stated that the Vactor sewer cleaning truck is out for repairs. There were some issues with it and it is still under the 6 month warranty, so it has been sent to Denver to fix those issues. It will hopefully be back later this week. We do have an agreement in place with a firm out of Brush if any emergency sewer situations come up.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS

Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with the Sales Tax Report.

CHIEF OF POLICE, JERRY THOMPSON

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

McClung

- Council Member McClung stated that he will be attending the Landfill Board meeting. They have already determined that there is no cash available for capital outlay. They are currently renting an operator and scraper from the County. He is expecting that there will be some type of fee increase in 2022.

Ebersole

- Council Member Ebersole stated that he took part in an event put on by the Resource Center on Sunday. It was a health fair for both humans and animals. He stated that he worked with the animals. They treated over 60 animals. Twenty-seven dogs and three cats received their license with the City. People from surrounding communities also took part in the event.
- Manager Moore added that Quality Farm & Ranch donated \$250 toward the City licenses and he expressed his thanks to them for that.

Shay

- Mayor Pro-Tem Shay stated that he will be attending the NECALG meeting in Fort Morgan tomorrow and will report at the next City Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

“To consider personnel matters, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session, specifically for the City Manager, City Clerk/Treasurer and Chief of Police evaluations.”

Mayor Swehla stated Council intends to meet in executive session to consider personnel matters, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session, specifically for the City Manager, City Clerk/Treasurer and Chief of Police evaluations. Ebersole moved to go into Executive Session. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Council resumed regular session at 7:20 p.m. Mayor Swehla made a statement for who was present in executive session and there were no objections to the discussions in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Baucke moved to adjourn. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Ron Swehla
Mayor

Karma Wells, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer