

**City of St. John**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
February 4, 2020

**I. Call to order**

Mayor Bryant called to order the regular meeting of the St. John City Council at 7:00 PM on February 4, 2020 City Hall. The following persons were present: Mark Bryant, Mayor, Marshal Sanders, President, Ryan Christie, Ross Fisher and Kyle Bunker.

**II. Additions to the Agenda**

- a) Land Bank at the end of the meeting
- b) 10 minutes executive session to discuss non-elect personnel matter – President of Land Bank
- c) Discussion over dumpster in the Land Bank
- d) 15 minutes executive session to discuss non-elect personnel matter – Police Chief

**Christie moves to approve additions to the agenda. Sanders seconded. Motion carries 4-0**

**III. Citizen Comments – Comments discussed**

**IV. Consent Agenda**

- a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes- January 21, 2020

***Sanders moves to approve the regular council meeting minutes. Fisher seconded. No Discussion. Motion carries 4-0***

- b) Appropriation Ordinance #12-31-2019-2 - \$3,183.50, 02-04-2020 - \$56,903.69

***Christie moves to approve the appropriation ordinance #12-31-2019-2 & 02-04-2020 for amount of \$60,087.19. Sanders seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 3-0***

- c) Transfer \$900.00 from diversion fund to main checking & 15,000.00 to Land Bank

***Sanders moves to approve the transfer \$900.00 from diversion fund to main checking & \$15,000.00 to Land Bank. Bunker seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0***

**V. Committee & Department Head Reports-**

- a) City Superintendent – Working on street signs, trimming trees, short of employees, state reports. Ordering transformer deck.

***Sanders moves to approve the purchase of transformer deck in the amount of \$2406.00. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0***

- b) Public Utilities Supervisor – Lift station pump

***Sanders moves to approve the bid from JCI for the amount of \$59488.00 to be paid out of sewer replacement fund. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0***

- c) Grant Administrator- No Report

- d) Police Chief – 2<sup>nd</sup> interview for full time position. Requesting a purchase of a new K9 in the amount of \$8,500.00

**Sanders moves to approve a purchase from Signal K9 for the amount of \$8,500.00 for new K9 dog out of the equipment reserve fund. Christie seconded. Motion carries 4-1. Macias abstains**

**Fisher moves to release K9 dog – Valco first week of March to be returned to Signal K9. Christie seconded. Motion carries 4-1. Macias Abstains**

- e) Fire Chief- Remove Justin Van Dyke, Davin Graves and Jacob Whitaker from Fire Department

**Christie moves to approve Justin Van Dyke, Davin Graves and Jacob Whitaker from Fire Department. Fisher seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0**

- f) City Administrator- No Report
- g) City Attorney- Working on Marijuana and paraphernalia ordinance, discuss city and county meeting

## **VI. Old Business**

- a) West Street – no comments
- b) Utility truck – Truck is being made the week of March 9th
- c) Truck parking – Consensus to take it off the agenda for now
- d) Street signs – The project will be done in a week or two. Consensus to take it off the agenda.
- e) Witt Center Repairs– Ben is working on this
- f) Strategic plan –
- g) Police Department Policy

**Sanders moves to approve Police Department Policy. Bunker seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0**

## **VII. New Business – No New Business**

## **VIII. Executive session**

- a) Sanders moves for 20 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matter exception to include City Council, Mayor, City Treasurer, Police Chief and City Attorney. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0. Meeting will reconvene at 7:53 pm.

**Macias arrives at 7:54 pm**

**Mayor reconvened regular meeting at 7:53 pm. Sanders moves to accept Jeremy Courtney designation letter. Christie seconded. No Discussion. Motion carries 4-0. Macias abstains**

- b) Sanders moves for 20 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to review applications for potential hire to include City Council, Mayor, City Treasurer, Electric Supervisor and City attorney. Macias seconded. No Discussion. Motion carries 5-0. Meeting will reconvene at 8:23 pm.

**Mayor reconvened regular meeting at 8:23 pm. Christie moves to hire Jacob Raymond Davis at \$20.00 per hour for electric department. Sanders seconded. No Discussion. Motion carries 5-0**

**Mayor recesses regular council meeting at 8:25 pm. President Sanders opens land bank meeting at this time as well.**

## **IX. Land bank**

- a) Property on 302 E 1<sup>st</sup> will be coming down by the end of this week. Asking for dumpsters for the cleaning and Land Bank to pay for the dumpster fee.

**Christie moves to use dumpsters from Kansas Dirt and to be paid out of Land Bank account. Bryant seconded. Motion carries 4-1. Fisher opposes**

**Sanders moves adjourn Land Bank meeting. Bryant seconded. Motion carries 5-0. Reconvene regular meeting at this time as well.**

**X. Adjournment**

- a) Next Regular Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 7:00pm at City Hall.

***Sanders moves to adjourn meeting. Macias seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 5-0***

  
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MAYOR

  
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CITY TREASURER