

City of St. John
Council Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2020

I. Call to order

Mayor Bryant called to order the regular meeting of the St. John City Council at 7:00 PM on January 21, 2020 City Hall. The following persons were present: Mark Bryant, Mayor, Marshal Sanders, President, Ryan Christie, Esai Macias, and Kyle Bunker.

II. Additions to the Agenda

- a) Appropriation Ordinance #1-21-2020-2 Nitrate Removal plant loan payment - \$36,727.23
- b) Approval for mayor to sign letter of support for Economic Development for HOME program
- c) 5 Minutes – Executive session for non-elective personnel matter
- d) To approve letter of designation under new business
- e) Discussion on marijuana procession and paraphernalia ordinance under police chief

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

III. Citizen Comments – No comments

IV. Consent Agenda

- a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes- January 7, 2020

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

- b) Appropriation Ordinance #12-31-2019, 1-21-2020 - \$35,276.43. Appropriation Ordinance# 1-21-2020-2 for Nitrate loan payment - \$36727.23 and Petty Cash - \$176.45

Sanders moves to approve the appropriation ordinance #12-31-20, 1-21-20 & 1-21-20-2 for \$72,003.66 and petty cash in the amount of \$176.45. Macias seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 3-0 Christies abstains

V. Nisly Brothers, inc

– Discussion about new trash service. Consensus to keep using Unruh Brothers Waste

VI. Stafford county Economic Development – Carolyn Dunn

- a) Discussion about the project and study. New housing making St John their new focus instead of Manhattan. Suggestion made to have a public hearing including Councils, County Commissioners and citizens to farther discuss the project. Carolyn is to work with clerk office to get the meeting setup
- b) Letter of support for Economic Development for HOME program

Consensus of council for Mayor to sign letter of support

Mayor recesses regular council meeting at 7:49. President Sanders opens land bank meeting at this time as well.

VII. Landbank

- a) **Resolution 2020-002 – Agreement with Economic Development for the HOME grant**

- Resolution number needs to be changed to 001 since this is first resolution for Land Bank

Bryant moves to approve resolution 2020-002 with the changes mentioned. Christie Seconded. Motion carries 4-0

Bryant moves adjourn Land Bank meeting. Christie seconded. Motion carries 4-0. Reconvene regular meeting at this time as well.

VIII. Committee & Department Head Reports-

- a) City Superintendent – Working on street signs, trimming trees.
- b) Public Utilities Supervisor – Discussion truck parking. Discussion about lift station pump. 2 bids presented to councils. Consensus of Council to put lift station under old business.
- c) Grant Administrator- Approve Phase 1 of SRTS

Bunker moves to approve Phase 1 of SRTS, Sanders seconded. Motion carries 4-0

- d) Police Chief – Damaged to dog pound. Consensus of Council for Chief to bring bids to next meeting for the repair. Ordinance for marijuana procession and paraphernalia. Policy for police department.
- e) Fire Chief- No Report
- f) City Administrator- Discussion about overcharge on electric bill from MWE.
- g) City Attorney- No Report

IX. Old Business

- a) West Street – no comments
- b) Utility truck –
- c) Truck parking –
- d) Street signs –
- e) Witt Center Repairs– Ben still plans to begin work around the 20th of this month. He will be in and out over the next few weeks getting precise measurements and a plan.
- f) Strategic plan –

X. New Business

- a) Federal Railroad Administration’s train Horn Rule – Discussion. No action taken.
- b) Letter of resignation for David Heller

Macias moves to accept letter of resignation for David Heller. Sanders seconded. Motion carries 4-0.

XI. Executive session

- a) Sanders moves for 5 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matter exception to include City Council, Mayor and City Attorney. Bunker seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0. Meeting will reconvene at 8:44 pm.

Mayor reconvened regular meeting at 8:44 pm. No action taken at this time.

XII. Adjournment

- a) Next Regular Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 7:00pm at City Hall.

Sanders moves to adjourn meeting. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0



MAYOR



CITY TREASURER