

City Clerk's Office
March 13, 2017
5:00 p.m.

The governing body of the City of Syracuse met in regular session on March 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office. Councilmembers present were Steve Schell, Michelle Boy, Vance Keller and Mayor, Blake Upson. Employees present were Brian Bloyd, Administrator, Linda Dinkel, City Clerk, Daliz Oquendo, City Treasurer. Marcus Ashlock, Kerstin Mitchell and Ron Miller were also present. Absent were Dustin Doze and Matt Gould.

Mayor Upson opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rob Gale arrived.

There were no public comments.

Michele Boy presented Kerstin Mitchell and Ron Miller Citizen of the Month awards for cleaning up furniture and trash that was dumped by the State Lake.

Councilman Keller made motion to approve the agenda after adding a charter ordinance concerning election dates and terms of office. Councilman Schell seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Schell made motion to approve the minutes of February 13, 2017. Councilwoman Boy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Boy made motion to approve appropriation ord. # 932 in the amount of \$105,931.83. Councilman Keller seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Sewer rate increases were discussed. Bloyd presented research on revenue that could be raised with a 5% increase. Classes and definitions of users were discussed. Attorney Gale is to present on ordinance incorporating rate increases at the next regular meeting.

T Check's Windbreak was approved for a Class B Private Club License on motion made by Councilman Keller. Councilwoman Boy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The Sewer Lagoon project was discussed briefly.

CHARTER ORDINANCE No. 2017-01; A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF SYRACUSE, FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 15-201, RELATING TO THE LECTION OF OFFICERS, THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE, TRANSITIONS TO NOVEMBER ELECTIONS, THE FILLING OF GOVERNING BODY VACANCIES, AND NOMINATION PETITIONS; AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE AND ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON THE SAME SUBJECT; AND REPEALING CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 474.

The ordinance was read section by section and as a whole. Councilwoman Boy made motion to approve the ordinance. Councilman Schell seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 ayes.

REPORTS:

SAND PARK: Weather has been good and we have had some riders on the weekends.

ADMINISTRATOR: Our Waste Water Inspection with Denise Simon from KDHE will be March 14, 2017. We are still working on the parks. St. Paddy's Day Art Walk is March 17, 2017 and we will block of the Main Street from Avenue A to Avenue B.

CITY CLERK: Dinkel will be attending CCMFOA training and conference in Wichita Tuesday evening through Friday. Having the office closed during the noon hour was discussed.

ROUND TABLE: Marcus Ashlock mentioned that there was a cancelation for an advertisement in the Wild West Magazine if there were any ideas for a business to fill the spot.

On motion from Councilman Schell, seconded by Councilman Keller the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

Linda Dinkel

Linda Dinkel, City Clerk

Blake Upson

Blake Upson, Mayor