

**ANDOVER CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, August 14, 2012
Minutes**

1. Mayor Ben Lawrence called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Council Members: Byron Stout IV, Sheri Geisler, Troy Tabor, and Kris Estes were present. Clark Nelson and Caroline Hale were absent.

Staff: Police Chief Mike Keller, Chief Financial Officer Donna Davis, Fire Chief Jim Shaver, City Attorney Norman Manley, City Clerk Susan Renner, and City Administrator Sasha Stiles.

A/V staff: Bill Duggan and Cindy Barrett.

3. Invocation was given by Pastor Leon Hiebert of Generations Church and Andover Police Chaplains.

4. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Ben Lawrence.

5. Public Forum

Kim Quastadt, 1607 Singletree Circle, asked the Council for a reduction in the impact fees he was being asked to pay for the remodel at 615 N. Andover Road. He felt the fees were outrageous for turning a business of seven employees into a four-plex. He felt this to be excessive for sewer service he did not feel would be increasing with the change.

Sasha Stiles provided the amounts charged in other communities but reminded the Council City policy was set to cover the cost for the City of Andover, which is based on the needs and growth of this community, not other communities.

Council Member Byron Stout did not agree with Mr. Quastadt regarding additional usage but would like to take a look at the City's policy for impact fees.

Mayor Ben Lawrence explained the Council can look at the policy for changes at a future date and return with a proposed policy or override the current policy for a one time deal which will open the door for other requests.

Council Member Geisler stated she was involved with some of the updates and reminded the Council of the wastewater plant that is going to require expansion and agrees the City of Andover needs are not the same as other communities. She added Mr. Quastadt will be saving money through the NRP.

A motion was made by Council Member Kris Estes, seconded by Council Member Byron Stout, to waive one park impact fee in the amount of \$675.00. Motion carried 3/1. Council Member Sheri Geisler opposed.

6. Acceptance of Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Troy Tabor, seconded by Council Member Byron Stout, to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes

- i. City Council Workshop: July 30, 2012
 - ii. City Council Meeting: July 31, 2012
- b. Receive & file reports
 - i. Finance: July 2012
 - ii. Fire: July 2012
- c. Approval of appropriation ordinance B-14-12 in the amount of \$ 444,187.22.
- d. Approval of non-elected personnel items
Nathan Regier, status change from non-certified to certified Police Officer, with a pay increase from \$15.96 to \$16.71, effective June 25, 2012.
- e. Approval of a request for street closure for the "Friends of the Poor" walk on September 16, 2012, sponsored by Saint Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.
- f. Approval to accept the 2012 COPS Hiring Grant which covers 75% reimbursement and up to \$125,000 for an approved entry-level police officer salary and benefits for 36 months. It is required the employee be a military veteran who served active duty in the last 180 days and the position must be retained for 12 months following the 36 months covered by the grant.

A motion was made by Council Member Troy Tabor, seconded by Council Member Kris Estes, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

8. Public Hearing : 2013 Budget

Mayor Ben Lawrence opened the public hearing for comments regarding the proposed 2013 Budget. No one spoke. The hearing was closed.

9. Consideration of proposed 2013 Budget

Sasha Stiles gave an overview of the budget.

A motion was made by Council Member Kris Estes, seconded by Council Member Byron Stout, to approve the 2013 Budget as presented. Motion carried 4/0.

10. 21st Street lighting

Sasha Stiles stated the paving is complete and these changes are due to the extra length mast arms that are required for the installation of the street lights and to re-locate the existing lights. The work will be done by Westar and there are project funds available to cover the cost.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheri Geisler, seconded by Council Member Byron Stout to approve Westar charge orders 104018 in the amount of \$2,689.41 and 104253 in the amount of \$2,328.00. Motion carried 4/0.

Mayor Ben Lawrence requested an Executive Session to discuss legal matters.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheri Geisler, seconded by Council Member Troy Tabor to enter executive session to discuss legal matters and to include the Governing Body, City Administrator and City Attorney for approximately ten minutes. Motion carried 4/0.

A motion was made by Council Member Byron Stout, seconded by Council Member Troy Tabor to come out of executive session. Motion carried 4/0.

No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

11. Member Items

Council Member Byron Stout

- Had a great time at National Night Out with great Andover residents, picnics and parties.

Council Member Sheri Geisler had none.

Council Member Troy Tabor

- Announced the 3rd Annual Sunflower Kids consignment sale will be held September 27-29 at Sunflower Elementary.

Council Member Kris Estes

- Is happy about the 2013 Budget meeting the needs and reducing the mill levy.
- Reminded everyone school starts and if the student lives more than 2.5 miles from school they have to pay to ride the bus; there will be a lot of students walking.

Mayor Ben Lawrence asked Council Members to confirm with Ms. Stiles if they will be attending the League of Kansas Municipalities conference.

A motion was made by Council Member Byron Stout, seconded by Council Member Troy Tabor to adjourn. Motion carried 4/0.

Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted by

Susan Renner
City Clerk

Approved this 28th day of August, 2012 by the City Council, City of Andover, Kansas.