

**MINUTES
BUHLER CITY COUNCIL
April 30, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jake Schmidt called the regular session of the City Council for the City of Buhler to order at 7:01 pm at the Buhler City Offices on Tuesday, April 30, 2024. Councilmembers present: Michael Yutzy, Charles Taylor, and Andrew Epp. Councilmembers absent: Candace Davidson and Ryan Brady

CONSENT MOTION

Council reviewed the Minutes of the March 26, 2024 Regular Council meetings, Appropriations Ordinance #1157, Budget, Income and Water Reports, Planning Commission Appointments, Ordinance 645 – UPOC, Ordinance 646 – Franchise Agreement Brightspeed and Municipal Water Conservation Plan. **A motion was made by Councilmember Yutzy, seconded by Councilmember Taylor to approve the Minutes of the March 26, 2024 Regular Council meetings, Appropriations Ordinance #1157, Budget, Income and Water Reports, Planning Commission Appointments, Ordinance 645 – UPOC, Ordinance 646 – Franchise Agreement Brightspeed and Municipal Water Conservation Plan.** Voice vote 3 yeas, 0 nays – carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

KDHE Loan – Water Line-Mayor Jake spoke to council explaining no decision will be made tonight and would like all councilmembers present to make decision. The water line from the water tower to Rayl Rd is deteriorating. Residents on the line do not have a feasible option for water so the city is working on options. A KDHE loan is an option and that could get paid back multiple ways. Option 1: Allocate to residents on the line. Option 2: Share with all meters and Option 3: Hybrid.
Several Residents on the line spoke to council.

NEW BUSINESS

KDHE Loan - Meters: City would like to go with a 20-year option as the water meter, warranty is for 20 years. New water meters will help with water leak detection and accuracy. **A motion was made by Councilmember Yutzy, seconded by Councilmember Taylor to move forward with meter project and KDHE loan for 20 years not to exceed \$400,000.** Voice vote 3 yeas, 0 nays –Carried.

STAFF REPORTS

City Clerk Sara Howard- Planning and Zoning Webinar on Thursday this week. Clean up day happening May 4. By December of 2024 we have to have the remaining of the ARPA funds allocated for.

Assistant City Clerk Sarah Glass-36 Dogs were registered at our clinic. Future Vaccination Clinic will be held at the city office garage worked out great. CCR's will be going out in the mail this week.

City Superintendent James Perry –Received our free trees from Ryan Brady, going to get them planted so they can grow some then we will figure out their permanent home. Pool is now completed and in about 2 weeks we will begin filling it. He would like to cancel the CFAP, they are no long supplying the fish they used to. Water tower inspection-we are still on list. Will reach out to another company to get this completed. Water tower painting-would like to think about maybe painting the bottom part darker color as the mold and algae doesn't show.

Chief Darrin Banning- Would like to purchase new body cameras, they would cost about \$3,500/year with storage. Life span on cameras are 3-5 years but with the company they replace free, Axon.

Buhler Wellness Director Tegan Meadors-Approaching the summer, busy season. Activity guides with Buhler Pool and Rec have been out and they are collaborating on a lot together. All staff is hired. Wellness Center: Good monthly stats, up 10% from last year. We have 2 personal trainers. Becker Park keeps getting delayed due to other projects hopefully by end of week ground has broken.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS COMMENTS

A motion was made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Epp to adjourn. Voice vote – 3 yea, 0 nay - carried
Adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Glass, Assistant City Clerk

PRESENT:

City Clerk Sara Howard
City Superintendent James Perry
Chief Darrin Banning
Police Captain Anthony Baldwin
Buhler Wellness Director Tegan Meadors

GUESTS:

Brad Voth
Mr. and Mrs. John Knapp
Jackie Oglesby
Dustin Dick
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Wedel
Justine Foster
Jessica Vaile
Rod & Anita Hagman
Kent Hoskinson

Keith & Jan Pankratz
Ken Pauls
Angela Blaylott
DeeAnn & Jesus Romero
JC Keith
Emmie Boese-Eagle Radio