

**City of Bentley  
Council Meeting Minutes  
City Hall  
150 S. Wichita Ave**

**March 10, 2022**

**Time: 7:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Tracy Pribbenow called the meeting to order at 7:30pm, Pledge of Allegiance

**Council Members Present:** Mayor - Tracy Pribbenow, James Roberts, President -Toyia Bulla, Reba Lee, Chris Chippeaux, Stan Ybarra

**City Staff Present:** City Clerk Tamara Roberts, Darren Woodson- Public Works, Dan Bliss- Public Works, City Attorney Brad Jantz, Police Chief Tim Bryan

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**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

Toyia Bulla moved to approve the minutes from the February 10th, 2022 meeting, seconded by Reba Lee, passed 5-0. Toyia Bulla moved for the approval of the bills, seconded by Reba Lee, passed 5-0.

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**3. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Jeff Berger with 360 Alert introduced himself to Council and presented that he hopes to make Bentley a safer community through the use of his security system. Scott Griffith requested that the golf cart renewal fee be changed. He feels that the fee \$50 fee for the original permit is fine, but for the annual renewal of the permit it is too high.

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**4. OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Department Reports** – Darren Woodson presented that the lighting assessment still needs to be reviewed and discussed, the curb at Edwards is complete, all the door rollers in the bay have been replaced, the light at the north pump station is fixed, the lights in the council meeting room are replaced, and the broken ceiling tiles have been replaced. They still have the lights in the office to complete. Chris Chippeaux mentioned the rock on the outstanding projects list; Public Works needs it for the drive area in the back.

The Fire Department had a report in the packet which showed several calls throughout February and that they have added 3 more new volunteers to the roster. The Fire Department has an upcoming event on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 -- Extrication training with station 33 C shift.

Police Chief Tim Bryan presented the request of making Michael Haas a part time officer to be added to payroll. Per Brad Jantz it is up to the Council if he is to have full control of hiring his personnel without approval. Tracy Pribbenow stated she is fine with having Chief Bryan hire his own or promote his own personnel. James Roberts had some concerns and requested instead that the Council allow him to promote or hire within his department without Council approval, but not for terminations. Michael Haas has completed his training class and will receive pay for that class. Chief Tim Bryan stated that the Flock system is working, and it detected two stolen license plates passing through town, with both vehicles being subsequently stopped by Halstead Police.

Reba Lee reported that the park sprinkler system got turned on but there was a leak found that has been fixed. Reba Lee got the approval for the community garden. Also, the basketball goal is fixed and will be set back up next week. Reba Lee said they are doing an event called "Egg Your Yard" for Easter; the price depends on how many eggs they request; payments need to be made no later than April 14<sup>th</sup>.

Toyia Bulla motioned to accept the anonymous donation for the digging of the well for the Bentley Williams Park and the approval up to \$1,200.00 for Public Works to install the pump and connections, seconded by Chris Chippeaux, passed 5-0. Park and Recreation's next meeting is March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, at 7pm.

**2. Outstanding Items Report Update –**

The council reviewed the Budget for 2021, Toyia Bulla asked for department heads to review and get any needed detail from Tamara Roberts, City Clerk. Toyia Bulla stated that last fall Council requested Belinda Nelson to take the Park and Rec revenue and apply it against the Park and Rec expenses so that we could see the net cost. Toyia Bulla said that she didn't see these transfers done but will work with City Clerk Tamara Roberts to correct it.

Tracy Pribbenow said there are now tabs on the outstanding items spreadsheet for City Attorney items, and would like discussion on the prioritization of the items. Toyia Bulla stated that she felt the tax exemption work needs be a priority as money for the Senior Center is being held because of taxes that the County says are due on City property. Brad Jantz stated that ordinances need to be reviewed and updated.

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**5. NEW BUSINESS**

The City Council requested that Brad Jantz revise the ordinance to lower the renewal fee for golf carts to \$25.00 to bring to next meeting to make a motion to approve the revised ordinance. James Roberts moved to approve the Citywide Garage Sales to be held July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and Clean-up day August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, seconded by Chris Chippeaux, passed 5-0.

Public works will work with the ICI insurance property listing and Tamara Roberts and Toyia Bulla will work on the workers compensation for the 2022-2023 Pre-renewal Review for ICI Insurance.

Toyia Bulla moved to approve the donation of \$100.00 to Halstead High School Class of 2022 for After Prom, seconded by Reba Lee, passed 5-0.

Brad Jantz will get a resolution to present for permanent closure of Midland Street during business hours from Wichita Ave to the easement west of Midwest Cutting Solutions.

Brad Jantz presented a resolution for council to review and approve printing and records distribution costs for Bentley Police Department This will be tabled to the next meeting held March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to give Council members a chance to review it.

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**6. ADJOURN**

Chris Chippeaux moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:07pm., seconded by Stan Ybarra, passed 5-0