

**City of Benton  
City Council Meeting**

**January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The governing body of the City of Benton, Kansas met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Tyler Gottschalk presided. Members of the council were present as follows: Ross Schoneboom, Dan Claycamp, Curt Ghormley, Travis Swift and Cody Smith.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Consent Agenda**

Approved

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Motion made by Councilman Swift to remove the Flocks Camera System (item 6b) from the agenda. Seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Mayor Gottschalk called for discussion. Councilman Schoneboom suggested a modification of the motion to postpone the item instead of removing it. Council agreed. Motion made by Councilman Swift to modify the motion to postpone the Flocks Camera System to the February meeting. Seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 5-0

**Public Comment**

No public comments. For the Record, Mayor Gottschalk noted that public comment will be limited to approximately five minutes to preserve the continuity of the meeting agenda.

**Old Business**

Development/Drainage, Ryan McCune, ASM Engineering – PV3 drainage engineering study question and answers. Councilman Ghormley requested a more in-depth discussion at a workshop. Motion made by Councilman Ghormley to postpone the discussion until after a workshop. Seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 5-0. Council agreed, and Councilman Schoneboom stated that he would set up the workshop.

**New Business**

SW 20<sup>th</sup> and Kansas St. water shed. Motion made by Councilman Schoneboom that the Governing Body of the City of Benton accept SmithCon Bid to improve water shed at SW 20<sup>th</sup> and Kansas Street. Seconded by Councilman Smith. Council discussed. Agreement was reached there is a clear need for the project. Councilman Smith asked for clarification on the bidding process. Councilman Schoneboom commented that SmithCon has been the

concrete contractor for the city on numerous previous projects and that this project is an extension of the work on the south side of the car wash. Motion pass 5-0

### **Department Reports**

Mayor Gottschalk – Announced that our thoughts and prayers were with Joyce and Mark.

City Administrator – Presented year end summaries of all departments and announced that two new home permits had been issued for the southwest part of the original town.

Councilman Schoneboom highlighted the activities of the Zoning Department and the progress being made. Councilman Schoneboom requested bids for paving the park parking lot and made mention of the upcoming Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Engels answered questions pertaining to the makeup of the citizen input group associated with the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Engels requested some time in an upcoming workshop for the Council to clarify direction and to discuss project expenses within the 2023 Budget.

### **Open Discussion**

Councilman Schoneboom presented the current assignments for Points of Contract for the various function of the city and requested desired changes for the members. Additionally, Councilman Schoneboom discussed the need for goal/agenda setting for the coming year. Development, city boundary, CDP accomplishment were mentioned as possible items. Requested further discussion at the February meeting – no further discussion.

### **Executive Session**

None

### **Final Motions**

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.