

City of Quinter
Monday, July 25th, 2022 7:00PM
Regular Council Meeting
City Hall, 202 Gove Street

Governing Body/City Staff Roster

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| X | Jeremy Blackwill Mayor | | Daryl Havlas, Rec Director |
| X | Sue Machen, Council President | | Rodney Salyers, City Marshal |
| X | Kirk Zerr, Council Member | | Garret Press, Public Works Director |
| X | Dan Chupp, Council Member | | Lafe Gillespie, Fire Chief |
| | Giovani Caasi, Council Member | | Amy Crist, Pool Director |
| X | Matt Havlas, Council Member | | Michael Haldeman, Public Works |
| | Steve Hirsch, City Attorney | | David Stuenkel, Public Works |
| X | Greg Thomas, City Administrator | X | Marissa Haffner, A/P, Utility Clerk |

Meeting called to order by Mayor Blackwill at 7:00PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Regular Agenda:

MOTION: Council Member Zerr moves and Council President Machen seconds to approve the amended meeting agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Call to Public

Dwight Tummons

- Expressed concern of various property conditions in the city that are out of compliance with several upkeep/beautification/nuisance ordinances. The council in consensus to allow Rodney and Greg to follow up on these properties and discuss the actions needed with the property owners.

Guests

Jason Moses – Gove County Economic Development Director

- Gave the council an update and overview of the work he is doing regarding housing. This process includes a 5-step process that will take time to complete. So far, he is estimating that there are 60 houses county-wide that are idle and/or vacant.
- Discussed the new organization in Quinter, called Quinter Community Development. The purpose of this group is to obtain a 501-3C standing to be eligible for grant and/or funding opportunities for Quinter. Surrounding towns have established these organizations as well. Next meeting is July 17th at 6:30PM, anyone is welcome and encouraged to join.

Minutes

Approval of minutes from the regular meeting – July 11th, 2022

MOTION: Council Member Zerr moved, and Council Member Chupp seconded to approve the presented meeting minutes. Motion carried 3-0. Council Member Havlas abstained.

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Department Reports

Jeremy Blackwill – Fire & Rescue

- Commissioners expressed their concern to Greg and Jeremy about expenses coded to Rescue. Last year the Quinter volunteer firefighters responded about 350 times in total. 140 being Fire calls and 210 being Rescue calls.

New Business:

Pay Bills - new bills numbered 10219 to 10270, including all automatic payments, and excluding voided checks.

MOTION: Council Member Havlas moves and Council Member Chupp seconds to pay vouchers 10219 through 10270, and all listed automatic payments. Motion carries 4-0.

Symmetry Energy Solutions Renewal Agreement

No motions made. Tabled to next meeting.

Party in the Park Sponsorship

MOTION: Council Member Zerr moves Council President Machen to approve free swimming on August 19th & 20th and donating \$1000 of Transient Guest Tax Funds for the 2022 Party in the Park event. Motion carried 4-0.

CMB Permit for Farmhouse Cooking & Catering-Rhonda & Lance Coburn

MOTION: Council Member Zerr moves Council Member Havlas to approve the one-time CMB Permit for Rhonda & Lance Coburn at the Party in the Park event. Motion carried 3-1. Council Member Chupp opposed.

CMB Permit for Center Pivot-Steve Nicholson

MOTION: Council President Machen moves Council Member Zerr to approve the one-time CMB Permit for Steve Nicholson at the Party in the Park event. Motion carried 3-1. Council Member Chupp opposed.

Ordinance Violations

- Discussion about various property conditions in the City. Several are being brought to Council multiple times. Greg will discuss with Rodney to get these properties in compliance with city ordinances.

Old Business:

Cosider Revised Animal Ordinance

Brief discussion, no motions made. Greg is asked to draft a new ordinance to be discussed at the next meeting.

Administrator's Report:

Budget Timeline & Financials

- Greg submitted the notice to the county of the city's intent to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. We will have to hold a hearing for this, and a hearing for the proposed budget. These will happen on the same day, August 22nd.

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Executive Session:

None

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MOTION: Council President Machen moves and Council Member Havlas seconds to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries 4-0.

ATTEST:

Mayor, Jeremy Blackwill

Greg Thomas, City Administrator/Clerk