

The Britt City Council met in regular session on September 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mayor Arndorfer called the meeting to order with Council Persons Ostercamp, Gast, and Verbrugge answering roll call. Council person Aitchison and Luecht absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor.

Others in attendance: Curran McLaughlin, Shirley Smidt, Drew Sweers, Eric Newton, Damon Baker, Brian Riekens, Ashley Stewart, Dan Cummings, Earl Hill, Josh Eisenman, Doug Weiland, Travis Hagen, Stacey Swenson, Bryce Baker, Bennet Bruns, Gavin Becker

MOTION offered by Council person Verbrugge and seconded by Council person Gast rejecting the offer to purchase Parcel No. 2204010150 for \$1500 presented by Damon Baker. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Gast approving to close Main Ave S from 1st St SW to 2nd St SW for the Ron Eisenman BBQ on Saturday, September 23, 2017. Motion carried unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION by Council and City Attorney about the process of involuntary annexation property into the City.

MOTION offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving Earl Hill to proceed with the process to involuntary annex a portion of property to be determined by a subcommittee. Motion carried unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION by City Attorney, Earl Hill, on the process and steps that have been taken in the subdivision to be the Burgardt Commercial Park. Hill recommend to the Council that they hold off on all proceedings until some questions have been answered and plans reviewed by him.

MOTION offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge to table public hearing and all proceedings dealing with the commercial park to a special meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2017. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Ostercamp approving the quote to remove the remaining trees at the commercial park from Bill Diebler in the amount of \$9100. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Ostercamp approving the resignation of Officer Erik Hjelmeland and reducing the remaining contract amount of \$2246.80 by half to \$1123.40. Aye: Ostercamp, Gast; Naye: Verbrugge Motion carries.

MOTION offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Gast approving the hiring of Mark Anderson for the vacant officer position with an hourly rate 9%

less than Officer Harmon of \$19.55/hour and a 3% increase to \$20.14/hour after the completion of the academy. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving to post the new vacant officer position for hire. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving Chief Cummings to carry over 30 vacation hours to be used in the next 60 days. Motion carried unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 30-2017 offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Gast approving the Urban Renewal Report prepared by Shell Anderson. Roll call vote: Aye: Ostercamp, Gast, Verbrugge; Naye: none; Absent: Aitchison, Luecht

RESOLUTION 31-2017 offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving to establish continuing capital improvement reserve fund per public vote on the City Election Ballot for the purpose of road infrastructure, public safety equipment, public works vehicles, utility infrastructure improvements, etc., and certify taxes at the rate of 67.5 cents per thousand dollars of taxable value each year until terminated by election, by resolution adopted by the city council or by petition of eligible electors of the City of Britt. Roll call vote: Aye: Gast, Verbrugge, Ostercamp; Naye: none; Absent: Aitchison, Luecht

Discussion Items:

Signs, Trees, Combining trucks with rural fire department

MOTION by Council person Verbrugge and seconded by Council person Gast adjourning meeting. Motion carried unanimous vote.

____\s\ Ryan Arndorfer _____
Mayor

____\s\ Shell Anderson _____
City Clerk

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