

The Britt City Council met in regular session on October 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

Others in attendance: Vance Hagen, Shirley Smidt, Mike Boomgarden, Curran McLaughlin, Ashley Stewart, Jon Swenson, Brian Riekins, and Dan Cummings, Linda Friedow, Stacy Swenson

MOTION by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Gast approving the consent agenda. (Minutes, clerk's report, monthly warrants, agenda). Motion carried unanimous vote.

Department head reports were given.

PUBLIC HEARING on rezoning of 1st St NE (Original Lot 15 & Alley Adj on West, North to Lot 7 Blk 12) opened at 7:12PM

City Clerk noted that Derek Eng agreed to accept the offer of \$250 to establish a utilities easement on the alley if the property is rezoned to general commercial as approved by the zoning board.

Councilperson Ostercamp double checked with Public Works Director, Vance Hagen, that the residential property adjacent to 1st St NE tied into a different sewer line, which it does.

Property owner shall be responsible for all upkeep to the alley.

Public hearing closed at 7:14PM.

1ST READING of Ordinance No. 500, an ordinance amending the City Code of the City of Britt, Iowa, 2010 by changing the zoning district boundaries as shown on the official zoning map for Original Lot 15 & Alley Adj on West, North to Lot 7 Blk 12

RESOLUTION offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Gast approving the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 500. Roll call vote: Aye: Ostercamp, Aitchison, Gast, Luecht; Naye: Verbrugge

DISCUSSION by council and mayor on the excess black dirt from the commercial park street construction. City will haul some excess dirt to the tree dump for City use, haul some to fill in areas at Centennial Park, and will put the rest up for sale to the public.

DISCUSSION by council and mayor on the burning of the trees being removed from the commercial park. Vance Hagen to look into the cost of moving the trees to the tree dump to burn in a more isolated area of town.

DISCUSSION on trash container at Camp Park. Hagen believes we have an extra container from the previous order and will check before ordering new one.

RESOLUTION 32-2017 offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge adopting a driving record policy to implement yearly driving checks on City employees. Roll call vote: Aye: Aitchison, Gast, Verbrugge, Luecht, Ostercamp; Naye: none

RESOLUTION 33-2017 offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Aitchison adopting a disciplinary policy for Iowa Systems Violations to be implemented by the police department. Roll call vote: Aye: Gast, Verbrugge, Luecht, Ostercamp, Aitchison; Naye: none

MOTION offered by Council person Verbrugge and seconded by Council person Gast approving the hiring of Cody Schutjer 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 with the requirement of finishing his law enforcement degree in December 2017. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge setting the citywide Trick or Treat night to Tuesday, October 31, 2017 from 5:00-7:00PM. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION by Council person Aitchison and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving the resignation of the City Administrator/Clerk, Shell Anderson, effective October 26, 2017. Motion carried unanimous vote.

MOTION by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving clerk to place ads to hire for new City Administrator/Clerk to take applications until October 24, 2017. Motion carried unanimous vote.

Discussion Items:

Sign Update, Capital Project Levy, Annexation, Trees

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

____\s\ Ryan Arndorfer_____
Mayor

____\s\ Shell Anderson_____
City Clerk

Minutes are not official until approved by Council members.