

**CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Jacob LaRue presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor LaRue and Commissioners Kevin Berthot, Sam Budreau, Phillip Chaney, and Tim Fairchild.

Staff Present: Todd Newman, City Manager; Ryan Follmer, Assistant City Manager; David Brake, City Attorney; Tina Bailey, City Clerk; and Cory Kepley, Chief Finance Officer.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Commissioner Tim Fairchild.

**AGENDA**

The Agenda was approved on motion by Commissioner Berthot, seconded by Commissioner Fairchild. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda is used to approve non-controversial or routine matters by a single motion and vote. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- Minutes – City Commission – July 11, 2022
- Warrant Register dated July 13, 2022
- Warrant Register dated July 20, 2022
- Review Various Board and Committee Minutes and Reports

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Budreau, to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Bernie Neyer, 319 South Lafayette thanked the Chanute Police Department and commented on recent theft of signs. He also commented on the City's Building Code.

Jane Brophy, Chanute Chamber of Commerce & Office of Tourism Executive Director reported on Chamber & Tourism Activities.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Todd Newman gave his report on City activities and operations. Items reported on included an update on the August 1, 2022 Budget Work Session, age restrictions at City's Aquatic Center, the Fiber Project, the Ball Complex Project, the Golf Course Bridge Project, the Downtown Restroom Project, and the Chip & Seal Project.

City Manager Newman announced that the City hired Ryan Ortiz as our new Sports Director.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **APPOINT ONE MEMBER TO THE CHANUTE LAND BANK BOARD**

Currently the Chanute Land Bank Board has one board vacancy that shall be appointed by the City Commission.

The land bank board of trustees shall consist of a five (5) member board. Three (3) of the members shall be appointed by the City Commission and up to two (2) City Commissioners can be appointed. Two (2) members shall be appointed by the Chanute Regional Development Authority. Consider appointment to the Chanute Land Bank Board. No board applications received to date.

General discussion was made.

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Mayor LaRue, to appoint Commissioner Sam Budreau to the Chanute Land Bank Board. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

### **SIGNAGE REQUEST – 205 NORTH PLUMMER**

The City has received a request from "In the Wind Acres Riding Stable" owner Tammy Ports for "Horse Crossing Signs" at 205 North Plummer. Ms. Ports is concerned for the safety of the horses and riders and hopes that signs will encourage drivers to yield and give them the right of way.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman.

Motion made by Commissioner Berthot, seconded by Commissioner Fairchild, to approve the request for "Horse Crossing Signs" at 205 North Plummer. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

### **PRESENTATION OF 2021 AUDIT**

Neil Phillips with Jarred, Gilmore and Phillips, PA presented the 2021 Audit to the Commission. He reported that the Audit did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that are considered to be material weaknesses.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by Mr. Phillips, City Manager Todd Newman, and City Attorney David Brake.

Motion made by Commissioner Berthot, seconded by Commissioner Fairchild, to adopt the 2021 Audit as presented. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**PROJECT UPDATE – 21<sup>ST</sup> & PLUMMER INTERSECTION**

The City of Chanute was awarded a Cost-Share grant from the Kansas Department of Transportation in the Fall of 2021. The Cost-Share grant was in the amount of \$780,000.00 for repairs at the 21st and Plummer intersection. These repairs will consist of curb and gutter, turning lanes, traffic signals, etc. The Mayor signed off on the KDOT Agreement on March 14, 2022, allowing City Staff to move forward with the official request.

TranSystems representative Shawn Turner provided an update on the project.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by Mr. Turner, City Manager Todd Newman, and City Attorney David Brake.

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 102 SOUTH GARFIELD**

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 1810 SOUTH ASHBY**

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 1022 SOUTH FOREST**

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 1101 NORTH KANSAS**

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 16 NORTH WESTERN**

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 315 NORTH KANSAS**

**PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 502 NORTH WASHINGTON**

Motion made by Commissioner Budreau, seconded by Commissioner Berthot, to adopt resolution declaring that the above properties are in violation of Chanute Municipal Codes and authorizing abatement of certain nuisances as presented. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

The Resolutions were assigned: No. 2022-181, No. 2022-182, No. 2022-183, No. 2022-184, No. 2022-185, No. 2022-186, and No. 2022-187.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Budreau reported that he has received concerns that a pedestrian crosswalk is need between Wal-Mart and the new ball fields.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman.

Commissioner Budreau commented on the Main Street Rail Road Crossing and the Austin Bridge located at Santa Fe Park.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman.

Commissioner Chaney commented on the proposed detour for the 21<sup>st</sup> & Plummer Intersection Project.

Commissioner Berthot commented on the City's Building Code.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman and Assistant City Manager Ryan Follmer.

Mayor Jacob LaRue encouraged everyone to be mindful of the heat.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Budreau, to adjourn.  
Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Tina L Bailey, CMC  
City Clerk