

# Town of Savanna Council Meeting

Nov 12, 2024 at 7pm

## Savanna Public Works Authority

Meeting called to Order by Coy

Roll Call: Coy, Rhonda, Nathan and Robbye

Guests: Police Chief Matt Hines, Fire Chief Jeff Jones, SPWA Supervisor Coty Dedmon, Mike from George Kern CPA Office and Savanna Resident Ruby.

1. Motion by Coy to Approve Minutes of October 15, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rhonda; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
2. Motion by Coy to Approve Current Claims, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rhonda; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
3. George M. Kern C.P.A Office – Mike shared the report. Everything is in the positive. Coy asked about the garbage rates and budget. Matt shared with the CPA and council the current rates the city is charged compared to with residents are paying and the city to paying more than what is being charged to residents, so CPA recommends an increase. Motion by Coy to approve Financial Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rhonda; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
4. Heritage Waste Contract – The current contract was located, so another contract is not due until August 2026 which we have received a copy of that, but no action until 2026. No Action Needed.
5. Coty shared council the Certification for the Project which also includes the cost which the state is supposed to reimburse once the project is completed. Mike asked about the timeframe and stated if needed the city can use the amount in Outlay to cover the cost until the city is reimbursed. Project still has a lot of action that is needed until it was started for example the land hasn't been purchased to expand, so still a long ways until it is physically started. No Action Needed.

6. Coty said doing good other than a city worker did hit a vehicle while mowing causing damage. Coty did receive two quotes and the council agreed it is best to just pay for the damages out right than going through insurance. Motion by Coy to Pay the Invoice to Repair the vehicle damaged, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan;

Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes

7. Water Adjustments – None

8. New Business – None

9. Public Discussions – None

Motion to Adjourn by Coy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes

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*Kati Inagert*

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

*Coy Holt*

*Nathan Inagert*

*Rhonda Hounth*

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3. George M. Kern C.P.A Office – Mike read the report. Revenues are good. Outlay can be used for HWY Project. Doing Good. CD is coming due, bank is running two special 13 month at 4% and 7 month at 4.25%, so council agreed go with better rate which is the 7 month. Motion by Coy to Financial Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan – Yes
4. Holiday Stipend – Council reviewed what was approved last year which was \$500.00, there was a suggestion to do more for those who had been employed longer but it was declined, so city workers will get \$500.00 Stipend Pay on Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Coy to Approve \$500.00 Stipend, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
5. Travel of America – Owner did not attend. Remove from Agenda by Coy.
6. Grants – School is working on getting another grant that would pay to have a center build that could be used by all residents and also serve as a storm shelter. Discussed other grants that the city is working with the school on that would improve fields, solar panels for buildings and other improvements for both the school and town. No Action Needed.

7. Coy shared that the some of the police officer have started working on getting lights put up at the park and its looking really good but still have more to add including inflatables. Coy shared last Thursday there was a pep alley bonfire done at the city park for the last scheduled HS Football game which is a good success and had couple officers present as well. Everyone seemed to have a good time. Did have a neighbor from 1<sup>st</sup> Street ask about the event, he was not mad but shared that he works for a company who would love back events like this, they have many resources that could help sponsor stuff like that. So that was nice information and what the city likes to hear how local business can support events specially those giving students good clean fun and support. No Action Needed.
8. Recent and/or Upcoming Events – Friday the HS Football team will be going to Playoff game and the city first responders have been asked to give an escort on hwy up to the turnpike and they gladly accepted. Coy was asked to put together a competitive team from savanna at the Boys and Girls Club grades 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Coy said they would be using the City Jersey Tops but will return them back to the city and the city expects the players to be on good behavior since they would be representing the town. They do not know the cost yet, but the Holts and other family has offered to sponsor / split the cost so the players could play for free. It was asked if the town wanted to host a Christmas Event maybe a tree contest, hot chocolate, movie? Coy said to plan something and we will discuss it. No Action Needed.
9. Surplus Equipment – Tabled by Coy
10. Card Processing Software – Matt handed the contract to the attorney and asked that they review it then the council can discuss and/or act on it next month. Tabled by Coy.
11. PD – Matt shared monthly report and said that one officer is out of CLEET but will have to return for one class but is cleared to work. PD has the newest officer enrolled for next CLEET. Railroad project is moving along but

we were asked about monitoring so researching that, but real close to starting the physical part of the project. No Action Needed.

12. Jeff said going good, but Fire does have one tanker down, but has a guy coming down to look at it. Kiowa will support if needed until it is fixed. Jeff thanked the council for the purchase of the new tablets, they are working great and very helpful. The new siren is in and should be put up next month. No Action Needed.

13. New Business; none

14. Public Business; none

Motion to Adjourn by Coy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy- Yes Rhonda- Yes Nathan- Yes

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*Kathleen Ogut*

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*Rhonda Oberlin*