BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION 8-3-2022

City of Burlington Governing Body met in Regular Session at City Hall's address, 1013 N. 4th Street, Burlington, Kansas, at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 3, 2022. Mayor Stan Luke called the meeting to order.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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ROLL CALL: X Stan Luke, Ma	lyor		
Council Members present:			
Jerilyn Curtiss	🖂 Maxi Berryman	Lewis Lenard (President of Council)	
George Shove	🛛 Thomas P. Tschantz	🖂 Martin Ernst	
Superintendents Present:			
Kevin Boyce (Parks)	Alan Schneider (Electric)	Mark Davidson (Street)	
Doug Jones (Chief of Police)	Danny Hawkins (Water/Wastewa	ater)	
Also Present:			
Anne Brown (City Clerk)	🔀 Mary Mader (Admi	nistrative Assistant)	
Philip Wright (City Attorney)	Jimmy Hugunin (Zoning/Grants Clerk)		
Kerri Weltha (Deputy City Cler	rk)		
Media Present: Mark Petterson (Coffey County Republican)		

VISITORS: Paul Abendroth, Susan Gilmore, Chris Henderson, Wellington Tejada, Doug Feldhausen, Chuck Torres

AGENDA:

Council Member Ernst, "I move to approve the agenda as modified." Council Member Lenard, "Second." Motion unanimously carried, 6:0.

<u>MINUTES 7/20/2022</u>: Mayor Luke, "You have before you the draft minutes of our regular session of July 20, 2022. Are there any additions or corrections?"

Council Member Shove, "I move to approve the draft minutes of July 20, 2022, as presented." Council Member Tschantz, "Second." Motion unanimously carried, 6:0.

APPOINTMENT: NRC - Update

The NRC had a PowerPoint presentation to accompany the discussion. Chris Henderson, "We are part of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I am Chris Henderson. I am the senior resident out at Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Station. Wellington Tejada is a regional base inspector/security inspector that is helping me out, while John Vera, who is our currently assigned inspector, is out doing an acting senior stint at Calloway. Susan Gilmore is our site admin assistant. She is here to make sure we stay out of trouble and keeps us running, and keeps the office moving smoothly. We will go ahead and do a quick outline. We will go over the mission—our overall objective of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and give you kind of a history overview of the organization. Then give you a quick oversite of how we actually monitor and provide an oversite of Wolf Creek of the reactor oversite process to give you a quick assessment of plant performance. Then we will open up for questions.

"So, our mission, in a nutshell, we are here to ensure that Wolf Creek operates to ensure the safety of the public and the environment. That is simplified down for that mission statement. Things that we actually regulate commercial reactors, research, and test reactors, and we actually also certify new reactors. So, one of the new reactors that just got certified was the new CL. I think that was a couple of days ago. Nuclear materials as fuel and radioactive materials for medical use, industrial, and academic use, and then on the nuclear waste side its transportation, storage, and disposal of that material and the decommissioning of nuclear facilities. Then onto what Mr. Tajadas main focus is, is the physical security of the plant itself to protect from sabotage, whether it's internal or external organizations.

"So, things we don't do. We don't regulate nuclear weapons; that falls underneath GOE and the Department of Defense. U.S. Navy has its own reactor oversight. NASA takes care of their stuff. We don't own or operate any reactors; we just provide oversight for commercial use. Then we don't do anything with the reactor material, such as naturally occurring radon, x-rays, or materials produced in accelerators. That is all handled by states and other federal agencies. Kansas is actually an agreement state. They provide most of the oversite for that portion of that type of stuff.

"The Nuclear Regulatory Commission came about around 1974 through the Energy Organization Act. Prior to that, it was the Atomic Energy Commission that provided the regulatory oversight. There were some issues with them doing the promoting nuclear industry and providing direct oversites, so in 1974, we were established as an independent agency. We are headed by five commissioners.

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"They are staggered five years terms appointed by the president, affirmed by the senate, and there are no more than three from one party on the commission at any one time. Then the president actually nominates or picks who is going to be the chairman for us. We are about 2600 people roughly scattered throughout the United States. This is actually showing our regional breakdown. Region one is the Northeast corridor, region two covers the Southeast of the U.S., region three is the upper Midwest, and region four is everything else. We actually go from the Mississippi all the way out towards Guam, is what we cover. Each one of those red dots is the regional office. Our headquarters office is up in Rockville, Maryland, north of the district. Then we have the technical training center that all of us go to for training also in Chattanooga, Tennessee. I had to go out there for training before I could become a resident inspector when I started out in 2012. This just shows where all of our sites are at currently for our licensed sites at this point.

"Just to give you a breakdown of what we do as residents. We live in the area; we drive to the site every day, we go through their security, we make observations on how they handle their security coming in and out, we attend Wolf Creek meetings, we'll walk down the plant, we do independent assessments of inspection ranging from equipment used to mitigate events, security, inspectors will come out and do that. Then we will have our discussions with anything that we find of issues of concern; we will have discussions with the site. Once we are done for the quarter, we will issue our inspection report, which is available to the public. The reactor oversite process is how we regulate or oversee how Wolf Creek's performance is. Underneath the process, we look at a couple of things; we look at performance indicators; one of the big ones is reactor trips, unplanned down powers, and how equipment is performing, things of that sort. We have PI's for public safety and emergency preparedness. Security has their PI's also that they take a look at. Then anything that we find that comes into the inspection finding.

"Basically, it breaks down into cornerstones. Initiating events are basically events that occurred, reactor trips, unplanned down powers; the mitigating system is looking at just the equipment used to mitigate those events. Then barrier integrity is making sure that none of that stuff, if something were to happen, would get outside to the public and to the environment. Public radiation system and emergency preparedness look at how the stations are ensuring the public's safety through radiation safety. If there is an event, how well do they prepare for the emergency itself and then ensure the health of the public safety? Then the last cornerstone is security.

"We take those and look at it; we have a color-coding system. We start with green which is a very, very low safety significant issue. As we go up in color from green to red, the more significant it is. What actually happens is as they get significant issues crop up, whether it's inspection findings or performance indicators, they move up in the columns. Each column they move up, they get more and more inspections from us, there are more discussions with us, there is more engagement from our senior managers. I have had experience working at a column four plant, and I tell you we had inspections every quarter there to confirm that they were doing their actions to get recovered back to column one. Then my branch chief at the time was coming out every single month along with quarterly visits from our senior managers. That increases and goes through normally a licensed response column one plant has about 3500 hours. As you go up, those numbers start going up for direct inspection.

"For Wolf Creek, they had green performance indicators and green inspection findings throughout the year last year, so they are in licensed response column one. The quick thing is our main objective as residents are we are actually here for emergency response. If something would happen, we are the first people to respond from the agency. We are the eyes and ears of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. We will be on-site, and we will have communication with our headquarters and regional office and then provide them information independent of the station and provide an independent assessment. That is our primary focus, along with inspection, is emergency response. We have already had inspectors respond to hurricanes that came last year that came up through New Orleans with Waterford stuff. We sent people out from the region to help the resident staff so they could take care of their families and stuff. Everything we do is open to the public at NRC.gov. Procedures and members from the commission to the staff and back and forth. The only thing that really is not available publicly is security-related information because of the sensitivity of it. I will go ahead and open it up to any questions."

Council Member Lenard, "I am just kind of curious with a lot of companies downsizing and you've done your security measures to reduce labor, and you have the power pool that cycles the plant, has that changed your approach on how you look at when the plant trips or labor to support the safety and protection of the public?" Chris Henderson, "So, the biggest thing is the cornerstone of the ROP is how the station identifies the issues and corrects those issues. Sometimes we will take a look at what is the manning at the station that you're at. You're right; a lot of stations have started downsizing security forces, engineers, and experienced levels changed also in the industry. We used to be pretty experienced; now, we have gone to the other end of the spectrum. We have really young and new people coming in, and people are getting ready to retire, and in my age group, there is hardly anything. So, we will take a look at that. We start seeing things cropping up, but we sample everything we look at, so we start seeing why is more stuff being put off going forward then we will take a look at it. We will take a look at what their manning is. There are certain requirements that they have to have. They have to have so many people in operations to be able to man the crews and meet minimum staffing. Hopefully, that answers your question." Council Member Lenard, "Yes, thank you."

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Mayor Luke, "Is your group the one I get the phone call from when you are doing a drill?" Chris Henderson, "So, what happens is the station is responsible to notify the state and locals and us. Them calling me or Wellington or John Vera does not constitute as notification of the NRC. They have to call our headquarters office. We have phones manned up there 24 hours a day, seven days a week through all holidays, for if there is an emergency event. They have one hour to notify us. Fifteen minutes to notify, once they declare the event, the state and local officials. The state is there to do that. What we make sure of is everything they're saying is correct. Are they following their procedures; is everything from the plant responding as we had expected it to? We will have a whole bunch of people, not just the residents looking at it, because they have direct communication from the plant up to the headquarters office. They have a direct line up there where we see all the plant parameters from each of the stations. So, you'll be communicating mostly with the plant. There will probably be communications with us because we are considered the government experts in operating reactors. I will not be the only one here. If it ever gets to the point where it gets pretty severe, there will be additional people here to help us out."

Mayor Luke, "We had the same thing at Wolf Creek and Fermi 2. Do you guys trade back and forth on staffing during outage time?" Chris Henderson, "So, I will cover the outage here at Wolf Creek. We do have other inspectors that will come in from the region four office to help us out. They will cover things like component inspections; it's called an in-service inspection. I will look at that. We have radiation protection that will come do their inspections at that time. The majority of the outage inspections are done by resident staff. There are specialties that are done that they bring inspectors in for." Mayor Luke, "Alright, thank you." Chris Henderson, "Thank you."

APPOINTMENT: Cancer Support Group

Carla Hoch, "Good evening, everybody. Thank you for allowing me to come to the council meeting and speak to you all on behalf of the Coffey County Cancer Support Group. We are getting ready for our 8th annual golf tournament. The golf tournament is to raise funds for individuals in Coffey County and surrounding areas that are undergoing cancer treatments. We have two major money raisers, and those are our golf tournament and our soup lunch. As part of our golf tournament, which is going to be held on August 20th at the Rock Creek Country Club, we go around to all the local businesses and ask if they would like to sponsor a hole or team or make a donation. We also sell these tribute signs in honor of or in memory of someone who has fought the battle or lost the battle. We have different levels. I don't know if you want me to go into all of that detail. I did leave the information here. I can answer any questions you want. Basically, since 2008 we have provided approximately \$450,000 to assist individuals undergoing cancer treatments, and the number is growing every day."

Mayor Luke, "When is your soup dinner?" Carla Hoch, "We haven't had a soup dinner since 2019, I think, right before COVID hit. We are planning one for October 11. Then we are trying to get back on track for the March date. So, we will have the golf tournament in August, and the soup lunch is in March. This year we are having one in October if COVID lets us." Mayor Luke, "So the auction as well?" Carla Hoch, "The auction, yes. As part of the golf tournament, we also collect door prizes and sell chances on that to draw tickets for winners on that." Mayor Luke, "Okay." Carla Hoch, "I'll answer any questions anyone might have. Are you all familiar with our group? That is always a good question. We are surprised how many people don't know about us but unless you have been touched by it."

Council Member Lenard, "I move to approve the city to donate \$350 to the Coffey County Cancer Support Group. Council Member Curtiss, "I second the motion."

Council Member Lenard, "So there was discussion on the value because \$350 is what we did last year. We have \$1000 in the budget, and Martin asked about that." Council Member Ernst, "Me personally, I would like to see us donate \$500 to it. That's my opinion if we have the money to donate. I think it's a good cause." Council Member Curtiss, "I have no problem with that."

Council Member Lenard, "I move to approve the city to donate \$500 to the Coffey County Cancer Support group." Council Member Curtiss, "I second the motion."

Carla Hoch, "Can I add something I just thought of? You asked about the soup lunch; we always have the tribute signs on display at the golf course, most people don't come out and look at them, but we have them displayed where people can walk through and see their names on them and stuff. We are going to post them down at Kelley Park, if weather permits us, so people that come to the soup lunch in October, they will be able to go over and walk through those signs also and see the names." Council Member Curtiss, "And those are \$25?" Carla Hoch, "Yes, \$25 each, and they say in honor of someone, the purple ones, who fought and still fighting, and the yellow ones are in memory of someone who lost their battle. So, if you are not busy, come down on October 11th and see the signs in Kelley Park."

Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 6:0.

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Carla Hoch, "Thank you very much on behalf of the Cancer Support Group." Mayor Luke, "Thank you."

APPOINTMENT: American Legion Fundraiser

Doug Feldhausen, "I think I have met most of you at least one time. I'm Doug Feldhausen. I am the Post Commander of the American Legion Post here in town. I would like to discuss a fundraising activity that we would like to do on October 29th. This is a cover of a booklet that we received from the company of casinopartieskc.com. We would like to bring in this company on October 29th. We were originally going to ask for the 4-H building, but circumstances changed. Our next option is the Kelley building on October 29th for the evening activity for mouse racing. We would like to bring them in, and it would be an evening affair. We will probably open the doors at 5:00 p.m., and racing will start at 7:00 p.m., and it will last until about 10:00 p.m. We are wanting the use of full facilities including the kitchen because we are cooking or at least having some food available for consumption and sales. We will also be looking at providing alcoholic beverages for this activity. We discussed it at the last post-meeting, and we were discussing whether to go ahead and purchase a one-day temporary permit for selling alcohol, or I'm also a member of the duck's unlimited chapter; we just give it away for donation, therefore not selling it. We will have it available for consumption. We discussed this at the last meeting, and we decided that we would do the donation route. We will not be selling alcohol but providing availability of it."

Council Member Ernst, "This is for Kelley Hall on October 29th?" Council Member Berryman, "Is this an adultsonly function?" Doug Feldhausen, "It will be a primarily adult function. We wouldn't discourage bringing younger ones, but we will not be providing alcohol to them; we will be checking IDs on that if we do give anything away. It is a fun activity to watch. Tom, myself, and two other members of the legion went down to Chanute in June. They had this mouse racing activity. I don't remember seeing any younger people there, but of course, they also have the active bar post there in Chanute. It is a fairly fun activity to watch. I wouldn't suspect there would be any young ones." Council Member Berryman, "Thank you." Council Member Curtiss, "What do they have to do if they want to bring alcohol in there?" City Clerk Brown, "They will have to get the \$15 alcohol permit, and there is also a \$100 deposit for that just to make sure everything is cleaned up properly. Then also, like we have done with the rabbit shows for the others bringing animals in, Kevin is requiring another \$100 deposit which is refundable after the event."

Doug Feldhausen, "When they bring them in, they bring them in a terrarium with 36 white mice. They stay in the terrarium except for when they get brought out, as you can see in the picture. The racetrack is a horizontal track set up, and they will put six mice, one mouse on each track, then there is a little gate that they will open up. They will squirt air or a little mister to get the mice running and the first one to get down to the end wins the race. Also, another activity we will be bringing in with this is called a mouse roulette wheel. It's like a 42-inch wheel with 00 through 38 on it, you'll spin it, and they will have a mouse in a small cage in the middle of it; they will lift it up, and as the wheel spins down, whichever number the mouse exits is the winner. Besides the mouse races and the roulette, we have a few raffles available that we will be performing for fundraising activities. The riders requested to do one of the raffle activities for their fundraising, and I will be talking with the sons and auxiliary to see if we can get them involved also." Mayor Luke, "What is the governing body's pleasure?"

Council Member Curtiss, "I move to approve the mouse race fundraiser in the Kelley Hall Building with a deposit of \$200, \$15 permit fee, and to waive the reservation fees, on October 29th from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00p.m." Council Member Ernst, "I second the motion." Hearing no further discussion, Mayor Luke called for a vote. Motion unanimously carried, 6:0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Torres, "My name is Chuck Torres. I am from Olpe, Kansas. I am here to introduce myself to the city council. I have been in Olpe about 20 years now. Back in June, I decided to run for the Kansas House of Representatives 76th district, which includes all of Coffey County. I was born and raised in Emporia and graduated from Pittsburg State with a degree in nursing back in 1979 and until recently worked as a registered nurse until a recent retirement. I decided to end that retirement after just a couple of weeks to make a run for the house. I feel that choice is important for people; people need to have a choice. I want to be that choice. I am familiar, somewhat, with Burlington. I hope to get to know it much better in the coming weeks. Because of my experience in healthcare, I am a proponent in expanding Medicaid. I think we can help out about 150,000 to 200,000 Kansans that are stuck, so to speak. They make too much money to qualify for help, and they don't make enough before private health insurance.

"We are in a sound fiscal state right now, and I think it's time for us to do that. I think it will help the hospitals in the 76th district, especially Coffey County Hospital would benefit from that. It would inject a billion dollars into the economy. It would help create jobs, and it would help retain people to the area and help those Kansans who need our help right now. I am also passionate about education. I think education needs to continue to be fully funded. As much as I can, I will support that as long as we can fiscally keep them fully funded. I think that is important for the towns in the district. In addition to Olpe and Burlington, there is Osage City, Lebo, Gridley, and Hartford, and those schools are important to those towns.

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"They are the glue that keeps these communities together. Not to speak of being a necessary foundation piece for our future educating our students. We have family farmers and ranchers, a lot of them in the area that are struggling. There are a lot of farms across the nation that are closing because they can't compete with corporate agriculture. There is a monopoly, and we need to try to figure out some ways to level the playing field. I appreciate the time you have given me. Emporia only gave me two minutes." Mayor Luke, "We give you five, and you have 20 more seconds." Chuck Torrez, "Please consider me, and I am ready to work hard and serve you and give you a choice. Thank you."

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT: DISTRIBUTION Update

<u>General</u>: Electric personnel have been doing many line locates, customer service requests, tree trimming, shop maintenance, preventative line maintenance, street light maintenance, and vehicle and equipment maintenance.

<u>New Service</u>: Superintendent Schneider, "We installed two new electric services to new homes. One was one on north 16th street by the country club. That one is complete. There is one in the 1000 block of Penobscot, waiting on a customer. There was a little bit of outflow when they poured the pad, and we are waiting for them to give us a path up to our meter loop. We are ready to pull the wire as soon as we can do that. In the 400 block of Neosho, there is a new business going in on the south side; we did add a meter and service wire to this."

<u>Structure Fire Damages</u>: Superintendent Schneider, "After the last council because of the structure fire the two garages it did melt triplex service wire going in four homes. We did replace that. The transformer pole was right under the structure; it just boiled that transformer hotter than heck. We got the last customer in service at 1:10 a.m.; then we went home roughly 1:30 a.m."

<u>*Maintenance*</u>: Superintendent Schneider, "We did maintenance on a capacitor bank on south 6th street just south of the courthouse and the elementary school."

<u>Outage/Call-out</u>: Superintendent Schneider, "We worked a call-out because of a tree limb. We also worked an outage last Saturday the 27th in the 300 block of Kennebec, and that was due to a squirrel."

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT: PRODUCTION Update

<u>General</u>: Power plant personnel have been performing normal power plant and equipment maintenance, over current relay maintenance, plant reports, DC power supply, and substation maintenance.

Reports: Superintendent Schneider, "We are still completing plant reports."

<u>Generator #2 Maintenance</u>: Superintendent Schneider, "The men are still cleaning on the air intake of Generator #2. It is ready for service, but we are just doing maintenance on that."

<u>Generator Project:</u> Superintendent Schneider, "The crew is still working. They about have all the forms secured and tied to the floor. They are still working on the set of forms that holds the outboard bearing on the outboard shaft at the back end of the generator. They are suffering just like everybody else is with the supply chain, but they are making progress."

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<u>Generator Project</u>: Council Member Ernst, "Are they still on schedule?" Superintendent Schneider, "I don't think they are going to make mid-September. I just don't believe that is going to happen. Larry is still trying to source a couple of things. I will be happy to update you as soon as he can give me a new projected date. I don't suspect it's going to drag out for a long time, but with some of the delays he is having have pushed us back a little bit." Council Member Ernst, "Thank you." Superintendent Schneider, "He won't leave until it's right. He has a crew dedicated here working hard every day, and it's that much hotter in the basement. There is no draft or windows down there. They are coming in at 5:00 a.m. and working until 3:00 p.m. generally right now with as hot as it is."

WATER AND WASTEWATER: Distribution Update

<u>General</u>: Personnel have been doing the normal duties: line locates, work orders, reading meters, meter rereads, cleaning sewer lift stations, maintenance on trucks and equipment, attending safety meetings, customer call-outs, and concerns.

<u>New Service:</u> Superintendent Hawkins, "We did get two new water services installed on Merrimac Street; that is completed."

<u>AMI Meters:</u> Superintendent Hawkins, "We have been going around installing some of the water meter inventory. We got another 30 meters in so the guys are working on getting those in the ground as well. We are still waiting on the rest of them to get here, though."

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<u>Flushing Fire Hydrants</u>: Superintendent Hawkins, "We have been flushing fire hydrants. This time of year, we have to keep our chlorine residuals up, so we make sure we flush out all the dead ends. You will be seeing us doing more of that again."

<u>Legislature Meeting</u>: Superintendent Hawkins, "I attended a meeting that was a legislature update that the mayor gave to myself and Rural Water District #3, Chris Withers, their board member, and an engineer. They are talking about that for the industry up north."

WATER AND WASTEWATER: Production Update

General: Superintendent Hawkins, "The plant is running well."

Equipment Maintenance: Superintendent Hawkins, "We ended up getting the reactor gearbox that we have been waiting on. It has been about five months, but we finally got it and in. We received our parts in for the sludge press also. We will be getting that put together here shortly as well."

<u>Water Treatment Chemical Supply Issues</u>: Superintendent Hawkins, "The chemicals at the water treatment plant, I would like to thank Eric Boone from the City of Yates Center. He has been helping us because the chemicals are getting tough to come by. We had to run down and get soda ash and carbon. They have been very gracious with us with that. I've contacted Randy Dye with Brenntag Southwest and asked him what are the projected chemicals that are getting tougher to get and what are they looking at as far as time wise. He said that their warehouses, just like all the other vendors, they are getting less and less. So, I am ordering more further out to make sure we have ample amounts of chemicals to treat the water. Randy told me that if we order today and it takes three to four months for it to get here, then they will hold the price at that time. They won't charge us later for a higher price."

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<u>Water Treatment Chemical Supply Issues</u>: Council Member Curtiss, "Are we okay for three to four months with chemicals?" Superintendent Hawkins, "We are good. It is just that I am not going to take the chance on us not. So, I am ordering four to six months out to make sure that we do not run into a problem. The issue we have, and with Eric calling me and asking different things, is yes, we can go to a different vendor, but when you are a new customer for the vendor, then you are thrown to the back of the bus. It is getting to the point where it is getting concerning. The chemicals that are coming are being delayed; they are on ships, they can't truck them, they can't use train stations; it is alarming. We are looking at buying more bulk and having it on standby if we need it. We have to have the chemicals to treat the water plant. We have no choice. We just need to order enough of it in to have it available when we need it. I am just trying to be proactive and order enough in advance. In fact, for the City of Yates Center, they told them to go ahead and order a six-month supply all at one time. Brenntag has already told them that there is no way they have that much supply on hand. They are just going to get it as it comes."

Council Member Ernst, "Is that something that we can do also?" Superintendent Hawkins, "I am already doing that. I am already preparing for that. Just like with our bulk storage with our polymers and stuff that, we can get 5000 gallons, ferric chloride 5000 gallons, which is beneficial to us because they don't have that capability there, but we do. It is just when it comes to carbon and soda ash and sodium sulfite, which are bagged products, I can order enough pallets in advance and put them in storage and have them sitting there. Plus, the costs are still escalating too." Council Member Lenard, "Part of the problem with that is all the utilities are doing the same thing now with constraints. Transformers are out over a year or several years, and if you get a fire or a freeze, then it just gets worse."

<u>New Tax</u>: Council Member Lenard, "I had a comment; also, Danny, I sent a letter to Anne today, and she can get you a copy of it, but there is a new—it's called the infrastructure investment and jobs act. It is a super fund excise tax that just went into effect July 1. So, there are going to be additional taxes on a group of chemicals; I think there are 40 or so. You'll continue to see those commodities escalate. It's anything that is nonagricultural." Superintendent Hawkins, "I appreciate that."

STREET DEPARTMENT: Update

<u>General</u>: Personnel have been doing the normal duties: cleaning ditches, sweeping curb and gutter, fixing potholes and ruts, blading rock roads, repairing and re-rocking alleys, tree trimming, fixing and replacing street signs, and truck and equipment maintenance.

<u>Culvert Maintenance</u>: Superintendent Davidson, "We have patched culvert ends that had street trees growing along those. We cut them and treated them with Tordon."

<u>Culvert Extensions</u>: Superintendent Davidson, "We installed a new culvert extension at 3^{rd} and Potomac. After we did the overlay, we noticed there was quite a drop-off basically for Kevin's department to mow. So, we installed a piece of 30-foot culvert to eliminate that. Also, on the south side of Potomac, that corner had a drop-off, so we went in and put a culvert extension on that to extend out the radius and make it a little easier for turning into the fair."

<u>Street Improvements Project 2022:</u> Superintendent Davidson, "Killough construction is back in town. They came in yesterday and started laying hot mix today. So, we have been following them around building up alleys and driveways of the rock streets."

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<u>School Zone Painting</u>: Superintendent Davidson, "With school starting, we went from Cross to Niagara painting the crosswalks and changed a few school signs. Hopefully, it will get people aware of where the crosswalks are."

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Update

General: Normal Duties.

<u>Cadet</u>: Chief Jones, "Our cadet, Jordan Heartpence, has embarked on his military adventure as of Monday. Folks took him down to Oklahoma City; he is going to the National Guard. When he gets done with BASIC and AIT, he will be attending Barton County Community College working on paramedics. We will see him intermittently after the next few months."

<u>Activities/ Cases:</u> Chief Jones, "We are working with a couple of individuals that were called in as suicidal subjects. 308 Neosho, Sunday night, I believe, we had juveniles on the roof again. They got down safely, had a little come to Jesus meeting with the officer, and the officer called their parents and made them come pick them up. They got the full treatment on that one. We have had the usual domestics and arrests for DUIs. We are working on a harassment case with one individual that has been harassing two different female victims at two different locations. I believe Philip will be seeing him shortly."

<u>Staff Illness</u>: Chief Jones, "The garage and carport fire we had at the last council meeting; the next morning, I had an officer test positive for COVID. The following morning, Friday morning, I had another officer test positive for COVID, which put us two short for the fair. We also had three firefighters go down as well, apparently."

<u>Coffev County Fair:</u> Chief Jones, "We got through the fair with only minor incidents. We ejected one, he will be an incoming freshman, and he was ejected from the fair. He was attempting to defend the honor of his sister and chose to use his fists to do it. The Sheriff's Office did deal with a couple of arrests. It was out in the grass over by the ballfield, which is the area that they cover. After the demo derby Saturday night, there were a couple of mothers that were upset about their children who were driving in the derby."

City Court: Chief Jones, "We have city court next week."

<u>CVSA Training</u>: Chief Jones, "Brian Siedschlag has completed his CVSA training. We already have him tagged for his first round of interviews, which will be the individual that we are working the harassment case on."

STO & UPOC Books: Chief Jones, "Next meeting, I believe we will see the STO and UPOC ordinances up for approval. We have been working with the judge and with Mary. The ordinances that will be presented and recommendations for adoption will be a lot cleaner and shorter because everything that we had been doing in previous years is now all covered in the STO and UPOC books. So, there is no reason to have redundant ordinances on the city side. We are going to get some stuff off the books that we don't need to have on the books anymore."

<u>Nuisance: Properties/Vehicles Update:</u> Chief Jones, "We have some time ticking on a couple of properties. Their 45 days will be up basically in the middle of August. We have to give them the 45 days and give them the time to see if they are actually going to get anything accomplished. We are going to be keeping an eye on them."

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

<u>Coffey County Fair – Beer Garden</u>: Council Member Curtiss, "Beer Garden, any problems?" Chief Jones, "No, no problems with it. They didn't sell very much. So, I would imagine that there would be a discussion at the next fair board meeting on whether it was worth the effort put into it or not. I don't know, but we didn't have any problems."

<u>Nuisance: Properties/Vehicles Update:</u> Council Member Berryman, "I have some questions, Doug. When you give a notice, whether it is a ten-day or whatever it is, when it is given to the person in their hand or do they have to sign for it if they are out of the area, where are the copies of the notices filed?" Chief Jones, "With my office." Council Member Berryman, "Are they filed by address, person, date, or how are they filed?" Chief Jones, "Generally, they are filed by address, then in each individual file is a copy of each letter that was served and when it was served." Council Member Berryman, "So, you could follow the history of an address, correct?" Chief Jones, "Yes." Council Member Berryman, "Another question is when somebody is going to demolish a property, do they have to give a date of completion?" Chief Jones, "It depends on if they are doing it as an individual property owner; the only regulations on having a date of completion is if the city condemns it and we open it up to a contractor, then they do have to have a completion date as a part of the bid."

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Council Member Berryman, "So, the blue trailer on Allegheny, is that a private person doing it? They didn't go through the city?" Chief Jones, "No, that did not go through the city. Are you talking about the one on 8th and Alleghany?" Council Member Berryman, "Yes, the blue one." Chief Jones, "Yes, that is private. We have not reached a point where we had to go through condemnation proceedings on that." Council Member Berryman, "And I see they removed the red car from the back." Chief Jones, "And it sold again." Council Member Berryman, "That's what I had heard again." Chief Jones, "And yes, the red Tahoe has been removed."

Council Member Berryman, "And how about the one on Des Moines, the burned-off property." Chief Jones, "I have been busy enough that I haven't caught up with Mike to talk to him about it yet." Council Member Berryman, "So, we are nowhere further." Chief Jones, "I don't have any new information." Paul Abendroth, "They are waiting on Schmidt." Chief Jones, "Okay, do you know what his timeline might be?" Paul Abendroth, "No, whenever he gets around to it." Council Member Berryman, "Another question, have you been on Miami Street lately?"

Chief Jones, "Where at on Miami?" Council Member Berryman, "313, there is a refrigerator that is out on the front porch with a door on it. It also has a stove out there with a door on it. Across the street, someone put a washing machine with a door. I know the code only restricts refrigerators with doors. I would like to recommend to the council that the code or the ordinance, whatever it is, be amended to include any appliance that is put outside that has a door, even down to a microwave; the door has to be removed, and it has to be off the property in two weeks. Because driving some of these areas, there are appliances with doors on them, they have been out there for a long time and if they are not removed within two weeks, hit the person with a daily fine."

Council Member Tschantz, "I know that washer has been there just today or yesterday." Council Member Berryman, "Yeah, it just came, but the other stuff has been there." Council Member Tschantz, "The trailer that is between the trailer on the corner and the house next to it." Council Member Berryman, "Again, it has a door on it. There was a seven-year-old boy in Texas last week in his own house; he died in a washing machine. I think he was playing hide and seek, his parents reported him missing, he was in the washing machine dead, and we have so many appliances, so that is my recommendation to the council is to amend that code or ordinance, that any appliance that goes out with a door, the door needs to be removed."

Council Member Tschantz, "Well, I did notice they had a trailer out there with a bunch of hay bales on it. Why couldn't they have taken the washer out to the disposal site?" Council Member Berryman, "Well, see, that's my thing too. If a company delivers your washer and dryer usually, they will remove the old one. If you buy it from a friend, the friend has to get it there somehow; why can't they take the one that they are replacing? Why does it have to get dumped outside? That is my recommendation that we change the ordinance." Council Member Tschantz, "It does need to be changed." Council Member Berryman, "So, what do we have to do?" Chief Jones, "Start with Philip." Attorney Wright, "Is that what everyone wants to do?" Council Member Ernst, "I think it sounds like we are micromanaging people too much." Council Member Berryman, "Until somebody dies."

Council Member Tschantz, "The refrigerator that she is talking about has been sitting like that for four, five, six months. He has been working on the place, and the refrigerator has been sitting on the front porch." Council Member Berryman, "With the door on it and you have washing machines out there and ovens. What is easier than pulling down an oven door and a child climbing in or an animal climbing in?" Chief Jones, "You have an ordinance with specifics, I believe, says a door that automatically locks and cannot be opened from the inside." Council Member Berryman, "But you don't know what is going to happen once somebody gets into something. What can shift? What can happen?" Chief Jones, "I can only work with what you all are giving me to work with." Council Member Berryman, "That's why I'm saying it. All there is in that ordinance is just refrigerator doors. That's just my thought."

Council Member Berryman, "This question is probably for you and Jimmy. Where the old Huff's nursery used to be and that house, what's the history on any action taken against that property?" Chief Jones, "None that I am aware of." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "There has been family there, and it sold a couple of times. They are supposed to be remodeling the inside." Council Member Berryman, "But what about all the overgrowth there? What about the house? So, it has been ignored for years?" Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "It is agricultural property." Council Member Berryman, "Is that different in enforcing the codes?" Chief Jones, "Yes." Council Member Berryman, "How is it different?" Chief Jones, "It is exempt from the residential codes; it's agricultural." Council Member Berryman, "What is the definition of agriculture? I don't mean to be stupid, but I am a city girl." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "It can be used for farm ground, livestock, greenhouses, and stuff like that. That is what it is zoned as. Someone can go in there and plant soybeans on it." Council Member Berryman, "So, it can be overgrown and be a hazard until something is done?" Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "It doesn't fall under any of the residential zoning." Council Member Berryman, "Okay, "Thank you."

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PARKS DEPARTMENT: Update

General: Personnel have been doing the normal duties: cleaning public restrooms and buildings, tree trimming, mowing and spraying weeds, watering flowers and trees, building, and equipment maintenance.

Mowing: Superintendent Boyce, "The mowing has slowed down, but the watering of flowers and trees has picked up."

<u>Coffey County Fair</u>: Superintendent Boyce, "I have worked with the fair board and the Coffey County extension through the fair. We got the fairgrounds all cleaned up afterward."

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Council Member Curtiss, "Your flowers still look nice." Superintendent Boyce, "Thank you, we are now watering twice a day."

FINANCE: Claims Ordinance & Payroll Ordinance

a.	Claims Ordinance	2022-15	\$ 587,105.56
b.	Payroll Ordinance	2022-16	\$ 96,063.28
		TOTAL	\$ 683,168.84

<u>CLAIMS 2022-15</u>: Council Member Lenard moved to approve City of Burlington Claims Ordinance 2022-15 for the amount of \$587,105.56 for payment of city bills. Council Member Curtiss gave the second. City Clerk Brown, "The larger expenses we have tonight are AB Creative \$106,425.50, Brenntag \$9,728.50, Killough Construction \$374,068.20, Stifel Nicolaus and Company \$15,000.00." Hearing no additional discussion, Mayor Luke instructed City Clerk Brown to poll Council. All votes were in favor. Mayor Luke declared, "Claims Ordinance 2022-15 passed unanimously, 6:0."

PAYROLL 2022-16: Council Member Curtiss moved to approve City of Burlington Payroll Ordinance 2022-16 in the amount of \$96,063.28, as presented. Council Member Ernst gave the second. Hearing no discussion, Mayor Luke instructed City Clerk Brown to poll Council for a vote. All votes were in favor. Mayor Luke declared, "Payroll Ordinance 2022-16 passed unanimously, 6:0."

PLANNING & ZONING: Update

General: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "Normal duties."

<u>Nuisance: Grass/Weeds</u>: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "With the rain, I am back to getting on to people with their mowing. Ditches have been the most frequent calls. There are some people out there who don't think that they need to do the ditch, but the ditch is part of what they are responsible for. Ditches and alleyways, if you have a grass alley behind your house, then you are responsible for mowing half of that alley. If you drive around, you will see a lot of people have been spraying their ditches and alleys. I do have a ten-day letter that will be going out on Friday to the parent company of CenturyLink. Their laydown yard that they have over on Potomac, it has taken a long time to find out who that company is and to find an address on them. I think we found something; we are going to send it and see what happens. I have made calls and don't get anywhere calling them. I have been working on this for probably about two weeks."

Census Reporting: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "I updated the census report."

Floodplain Map: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "Then I have had several questions and calls and people coming in on the new floodplain map. We did accept that by ordinance on the new floodplain map. I don't have the new map. The best that I can do when somebody comes in to ask is refer to the old map. I have to use the best available option out there. The map that is online now that I gave the address to a couple of meetings ago is still the preliminary map. I don't have the current version. I am still going off of the old map. I have had some people upset because their lenders are calling them and requesting that they get flood insurance. We are not doing it. Some people think the city is calling people, but we are not doing that. They are looking at maps, as lenders always do. They call; they have to do what their lender says. No matter what my old map says, they are still going to have to deal with that on the lender side."

Council Member Curtiss, "So is that state, is that what is holding this up, is it the state or what?" Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "I think what they are doing is they are still going county by county or section by section. My understanding was when they mapped this; they did the whole state. Then it kind of went in order. I think they did Shawnee County and different counties and had them get their ordinances going, and now I think they are going in groups. I haven't heard a date on when this new map will be out. The sooner, the better." Council Member Curtiss, "I don't understand why that's a hold up if they have it done." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "You would think if you go to Neosho Headwaters Lake like I gave you, it would be there; it's not. If you look at that, just assume if it's in the red, you've been added, if it's in the green, you've been removed, and yellow didn't change." Council Member Curtiss, "Okay."

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<u>Nuisance: Grass/Weeds</u>: Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "Your question about the ag. We have several properties that are ag, and they are the same way. If they want to throw cattle on there, that's what they can do." Council Member Berryman, "There is a property on 12th street; I am not sure what the address is. As you are going out of town on the right-hand side before 16th, is that agricultural property?" Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "Is it on the north or---." Council Member Berryman, "Don't ask me north or south; it's on the right-hand side as you are going out the city towards Emporia." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "That is outside of city limits." Council Member Curtiss, "Yes, that's county." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "The majority of those are. It's weird because there might be a house that is in and then one that's not." Council Member Berryman, "So, the city limits stop at 12th street?" Mayor Luke, "The city limits are not a straight line." Council Member Berryman, "Oh, okay."

Mayor Luke, "You'll go down a block down two out three down two. It's all a matter of how it was annexed in at the time that it became that." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "Yes, there were people out there who wanted sewer and some that didn't, so the ones that wanted it were annexed in." Chief Jones, "If you are out 12th on the right-hand side, there is a big white two-story house that is vacant abandoned--." Council Member Berryman, "With a couple of silos?" Chief Jones, "Yes, that's outside the city limits." Zoning Clerk Hugunin, "And it just recently sold." Council Member Curtiss, "Oh, good." Superintendent Boyce," The sign wasn't up very long." Mayor Luke, "Less than a week, I think."

OTHER COMMITTEE OR COUNCIL BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS: None

LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Update

<u>General</u>: Attorney Wright, "Normal duties, and I don't have any other updates unless someone has questions for me."

Council Member Curtiss, "You said something last time about the property that we were going to condemn, and you said maybe you could go against the heirs." Chief Jones, "It was in this paper." Attorney Wright, "I gave Mary the language to put in the paper, and we are going to move forward." Council Member Curtiss, "Okay, thank you."

CITY CLERK: Update

<u>General</u>: City Hall Staff have been busy with customers paying utility bills, many calls and inquiries, preparing work orders, vouchers for bill paying, payroll, and council meeting minutes. For July, we will be sending \$1,939.87 in delinquent accounts to the Kansas set-off program for collections.

Reports: City Clerk Brown, "I have handed out to you the COVID-19 sales tax and utility revenue report."

<u> 6^{ch} Street Bridge – TA Application</u>: City Clerk Brown, "I received an email yesterday on the TA applications. This has to do with our application for the 6^{th} street bridge. List of recommended awards is in the hands of the secretary to review and approve; it does not specify that ours was one of them. It just says they have been sent. They have scheduled an event, we don't have a date for it, those awards will be announced at that event. I just thought I'd give you an update, but that is the only notification on it, and I haven't heard anything else."

REPORT BY CITY OFFICERS:

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

<u>Chips for America Program</u>: Mayor Luke, "I wanted to give you an update on what's called the Chips for America Program, which Coffey County is part of that potential location for one of their major plants. The senate and the house have both signed the house and senate bills. The president has said that he would sign that. They are basically out after this Friday until sometime in September. We don't anticipate actually getting anything, including possibly what needs to be in the application that everybody has to make an application for, until probably around the first of the year. In September and October, half of the house won't be there because they are up for reelection. We don't anticipate anything before the actual election in November. Then it will take a while to get all the new people sworn in at the first of the year, and who knows how fast they are going to work from there.

"If we end up with it, it's an excess of one billion dollars. The city's role will be supplying water basically, and potential housing will be needed in the area. I have been working with Danny and the water district, contacts at the state level, the senate and the house, heads of the committees that we will be working with, and KDHE and EPA with respect to taking water out of the river if the true numbers are there when we get to the end of this that is going to be a big water permit. We don't have a definition on some things yet, so there is really not a whole lot that we can give other than this is where it sits. There was a meeting with the Federal Department of Commerce, and things are looking good, but who knows between now and when it will happen. That is kind of where that one sits."

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Work Session: Mayor Luke, "I mentioned a couple of three meetings or so ago about a work session. Is there any time that we need to have a work session, and if so, what do we need to put on the agenda? My recommendation if we do one would be the second Wednesday of the month. I think the county improvement program is the 4th Wednesday of the month, and our council is the 1st and 3rd. If we are going to stick with Wednesdays, the second Wednesday is the only Wednesday left unless we have five Wednesdays in the month. So, be thinking about what we need to have on one, and we can be looking for the second week of September for that. Bring your ideas with you at our next meeting, and we will get that scheduled if we have enough items to discuss."

<u>Coffey County Improvement Project</u>: Council Member Curtiss, "I forgot to mention the county improvement project meeting last week; Stan went with me. You didn't go again, anyway, nothing was accomplished."

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

GENERAL: City Debt - How to fund projects	GAAP - Infrastructure Capitalization			
Expense Tracking on Projects	City/County Grant Funds – Discussion on Matched Funding			
Budget 2023	Council Discussions on Evaluations, Succession Planning, etc.			
ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT: Power Plant - Additional Generation	RICE NESHAP Compliance			
PARKS DEPARTMENT: Events in Parks (Updates)				
LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Municipal Court Updates	Misc. Legal - Documents, Cases, Contracts, etc.			
PLANNING AND ZONING	Quarterly Construction Valuation Report			
Work with Advantage Computers and City Departments to improve Cyber Security	Prepare Easements for any City-owned property without one			
Nuisance Grass: Work with PD	Permits - Building/Zoning/etc.			
FIRM Floodplain Map Changes – Updates	Burlington Corporate Boundary Updates on Map (Work with State)			
POLICE DEPARTMENT Nuisances (Work with Zoning Clerk)	Department Activities and Cases			
Voice Stress Analyzer Project				
STREET DEPARTMENT: Concrete St. Repairs/Free State Ct. Replacement/Repair	Street improvement Plan, Paving Gravel Streets, Crack Filling,			
Pavement Management System/Asset Management System	Street Improvements 2022 Asphalt Project			
WATER & WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT: Sensus Water Meter Replace	ement Sewer Lagoons - Analysis (KRWA/funds for dredging)			
Sewer Lagoon Maintenance/ Sewer Liftstations –Flushing	Sewer Liftstations –Flushing Rags, etc.			

Mayor Luke declared the meeting adjourned.

Approved by Governing Body and signed by Anne C. Brown, City Clerk