

CITY OF KREBS
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 15, 2023

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Tommy Ray Walker
2. ROLL CALL by W. Kay Scott, City Treasurer. Tommy Walker – present, David Bailey- present, Jason Wagnon- present, Connie Poole- present, Dan Heathcock- present.
3. PRAYER led by Dan Heathcock and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Mayor Walker
4. DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 18, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. Connie Poole made a motion to approve the minutes. David Bailey seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. Dan Heathcock- yes, Connie Poole-yes, Jason Wagnon- yes, David Bailey- yes. Motion passed
5. DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 1, 2023 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. Connie Poole made a motion to approve the minutes. Jason Wagnon seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. David Bailey -yes, Jason Wagnon-yes, Connie Poole-yes, Dan Heathcock-yes. Motion passed.
6. DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 8, 2023 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. Jason Wagnon made a motion to approve the minutes. Connie Poole seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. Dan Heathcock-yes, Connie Poole-yes, Jason Wagnon-yes, David Bailey-yes. Motion passed.
7. DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE CLAIMS. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. David Bailey made a motion to approve the claims. Jason Wagnon seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. David Bailey-yes, Jason Wagnon-yes, Connie Poole-yes, Dan Heathcock-yes. Motion passed.
8. REVIEW CITY OF KREBS FINANCIAL STATEMENT WITH MIKE KERN. Mr. Kern requested council to turn to Page 2 of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the One Month Ended on July 31, 2023. Revenues for July, our first month of the fiscal year, were \$195,228.90. Expenses were \$254,575.78. Mr. Kerns wants to draw attention to several items; “we spent \$59,000 more than we took in but there were several one-time purchases. Just within the police department alone, there were two different annual program payments that totaled \$10,000. They had capital outlay of \$20,000. The fire department had capital outlay of \$21,000. The Emergency Management had one-time capital outlay of \$9,248. The street department had to buy \$16,000 worth of mosquito spray a onetime payment then a payment of \$11,000 for street barn.” W. Kay Scott clarified that the \$16,000 was for the mosquito sprayer (the equipment). Mr. Kerns states there were \$87,000 worth of one-time

expenditures that are not going to happen every month, "We have some catching up to do but all those things were budgeted and we had to buy them."

9. BUSINESS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED. NONE

10. BUSINESS NOT PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED.

A. DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DAVID BURNETT TO THE KREBS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH A PROBATIONARY PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR.

Fire Chief Jim Cortassa addressed the council. Chief Cortassa is speaking on behalf of Mr. Burnett who graciously wants to join the fire department. Mayor Walker asked if Mr. Burnett had ever been on a fire department before? Chief Cortassa and David Burnett both responded no. He is a maintenance man and lives in Krebs. Chief Cortassa states this will make 11 full time firemen and 3 reserve which is still down some but they are trying to recruit. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. Jason Wagnon made the motion to approve. David Bailey seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. Dan Heathcock-yes, Connie Poole-yes, David Bailey-yes, Jason Wagnon-yes. Motion passed

B. DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR ACCOUNTANT SERVICES PERFORMED BY GEORGE M KERN, CPA.

Mr. Kerns states the rate has gone up \$50.00 but that he has not charged the \$150.00 per extra meetings rate for the last few months and is not going to. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. David Bailey made the motion to approve the contract. Connie Poole seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. Dan Heathcock- yes, Connie Poole- yes, Jason Heathcock- yes, David Bailey- yes. Motion passed.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL AND MAYOR. Mayor Walker states the mosquito truck is spraying two times a week at this time but will do more if need be.

Nikki Cook project director from AARP addressed the council about the City of Krebs becoming a host agency for senior citizens (age 55 and up) that live in Pittsburg County that are trying to reenter the work force. This program would be an internship to help build their confidence and skills. It is a four-year program but can be started any time after Nikki performs a safety check and can be ended at any time. The participants would work anywhere from 20 to 40 hours per week depending on the project budget. There would be NO cost to the City of Krebs. This program is funded through the Department of Labor and Easter Seals. The Department of Labor governs the program. These seniors would be paid a \$7.25 per hour stipend by the Department of Labor. This is a Title 5 grant so therefore it will not affect their social security, disability or food stamps. The participants are not allowed to be paid anything including bonus by the host city. The state would also be responsible for any worker comp issues. If they were to drive a vehicle in said internship capacity, the City of Krebs would be responsible for vehicle insurance and they are not allowed any passengers. Any specific certifications required for specific jobs would fall under the City of Krebs responsibility also. The participants do anything from clerical, cleaning, lawn care and more. There can be up to five participants per entity.

12. ADJOURN TO KUA. Mayor Walker asked for a motion. Connie Poole made the motion to adjourn. Jason Wagnon seconded the motion. Mayor Walker called for a vote. Dan Heathcock- yes, Connie Poole- yes, Jason Wagnon- yes, David Bailey- yes. Motion passed to adjourn to KUA