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The August 13, 2018 regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Julie Lyon.

Council members Cheryl Blanton, Ryan Clark, Dennis Dye, Andy Holmes and Nicholas Minks were present for roll call. City Staff present was Utility Clerk Turner. There were 6 guests present.

Mayor Lyon led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

### **CONSENT AGENDA AND MINUTES**

Council member Dye made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the July 23, 2018 regular council meeting, August 2, 2018 special meeting and appropriation order 14-18; Council Member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

#14-18	
W&L Utility	\$89,054.45
General	\$32,718.10
Ritz Theatre	\$1,779.42
Sewage Disposal	\$2,908.19
Airport	\$158.72
Solid Waste Refuse	\$11,265.75
Swimming Pool Construction Fund	\$219,591.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT PAID</b>	<b>\$357,475.63</b>

### **COMMUNICATION**

There was no communication.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Vickie Dreiling with Adams, Brown, Beran & Ball to deliver the 2017 Audit Report. Council member Clark made a motion to approve the 2017 Audit; Council member Dye seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Bob Sallee was present to discuss the BNSF depot. There was discussion regarding requirements of a fence if the depot were to stay, cost of moving and other thoughts for the buildings use. At this time, there is nothing to confirm that demolition plans for the depot have stopped, but there is work being done from other areas to try and preserve it.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Fire Chief Sanders made a recommendation for a volunteer fire fighter appointment. Council member Minks made a motion to approve the appointment of Derrick Ferguson to the volunteer fire department; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Richard Pope requested permission to remove his sidewalk without replacing it. There was also discussion regarding the curb being broken and the homeowner's responsibility for repair. It was the consensus of the Council to table this until Richard could be present with more information.

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- There was discussion regarding part-time police officers. Council reviewed an updated policy regarding training requirements for part-time officers. It was the consensus of the Council to continue allowing the Police Chief the authority to hire part-time officers at his discretion.
  - There was discussion regarding a pay increase for new officers after graduation from the academy. Council member Blanton made a motion to increase salary by \$0.75/hr for Officer Bevan and Officer Smith; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
  - Police Chief Mattice recommended Brian Kidd for a code enforcement officer. There was discussion regarding distance he would be driving, not paying mileage, limiting hours, etc. It was the consensus of the Council to table hiring until further details could be discussed.
  - Council member Holmes made a motion to approve a payment to Carrothers Construction Company in the amount of \$219,591.00; Council member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
  - P.L.A.Y. requested a revised CMB license as the annual glow run was moved to Oktoberfest weekend. Council member Minks made a motion to approve the revised CMB license for P.L.A.Y. to hold a beer garden the October 5 – 6<sup>th</sup>; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
  - City Administrator Downing presented details regarding an updated Verizon Wireless lease agreement that was discussed with City Attorney Knappenberger which would allow the City to request additional lease revenue, she proposed \$400/month with a review in three years. Currently, the City had been receiving around \$200/year. Council member Clark made a motion to proceed with the request of \$400/month for a revised lease with Verizon Wireless; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

## **STAFF COMMENTS**

City Attorney Knappenberger reminded the Council of the upcoming League of Kansas Municipality Conference, policy committees and stated changes to the CMB policy may come out the end of this year. Utility Clerk Turner informed the Council of a meet and greet hot dog feed for the Police Department the following Saturday. There were no other staff comments.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council member Minks asked about the status of the items being sold on PurpleWave, Utility Clerk Turner informed him that the originally scheduled date did not work and they have yet to set a new date for posting the items. Mayor Lyon discussed the pilot vehicles/semi drivers that are staying in town and the potential parking issue that they are facing. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to allow Larabee Mill Road to be closed for parking if needed, also allowing access to any City property available that they may fit. Mayor Lyon also discussed the land bank that Fort Scott created which was published in the Kansas magazine and the benefits that came with it. There was further discussion regarding the City and potentially moving forward with researching and implementing a land bank program. There were no other Council comments.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment was heard.

## **ADJOURN**

With no further business before the Council – Council member Clark made a motion to adjourn at 8:55 P.M.; Council member Dye seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 - 0.

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Julie Lyon, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jami Downing, City Administrator

*\*A draft copy of minutes from the August 27, 2018 regular Council meeting is available in the City office\**