
The April 8, 2019 regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Julie Lyon.

Council members Cheryl Blanton, Ryan Clark, Andy Holmes and Nicholas Minks were present for roll call. City Staff present was City Attorney Knappenberger and City Administrator Downing. There were 9 guests present.

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

PUBLIC HEARING – 212 E Broadway

Council opened the public hearing for 212 E Broadway. Cassidy Mawhirter was present and discussed work that has been completed to the property as well as plans for future work to be finished. There was discussion regarding the property and the porch being made structurally sound. Council closed the public hearing. Council member Minks made a motion to review again at the June 10th regular Council meeting with the expectation of the porch being finished (structurally sound and painting started); Council member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Executive session for non-elect personnel for personnel matter was added to new business.

CONSENT AGENDA AND MINUTES

Council member Blanton made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the March 25, 2019 regular council meeting and appropriation ordinance 6-19; Council Member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0.

#6-19

W&L Utility	\$123,597.74
General	\$34,475.03
Ritz Theatre	\$3,131.19
Library	\$682.21
Solid Waste Refuse	\$11,158.50
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID	\$173,044.67

COMMUNICATION

There was no communication.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was heard.

OLD BUSINESS

- Three sealed bids for the John Deere mower were reviewed. Council member Clark made a motion to accept \$280.00 for the John Deere mower; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Ordinance #1054 establishing a Landbank was presented for final review. There was mixed discussion regarding funding, mowing and property maintenance. City Attorney Knappenberger informed the Council that those decisions could be made at a later date as the City was not committed

to provide any services to the Landbank. Council member Holmes made a motion to approve Ordinance #1054; Council member Minks seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0.

- There was discussion regarding slurry seal vs chip seal maintenance and pricing. It was the consensus of the Council to table until the next regular Council meeting when additional quotes could be received.
- Large Animal Ordinance was discussed again with review of the proposed amendments. It was the consensus of the Council to leave the amendments as presented and table the Ordinance to the next regular Council meeting as well as publish a summary in the paper with the proposed changes.
- City Administrator asked the Council if they were still willing to consider demolition assistance with the old Drama Guild property. It was the consensus of the Council to table and request additional bids.

NEW BUSINESS

- Thomas McElroy from Audubon of Kansas was present to inform the Council of a Crane Festival that would be taking place in the area from November 1st – 3rd. He informed the Council that 50-200 people could be expected to visit the area.
- Council discussed the airport hangar leases and the possibility of increasing rates to cover the insurance premium. It was the consensus of the Council to table and review a break down of the insurance premium at a later Council meeting.
- Council member Minks made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elect personnel for personnel matter with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger and City Administrator Downing until 8:25; Council member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:25. Officer Smith submitted his resignation due to moving back home to take a job in Grant County and assist his family and thank the City for his opportunity to become an officer and working with him. Council member Minks made a motion to accept Officer Smiths resignation; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0.
- Council member Minks made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elect personnel for property acquisition with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger and City Administrator Downing until 8:35; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:35 with no action taken.
- Council member Minks made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elect personnel for application review with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger and City Administrator Downing until 8:40; Council member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:40. Council member Minks made a motion to hire Candi Teichman as the swimming pool manager for the 2019 season; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0.

STAFF COMMENTS

City Administrator Downing discussed the swimming pool fill dates and clean-up week recap and future alternatives. There were no other staff comments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council member Minks discussed a sprayer, dilapidated property on South Union, buzzards on the water tower and a gun range. Mayor Lyon discussed the upcoming town hall meeting, Mayors Conference and Council/Staff comment revisions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was heard.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the Council – Council member Blanton made a motion to adjourn at 8:57 P.M.; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 - 0.

Julie Lyon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jami Downing, City Administrator