
The October 15, 2019 regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Julie Lyon.

Council members Cheryl Blanton, Ryan Clark, Andy Holmes, Nicholas Minks and Ginger Sanders were present for roll call. City Staff present was City Administrator Downing. There were 3 guests present.

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA AND MINUTES

Council member Blanton made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the September 23, 2019 regular council meeting, the October 1, 2019 special council meeting, the October 2, 2019 special council meeting, and appropriation ordinance 18-19 in the amount of \$325,482.30; Council Member Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

COMMUNICATION

There were no communications.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

- Council discussed the repairs that have been completed on the property at 212 E. Broadway. It was the consensus of the Council to review again at the first regular meeting in November with Cassidy Mawhirter present.

NEW BUSINESS

- City Administrator Downing informed the Council of a request to remove Janet Bronson from the Housing Authority Board and appoint Rebecca Dean in her place. Council member Blanton made a motion to appoint Rebecca Dean to the Housing Authority Board; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- City Administrator Downing informed the Council of a request for funds from the Library in the amount of \$5,000.00. Council member Clark made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the Nora E. Larabee Library; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- City Administrator Downing asked the council to discuss which properties from the tax sale were to be demoed. It was the consensus of the Council to take down all dilapidated houses on the purchased properties, except the white house with the North Main properties as it may be able to be renovated if approved for the grant that was recently applied for.
- City Administrator Downing discussed the street sweeper and informed the Council of needing to rebuild or replace the motor or if needed, replace the street sweeper.
- Interim Police Chief McAbee was introduced and discussed the police department with the Council. He discussed policy that was being worked on, equipment updates and vehicles, including selling the motorcycle and possibly purchasing two additional patrol vehicles in the future. Council member

Minks made a motion to approve sell of the motorcycle to Twister City Harley for \$7,000.00; Council member Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

- City Administrator Downing informed the Council that Carter Cross would be joining the Army. Council member Holmes made a motion to accept the resignation of Carter Cross effective October 31, 2019; Council member Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- City Administrator Downing asked for permission to advertise for two full-time positions for the City crew. Council member Holmes made a motion to approve the ad posting for two full-time positions; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
- Council member Holmes made a motion to recess into executive session for application review with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger, City Administrator Downing and Interim Police Chief McAbee until 8:00; Council member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:00. Council member Minks made a motion to recess back into executive session for application review with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger, City Administrator Downing and Interim Police Chief McAbee until 8:10; Council member Sanders seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:10. Council member Sanders made a motion to recess back into executive session for application review with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger, City Administrator Downing and Interim Police Chief McAbee until 8:15; Council member Blanton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:15 with no action taken.
- Council member Minks made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elect personnel for personnel matter with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger, City Administrator Downing and Interim Police Chief McAbee until 8:30; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:30 with no action taken.
- Council member Minks made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elect personnel for personnel matter with Council, Mayor, City Attorney Knappenberger, City Administrator Downing and Interim Police Chief McAbee until 8:40; Council member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:40. Council member Sanders made a motion to accept the resignation of Cody Bevan effective October 31, 2019 or at the designation of employee or employer; Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

STAFF COMMENTS

City Attorney Knappenberger informed the Council of the City Attorney meeting he attended the previous Friday and discussed new case law that is being studied. City Administrator Downing informed the Council of the shop local program, trunk-or-treat on Main street and the swimming pool repairs. There were no other staff comments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council member Minks discussed the vac truck being used for catch basins and repairs to catch basins. Mayor Lyon informed the Council that herself and Council member Holmes attended the recent League of Kansas Municipalities conference where they received good information and she was also able to get a list of residents that were due back money from the Kansas State Treasurer. There were no other Council comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the Council – Council member Clark made a motion to adjourn 8:52 P.M.; Council member Minks seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 - 0.

Julie Lyon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jami Downing, City Administrator