

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes

Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:30 pm

MEETING LOCATION: 520 N. Commercial Ave

(Council Chambers)

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1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

Mayor Bryan Chapman opened the Council Meeting in the Council Chambers and Facebook Live at 7:30 pm. Mayor Chapman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Members present Kirby Stucky, Monty Leonard, Brenda DeHaven

Council Member absent Randi Tolin, Carol Truesdell

Others present Joseph Turner, City Administrator; Janise Enterkin, City Clerk; Brad Jantz, City Attorney; Brian Daily, Police Chief; Bill Bush, Harvey County Independent

2. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Minutes:

Council Member Monty Leonard moved to approve the agenda with deletion of agenda item 9. Executive Session. Second by **Council Member Kirby Stucky Vote results:**

Ayes: 3 / Nays: 0

3. HEARINGS/PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

Minutes:

Council Member Brenda DeHaven gave a shout out to **Patrol Officer Joe Taylor** for his response to a medical call involving her family member.

a. Quarterly Report - 4th Quarter 2020

Minutes:

City Administrator Joseph Turner reviewed the 2020 expenses versus spending authority. His calculation show the city was under budget by \$150,000. There is a negative number in Bond and Interest which needs to be

corrected. This is the last debt to be corrected in the books. **Mayor Chapman** explained that it doesn't mean that there is no money in the bank, it is just on paper. **Turner** said, The city is still trying to get ourselves out of issues from long ago." 2021 Budget was fairly conservative and feels we will be in good standing. We have projects and discussions that need to be had.

4. STAFF REPORTS

a. Brad Jantz, City Attorney

Minutes:

Attorney Jantz reported that the Industrial Park building closing is in the hands of Security First. The survey was supposed to be completed today. The target date to resolve is Feb 16th, the city will get the warehouse building and 20% of sale which will provide for remodel of the warehouse building. Brunner property update. The agreement between buyer and seller has been forwarded to Security First. Agriculture leases, got legal description on South Commercial property. Will re-execute by March 1st with addition of property for 6.5 acres. Need to decide if there should be a charge or not.

City Clerk, Janise Enterkin reported that a notice of property for sale has been posted on FaceBook and a legal notice put in newspaper. City Hall has received a couple of inquiries on the property. **Attorney Jantz** said he has begun quiet title on fire truck.

b. Joseph Turner, City Administrator

Minutes:

City Attorney Turner spoke to Andy Lowe with Halstead EMS, he will be here at next Council meeting to give a report. Turner and Mayor Chapman met with a business which may be interested in moving to our Industrial Park.

Redbarn Farms, bond issue closed. Waiting on breakout of specials on parcels from Bond Counsel. Turner met with someone that may be interested in being a building inspector for the city. Street improvement update. Turner has been meeting with vendors. He said the 1.2 cent sales tax should be about \$150,000.

Turner met with the insurance broker to review current city insurance and make some changes/updates. A Sedgwick High School student is doing some work for internship. Staff met with Flood Plain state officials, have to have response to them by February 12th to address concerns or have questions.

Council please contact Joe with questions.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes:

Moved by **Council Member Brenda DeHaven** to approve the consent agenda as presented. Second by **Council Member Kirby Stucky**

Vote results:

Ayes: 3 / Nays: 0

- a. Minutes of January 18, 2021, Regular Meeting
- b. Approval of Payroll January 22, 2021 amount \$15,864.70
- c. Approval of General Disbursement Checks amount \$72,652.05

 General Disbursement Check Reports

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Fee Schedule Update

Minutes:

City Administrator Joseph Turner presented City Council with a draft Fee schedule for review. Mayor Chapman discussed the increase in fees for Dog/Cat license. The license is to assure that dogs and cats get rabies shots and control cat population. He would like the late fee to stay the same. Mayor Chapman would like to review the costs of water connection and water meters with City Superintendent McGinn.

City Administrator Turner would like to discuss the connecting to sewer and the costs.

Moved by **Council Member Brenda DeHaven** to hold a Council Workshop on Wednesday, February 10th from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Second by **Council**

Member Monty Leonard

Vote results:

Ayes: 3 / Nays: 0

b. Surplus Property

Minutes:

City Administrator Turner brought before Council a list of items that the Fire Department would like to publish for sale.

Moved by **Council Member Monty Leonard** to approve the sale of Fire Department surplus property as presented. Second by **Council Member**

Brenda DeHaven

Vote results:

Ayes: 3 / Nays: 0

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. ADJOURN

Minutes:

Moved by **Council Member Monty Leonard** to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:25 pm. Second by **Council Member Brenda DeHaven**

Vote results:

Ayes: 3 / Nays: 0