

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
511 N. COMMERCIAL**

**October 21, 2013
7:30 P.M.**

PRESIDING: Mayor Rodney Eggleston

GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT: Jon Jenson, Larry Emmel, Thom Noone, Lynne Vigil, Rick Jacob

ALSO ATTENDING: Janise Enterkin, City Clerk, Brad Jantz, City Attorney, Bill Bush, Harvey County Independent, Amanda Mabry, Jim Gillespie, Don Steinert, Mark Sauerwein, Ray Huff, Eric Purk, Rick Wheeler

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

MOVED BY JACOB AND SECONDED BY VIGIL TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH NOTED CHANGES: OLD BUSINESS 8A. EXECUTIVE SESSION – ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE, CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, 8B EXECUTIVE SESSION – ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE, POTENTIAL LITIGATION. MOTION CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED BY JENSON AND SECONDED BY EMMEL TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING:

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 7, 2013.

PAYROLL CHECKS 27250 - 27269

GENERAL DISBURSEMENT CHECKS 59584-59660, 59654-59708, 59661-59682 VOIDED, 59683-59708. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Introduction of new employees: Donald Steinert - Maintenance, Amanda Mabry-Utility Clerk, Rick Wheeler – Sewer Operator

STAFF REPORTS

Jim Gillespie & Eric Purk came before Council to present the 3rd Quarter Maintenance report. Jim Gillespie reported that maintenance has been doing street repair. One concern was at the Hilands. Residents with sprinkler systems have been spraying into the street causing the breakup of the asphalt, called “alligatoring”. The ground under the asphalt becomes saturated. City staff will be sending out letters asking for residents to adjust their sprinkler heads. Maintenance is testing vacuum trucks. The city will go out for bids in late December. Eric Purk reported that Kansas Rural Water came to help find water valves. Maintenance is now able to isolate water lines when doing repairs. Eric is making a map of water valve location. Maintenance has installed two new fire hydrants. A new water valve will be put in at 4th & Commercial.

Ray Huff, Police Chief, presented his 3rd Quarter report. Huff explained the need of a 3rd Full-time officer. He explained that there have been several incidents of thefts in town and a 3rd officer is not a guarantee that it will stop the theft but it could be a deterrent. Chief Huff said he will play with the schedule.

Mark Sauerwein, Director of Emergency Services, presented his 3rd Quarter report – hydrants have been painted throughout town, tested and color coded according to water flow. The hydrant on the corner of Madison needs to be painted black for no fire use. Steve Michaelson is working on repaying his debt to the city for his education. Sauerwein has been talking with Sedgwick Township to see if an emergency vehicle can be housed in their garage on the east side of the tracks. EMT class will begin next month.

Sauerwein researched 4 years of truck use. Unruh Fire presented a bid on a gas engine, which dropped the cost a little over \$10,000. Sauerwein reviewed the parts list sheet on the Unruh Fire truck. Each company that was asked to bid was given the option for gas or diesel. The truck would be a 5 yr lease about \$20,000 per year. Sauerwein said that Newton Fire will be getting rid of their tanker in a few years and he has expressed interest in it for Sedgwick's department.

MOVED BY JENSON AND SECONDED BY NOONE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF RESCUE/BRUSH VEHICLE FROM UNRUH FIRE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$97,113.30. MOTION CARRIED.

Jaci Reimer, City Administrator –

- a) KMIT City Safe Gold Award, 5% discount off of premium. KMIT asks that cities have a Safety Coordinator. This will be placed on the next agenda.
- b) Recycling is increasing Nov. 1st from \$3.75 to \$3.84, a 9 cent increase.
- c) The new utility server is running and corrections have been made to incorrect and missing data. New billing cards have been ordered. Web payment should be implemented in mid November.
- d) Library building issue. Damage on the North side of the building has gotten worse. Jaci has contacted Christy Davis, Historical Society. CDBG information has been sent to owner on the north side of the Library, but there has been no initiative to fix it. A beam in the Library has pulled away from the wall. Building inspector, Bryan Chapman said there will be significant damage to the Library if the other building is not fixed. A structural engineer came out and looked at the Library about 3 years ago. At the next meeting a fix or show cause will be brought to Council. The building will have to be repaired or have to come down.
- e) Jaci held a Health insurance meeting with the employees.
- f) South Central KS Prosperity meeting invitation
- g) Booster Club appreciation dinner on Thursday night, RSVP by Tuesday, 5pm
- h) P1 Group for annual maintenance on heat/air. Denny's will be bringing in a bid also.

OLD BUSINESS

MOVED BY JENSON AND SECONDED BY NOONE TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE CONCERNING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS FOR 10 MIN. WITH COUNCIL, MAYOR, CITY ADMINISTRATOR, CITY ATTORNEY, CITY CLERK BEGINNING AT 8:38 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting reconvened at 8:55 pm with no binding action taken in executive session.

MOVED BY EMMEL AND SECONDED BY JACOB TO ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED CONTRACT WITH NEWTON MEDICAL CENTER FOR \$8,444.63. MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED BY EMMEL AND SECONDED BY VIGIL TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE REGARDING POTENTIAL LITIGATION FOR 10 MIN WITH COUNCIL, MAYOR, CITY ADMINISTRATOR, CITY ATTORNEY, CITY CLERK BEGINNING AT 8:58 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting reconvened at 9:08 pm with no binding action taken in executive session.

MEETING/DATE REMINDERS

Prosperity Conference, Oct. 24th, WSU – 6pm

MOVED BY JACOB AND SECONDED BY JENSON TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 PM

Janise P. Enterkin, CMC
City Clerk