

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

**January 4, 2016  
7:30 P.M.**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Rodney Eggleston

**GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Richard Ludowese, Rick Jacob, Thom Noone, Lynne Vigil, Kirby Stucky

**ATTENDING:** Jaci Reimer, City Administrator; Janise Enterkin, City Clerk; Brad Jantz, City Attorney; Pilar Martin, Harvey County Independent

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

**MOVED BY JACOB AND SECONDED BY STUCKY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.**

CONSENT AGENDA

**MOVED BY JACOB AND SECONDED BY STUCKY TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING:  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 21, 2015  
PAYROLL CHECKS \$20,799.72  
GENERAL DISBURSEMENT CHECKS \$31,168.99.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC FORUM

No public in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

STAFF REPORTS

Jaci Reimer, City Administrator, reviewed the following items with Council:

- a. Quit Claim deeds update.
- b. Contract addendum – City Attorney will present to Council with insurance coverage included.
- c. Online billing update – working with programmer. Late fees and balances can be viewed by customers but unable to see the printout of the bill.
- d. Halstead is looking for a new Animal Control Officer. ACO officer resigned January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- e. Tom Richardson has agreed to stay on as Director of Emergency Services working Tuesday through Thursday every week. Zane Hansen will work 2 days a week taking over some of the EMS duties, ambulance billing, and re-stock ambulances.
- f. Harvey County will be coming tomorrow morning to install 800mhz radios in the fire trucks. Have not heard a definite as to when the system will be in use.
- g. Pump is down on the main lift station. Maintenance pulled it today and sent in for repair.
- h. Maintenance is going to put insulation in the WWTP garage ceiling. Cost approximately \$300-\$500 dollars.
- i. Police Chief, Ray Huff has found a Police car for sale from City of Maize for \$10,000 with 30,000 miles.
- j. ACO truck is going to be returned to Halstead this week.

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- k. Council member Jacob asked about contacting Terracon to do a soil sample at the Harvey County/Recreation Commission building. City Administrator Reimer said she contacted them but they have not come out yet.
- l. Council member Vigil asked about the cameras used to monitor the swimming pool area. The pictures are viewed by City Clerk and then she reports to police department if needed.

Brad Jantz, City Attorney, Executive Session.

- a. Quit Claim deeds ready for signature. Marital status was updated.
- b. Contract amendment including health insurance coverage, employee pays 15% and city pays 85%, replaces section 7 of contract.

#### MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Council discussed the online fees charged to customers. Mayor Eggleston said he would like the city to absorb the \$1 fee for checking and look at covering the Credit Card charge in the future. Council member Stucky said he would like to waive all online fees to the customer. Council member Jacob would like to see the city waive all online fees, and after a year we should revisit this. He requested that the motion be re-written and put on the next agenda. If any public would like to come to the next meeting and comment on it they will see the motion on the agenda.

The motion should read, “Online payments or credit card, debit card payments or checks, no fees will be charged for the convenience of paying utility bills only.”

#### OLD BUSINESS

**MOVED BY VIGIL AND SECONDED BY JACOB TO APPROVE THE ATTORNEY CONTRACT ADDENDUM AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of online utility E-payments for checking/saving and credit/debit cards was tabled until January 18<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

#### MEETING/DATE REMINDERS

- a. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> close at 2pm & Jan. 1, 2016 – City Hall Closed

**MOVED BY JACOB AND SECONDED BY NOONE TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM

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Janise P. Enterkin, CMC  
City Clerk