

City Council Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2018

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger called the regular City Council Meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were: Jesse Knight, Mark Berner, Jeff Blosser, Mark Brooks, Keith Wessel, and Sharon Haun. City Attorney Randy Heilman and City Administrator Nick Jones were also present. Others attending were: Larry Fischer, Kay Hutchinson, Diane Wolfe, Roger Laudick, Nancy Laudick; Utilities Superintendent Derrick Craige, Building Inspector Larry Siegrist, Marcus Hernandez, and Megan Glotzbach.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD I

Larry Fischer thanked the Water Department for their quick action with regard to algae forming on the City Lake.

Kay Hutchinson, representing Greater Morris County Development Corporation, noted there will be Professional Seminars being held this Thursday at the Morris County Courthouse. The subjects covered will be Marketing & Customer Engagement, Continuity Planning & Disaster Preparation, and Succession Planning. There is no cost to attend any of the sessions.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilperson Keith Wessel made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the packet. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion. The consent agenda consisted of:

- August 21, 2018 Minutes.
- August 21, 2018 to Current Appropriations.
- City Lake Cabin Transfers: C-40 from Brandt & Shelia Rudzinski to Carl Barry Cross Rev. Trust, Andover, KS
H-08 from Mike & Anna Hamm to Christopher & Julie Weems, Salina, KS

The Council voted 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Stella Update**
City Administrator Nick Jones noted he hopes to have information soon.
- **Water Conservation – Update**
Councilperson Jesse Knight arrived during the Water Conservation Update. Utilities Superintendent Derrick Craige reported the current Lake level and reported on the algae that appeared on the City Lake. It was reported there was blue green algae found in the City Lake and we were placed on a watch. Further testing will be completed and hopes the watch will be lifted.
- **14 N. Neosho Update**
City Administrator Nick Jones noted the City is able to compact the rubble that is located at 14 N. Neosho and cap off the area. City Administrator Jones noted the city is able to move forward with the process.
- **Washington Street Basketball Court**
Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger noted this subject will be put on hold until further input can be received from the public. Mayor Schwerdtfeger suggested putting something in the Newspaper explaining what the City wishes to do.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Gathering in the Grove**
The Gathering in the Grove request was presented in the Packet for the Council to review. After discussion Councilperson Jesse Knight made a motion to approve the Community Events Application and waive the fees for the application as requested. Councilperson Keith Wessel seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.
- **Westar Energy – Grant of ROW**
City Administrator Nick Jones reviewed the Grant of ROW as presented in the Packet for the Council to approve. After discussion Councilperson Mark Brooks made a motion to approve the Permanent Easement fee of \$5,150.00 as presented. Councilperson Keith Wessel seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

- **Fall CLE Meeting – City Attorney**

City Attorney Randy Heilman noted the cost for the Fall CLE meeting will be \$115.00. After discussion Councilperson Jeff Blosser made a motion to approve the cost and travel expenses for the City Attorney to attend the CLE Meeting. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

- **City Lake Committee Recommendation**

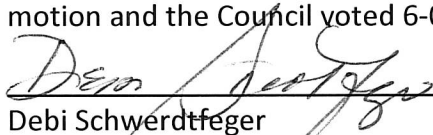
Building Inspector Larry Siegrist noted the owners of B-29, Roger and Nancy Laudick, requested a variance of the 100 foot set back to place a new cabin in the same location of the existing cabin. The new cabin will be no closer to the lake then the existing one. The City Lake Committee recommends the Council approve this request. After discussion Councilperson Jesse Knight made a motion to approve the 100 foot set back variance as requested. Councilperson Mark Berner seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried. Building Inspector Siegrist noted the Laudicks also requested a boundary adjustment of 14 feet on the property end cap to allow room for a garage to be built. The City Lake Committee recommends the Council approve this request. After discussion Councilperson Jesse Knight made a motion to approve the boundary adjustment on the end cap as requested. Councilperson Mark Berner seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

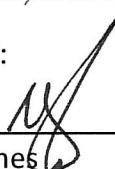
- Councilperson Jesse Knight – Nothing
- Councilperson Mark Berner noted he enjoyed the Voices of the Wind Pageant.
- Councilperson Jeff Blosser noted he enjoyed the Voices of the Wind Pageant. Councilperson Blosser noted the State will bring all the rock the City will need for the Elm Creek Project.
- Councilperson Mark Brooks noted it was a good weekend for the City and thanked everyone who helped out with the Voices of the Wind Pageant. Councilperson Brooks noted Seth Hays will be inducted into the Santa Fe Trail Hall of Fame this upcoming Friday.
- Councilperson Keith Wessel heard good things regarding the Pageant.
- Councilperson Sharon Haun thanked the City Crews for their assistance getting ready for the Voices of the Wind Pageant.
- City Attorney Randy Heilman – Nothing
- City Administrator Nick Jones – Nothing
- Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger noted the Farmers Market would like to request permission to continue in their current location, South of Main Street on Mission Street, though October 2018. After discussion Councilperson Jeff Blosser made a motion to allow the Farmers Market extended use of Mission Street to the Start of November 2018. Councilperson Jesse Knight seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried. Mayor Schwerdtfeger noted the 9/11 ceremony was good and she would like to see more City representation present.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilperson Mark Brooks made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Jeff Blosser seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.


Debi Schwerdtfeger Mayor

ATTEST:


Nick Jones City Administrator

