

City Council Meeting Minutes
July 5, 2016

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Shepard called the Regular City Council Meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were: Jesse Knight, Sharon Jones, Jeff Blosser, Mark Brooks, and Sharon Haun. Betty Hughey and City Attorney Randy Heilman was absent. City Administrator Danny Matthews were also present. Others attending were: Kay Hutchinson, Jim Crosby, Sue Crosby, Marty Thurman, Sgt. Doug Hanson, Steve Taylor, Diane Wolfe, Building Inspector Larry Siegrist, Utilities Superintendent Derrick Craige, Craig McNeal, and Megan Glotzbach.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD I

Jim Crosby is considering purchase two buildings in Council Grove, 10 Wood St. and 16 W. Main, but would like to not purchase them until the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan is implemented. Mr. Crosby is inquiring as to the time line for the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan and if business can be grandfathered into the plan so he can go ahead and purchase the buildings and still get the tax credit. Jesse Knight noted that the City may be able to pass the plan on their said and join the County later. Mark Brooks noted the City should talk with the County before moving forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Transfer:
 - I-30 from Vernon M. & Mary P. Hay to Gary T. and Karma L. Mason, Maize, KS.
 - K-13 from Kathleen C. Harvey and Arnold R. Whaley to Paul & Christie Haynes, Wichita, KS.
- B. June 21, 2016 Minutes.
- C. June 21, 2016 to Current Appropriations.
- D. New Cereal Malt Beverage License – El Rancho Viejo LLC

The Council voted 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

E. Water Plant Generator Discussion.

Mayor Steve Shepard noted the Water Plant Generator is very important for the City and County as this is the only water plant in the area. Mark Brooks noted the Water Committee recommended to purchase a diesel unit with a five year warranty at \$51,055.00. After discussion Mark Brooks made a motion to buy the equipment with splitting the amount in the following way; \$20,000.00 from Equipment Reserve, \$10,000.00 from Water Reserve, and the remaining \$21,055.00 from Infrastructure; Jones Electric will install. Sharon Jones seconded the motion and the Council voted 4/1 in favor with Jesse Knight opposed. Motion carried.

F. No Parking request – East side of Chautauqua St, South of Main St, 1 block.

Chief of Police John Stone gave a written recommendation on the No Parking request. Chief Stone agrees there should be No Parking signs placed along the E. curb line of S. Chautauqua. Jeff Blosser made a motion to place No Parking signs on East Side of Chautauqua St, South of Main St. for one block. Sharon Jones seconded the motion and the Council voted 5-0 in favor. Motion carried.

G. Dog stations consideration.

City Administrator Danny Matthews noted this was tabled at the last meeting to give Parks and Recreation Committee time to discuss where the dog stations should be placed, but he has not heard back from the Committee yet. After discussion it was decided to re-table until the Parks and Recreation Committee can meet.

NEW BUSINESS

H. New Employee Appointments.

Mayor Steve Shepard appointed Travis Richardson and James LaRue to Apprentice Water Plant Operator at \$12.40 per hour, contingent on passing physical, background check, and drug and alcohol testing. Mayor Shepard wanted it that noted Travis Richardson is the Brother-in-law to Utilities Superintendent Derrick Craige and Councilman Mark Brooks is related to both men. Sharon Haun made a motion to conform all appointments. Jesse Knight seconded the motion and the Council voted 5-0 in favor with Mark Brooks abstaining. Motion carried.

I. Council Grove POA Veterans Fishing Tournament Request.

Sgt. Doug Hanson noted last year's POA Veterans Fishing Tournament was a great success and hopes that this year will be just as great. Sgt. Hanson would like to request the same things as last year,

J. Mobile Home Upgrade Request.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS


Councilman Knight noted 18 equipment bags have been donated for the Softball and Baseball Teams.

Councilman Brooks also discussed the History of the Bell Monument.

Mayor Steve Shepard reminded the Council about the Budget Work-study on July 6, 2016 at 5:30 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.



Steve Shepard Mayor

ATTEST:

Danny Matthews City Administrator

