City Council Meeting Minutes September 6, 2022

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger called the regular City Council Meeting to order. Council members present were Jason Booker, Mark Berner, Keith Wessel, Larry Siegrist, Sharon Haun also present were City Administrator Nick Jones, City Attorney Brian Henderson. Others attending were AJ Dome, Pastor Billy Kyger, Angie Schwerdtfeger, Jo King, Renee Berner.

PUBLIC HEARING - EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger opened the City Council meeting with open comments regarding the city exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate. With no questions from those in attendance Mayor Schwerdtfeger asked for a motion to approve Resolution 090622-01 to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Booker to approve Resolution 090622-01 to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sharon Haun. Motion Carried 5-0.

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger then moved onto approval of the 2023 City Budget. Mayor Schwerdtfeger asked if anyone had any questions or concerns and with no questions called for a motion to approve the 2023 City Budget. A motion was made by Councilperson Mark Berner to approve the 2023 Budget. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Jason Booker. Motion Carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Jo King inquired if the city had plans of thoughts of possibly doing curbside pickup of recyclables. Mayor Schwerdtfeger said she would need to speak with the County regarding recycling as the city does not handle it.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilperson Keith Wessel made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the packet. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5 - 0. The consent agenda consisted of:

- August 16, 2022, Minutes
- August 16, 2022, to Current Appropriations.
- Cabin Transfer: C-0 & J-21
- Renewal for Club Liquor License Flint Hills Saloon and Eatery Inc.

OLD BUSINESS

• <u>N/A</u>

NEW BUSINESS

• <u>Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR): Proclamations</u>
DAR did not attend meeting

• Community Events Application: Council Grove Arts Council - Sethfest

Renna Berner with Council Grove Arts Council requested the use of the Riverwalk Amphitheater for Sethfest on October 8^{th} from 2pm-10pm for cornhole, music and beer garden. The Council Grove Arts Council also requested the city leave the solar lights on the stairs at the amphitheater, Temporary lighting on the electric pedestals, use of spider box & extension cords, and fence for the stage area. After discussion Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the request by the Council Grove Arts Council. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sharon Haun. Motion Carried 5-0

• City Lake Committee Recommendation:

City Administrator Nick Jones read the recommendation of the City Lake Committee for boundary line adjustments for the following lease holds.

- o B-9: Gregory Young 116 Lakeshore Dr. Request a boundary line adjustment request of 30 feet for a garage. After discussion Councilperson Mark Berner made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Jason Booker Motion Carried 5-0
- o B-21: Gregory & Lisa Ebert 132 Waterway Loop. Request a boundary line adjustment request of 40'x60' for construction of a garage. After discussion Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sharon Haun Motion Carried 5 0

- o H-7: Tim & Sheryl Chadd 144 Waterside Circle request a boundary line adjustment of 14' North side and 28' South side for a new construction of a cabin. After discussion Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Mark Berner Motion Carried 5 − 0
- o C-25: Tim Benning 132 Breezy Shores Circle. Request a boundary line adjustment of 22' for new construction of a cabin and carport. After discussion Councilperson Sharon Haun made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keith Wessel Motion Carried 5 − 0

• Police Recommendation: Stop Sign

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger read the recommendation from Police Chief Shawn Wangerin recommending adding a stop sign and for it be placed for southbound traffic in the 15-mph zone on Wood Street at Hockaday to help slow traffic and make for a safer school zone. After discussion a motion was made by Keith Wessel to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Mark Berner. Motion Carried 5-0

• Police and Fire Committee Recommendation: Appointments

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger read the recommendation that the Police and Fire Committee accepted the recommendation from the Fire Department to appoint the following to Volunteer Fire Fighters with the Council Grove Fire Department. Appointments are contingent upon passing a Drug/Alcohol Screening and Physical.

- o Matthew Wirtz
- o Jimmie Blackburn
- o Johnathan Mayhill

Mayor Schwerdtfeger asked for a motion to approve the appointments. A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Booker to approve the appointments. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sharon Haun. Motion Carried 5-0

• Police and Fire Committee Recommendation: Shawn Wangerin

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger read the recommendation from the Police and Fire Committee recommending a retention raise for Police Chief Shawn Wangerin to \$26.50 per hour with an effective date of September 7^{th} , 2022, instead of September 14^{th} , 2022, as listed in the Council packet. A motion was made by Councilperson Keith Wessel to approve the recommendation from the Police and Fire Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Mark Berner. Motion Carried 5-0

• <u>Utilities Committee Recommendation: Michael Stover</u>

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger read the recommendation from the Utilities Committee recommending a pay increase for Michael Stover from \$16.32 to \$17.82 for successfully passing his Class I Water Operator Certification with an effective date of September 7^{th} , 2022. A motion was made by Councilperson Jason Booker to approve the recommendation from the Police and Fire Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Mark Berner. Motion Carried 5-0

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

- Councilperson Jason Booker reminded residents again about the City Ordinance on grass clippings and said he continues to see it. City Administrator Nick Jones informed the Council that City Inspector Dan Drube has stopped and spoken with several residents about leaving the clippings in the road and has been yelled at or cursed at by some and others have just ignored him. Administrator Jones pointed out that there is no teeth to the ordinance sense there is not a fine associated with it. Mayor Schwerdtfeger asked City Attorney Brian Henderson to look at our current fines for other offenses and make a recommendation to the Council.
- Councilperson Mark Berner N/A
- Councilperson Keith Wessel N/A
- Councilperson Sean Honer Absent
- Councilperson Larry Siegrist asked about when the city boat dock would be installed at the City Lake. City Administrator Nick Jones said it should be sometime this month.
- Councilperson Sharon Haun N/A
- City Attorney Brian Henderson N/A
- City Administrator Nick Jones N/A
- Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger –N/A

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Keith Wessel made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Jason Booker seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Debi Schwerdtfeger

Mayor

ATTEST:

Nick Jones

City Administrator

