

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger called the regular City Council Meeting to order. Council members present were Jason Booker, Sean Honer, Sharon Haun, and Denise Hartman, Larry Siegrist, Mark Berner also present was City Administrator Nick Jones and City Attorney Brian Henderson. Others attending were Jan Sciacca, Angie Schwerdtfeger, Christy Alexander, Molly Priest, Pastor Billy Kryger, Drew Ricketts.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Christy Alexander

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Angie Schwerdtfeger representing Council Grove PRIDE requested the city pass a resolution to renew PRIDES standing with the Kansas Pride Program, which will be in place from 2023-2026. After discussion Mayor Schwerdtfeger asked for a motion to approve the resolution. A motion was made by Councilperson Denise Hartman. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Mark Berner. Motion carried 6 - 0

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the packet. Councilperson Sean Honer seconded the motion. Motion Carried 6 – 0. The consent agenda consisted of:

- December 20, 2022, Minutes
- December 20, 2022, to Current Appropriations.

OLD BUSINESS

• **Highway 56 Resurfacing Update:**

City Administrator Nick Jones informed the Council the request for bids for the Highway 56 mill and overlay has been published in Council Grove Republican. Administrator Jones said the project would start at Belfry and head East to 3rd street and would be mill and overlay from curb to curb. The deadline for receiving bids is set for January 20, 2023, at 12pm. Administrator Jones said at that time bids will be opened with KDOT and BG Consultants to determine who won the bid. Administrator Jones also said that in 2024 that the plan is to mill and overlay from 3rd street to East city limits curb to curb.

NEW BUSINESS

• **Drew Ricketts: KSU Assistant Professor: Advisor/Coach KSU Shotgun Sports Team**

Professor Drew Ricketts Advisor/Coach KSU Shotgun Sports Team presented to the Council a proposal to apply for a grant that would allow for the Council Grove Trap range to be extended and allow for new features. Professor Ricketts proposed partnering with the City of Council Grove and the KSU Shotgun Sports Team to allow KSU to use the facility for practice at least once a week. The cost of the improvements would be the responsibility of KSU. Professor Ricketts said he would like the contract between the city and KSU to be for 10 years. After discussion a motion was made by Councilperson Mark Berner to allow Professor Ricketts to apply for the grant and to partner with KSU. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sean Honer. Motion carried 6 - 0

• **Police Department Patrol Car: Discussion**

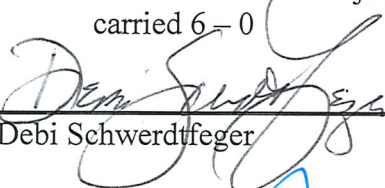
City Administrator Nick Jones said he located a 2020 Chevy Tahoe with 45,000 miles on and that it was fully equipped and ready to patrol. The Patrol car is located at Superior Emergency Response Vehicles in Andover. City Administrator Jones said the Patrol vehicle was discounted to \$36,000 and that the city has bought its last 3 Patrol vehicles from them. After discussion Councilperson Mark Berner made a motion to approve the purchase with funds being split between the Police Budget and Equipment Reserve. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sharon Haun. Motion Carried 6 – 0

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

- **Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger – N/A**

- **Councilperson Jason Booker** – Happy New Year
- **Councilperson Mark Berner** – N/A
- **Denise Hartman** – Was encouraged and excited about partnering with KSU
- **Councilperson Sean Honer** – Wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked the city crews for their work on ice and snow removal.
- **Councilperson Larry Siegrist** – N/A
- **Councilperson Sharon Haun** – Looking forward to a Great Year.
- **City Attorney Brian Henderson** – N/A
- **City Administrator Nick Jones** – Wished everyone a Merry Christmas

- Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Denise Hartman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0



Debi Schwerdtfeger Mayor

ATTEST: 

Nick Jones City Administrator

