

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on the 20th day of October, 2003 at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ray Hovestadt who presided.

A roll call disclosed the following present: Councilmembers Dubois, McClure and Sanders; City Attorney Godderz, Superintendent Rickel, Police Chief Shaffer and City Clerk Holloway.

Visitors: Laura Blossom, Kenneth Blair, Wayne Westerman, Charles Smith, David Schwartz, Leland Boyce and Kim Tyson

A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 6, 2003. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Ayes 3; nays 0.

Enter now, Councilmember Fry

Claims Ordinance No. 2012, an ordinance making appropriation for the payment of certain claims was introduced, said claims being in the amounts as follows: General \$278.62; Police \$582.36; Animal Control \$46.32; Street \$970.50; Park \$1,672.27; Pool \$35.14; Employee Benefits \$1,535.36; Special Highway \$4,951.26; Electric \$23,894.71; Water \$7,903.98; Gas \$777.11; Sewer \$875.05; Solid Waste \$3,274.55. A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure to approve Ordinance No. 2012. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Kim Tyson and Roy Rickel spoke with the Council about the electronic meter reading devices and Laura Blossom stated Infinetec is in the process of contracting for a more durable device. Kim Tyson talked about the City's web page which one of the classes at the high school will set up at no cost as it is being done for a grade. Ms Blossom explained the equipment and support costs for setting up the meter reading and to host the web page. A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to table a decision until more information could be presented. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Exit now, Laura Blossom and Kim Tyson

Following the City's recent smoke test of the sewer system, Wayne Westerman of Cook, Flatt & Strobel, engineers, gave an overview of how the City should proceed to repair or replace the system and approximate cost and possible funding based on other projects which they have completed. It was the consensus of the Council that the engineers would meet with Superintendent Rickel and present a more detailed proposal at the 2nd meeting in November.

Charles Smith with Horst, Terrill & Karst Architects and David Schwartz, engineer, with Water's Edge Aquatic Design, talked about maintenance problem areas being encountered at the swimming pool and possible methods of correction. It was the consensus of the Council that

they meet with Superintendent Rickel and present a design and more detailed proposal at the 2nd meeting in November.

City Attorney Godderz stated he had talked with Larry Bold with Utility Resources and the City would need to send a letter stating the contract was being restricted to cover only review of the telephone bills. A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure that the Mayor be authorized to sign the 3 year contract with Utility Resources to research the possibility of refund due to the City by Sprint or Excel. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Superintendent Rickel stated the cost of materials for the replacement of the gas line would be approximately \$15,350.00. A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to accept the bid received from Dayhoff Underground for the trenching work in the amount of \$20,738.00 and the City crew proceed with the replacement of the gas line east of the City. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure to adopt Resolution No. 280, a resolution relating to State aid for the improvement of city connecting links on the State highway system. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry that 4 or 5 trees be transplanted to the ball fields if the Kansas State Extension Office advises they have a high percentage rate of survival. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to recess to Executive Session at 9:04 P.M. for a period of 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with Leland Boyce, Power Plant Supervisor. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0. Council returned to open meeting at 9:19 P.M.

A motion was offered to return to Executive Session for a period of 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0. Council and Leland Boyce returned to open meeting at 9:29 P.M.

Exit now, Leland Boyce

A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure to recess to Executive Session at 9:30 P.M. for a period of 10 minutes to discuss Attorney Client matters with City Attorney and City Clerk. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0. Council returned to open meeting at 9:40 P.M.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders that the registration to use Business Services Online be resubmitted in the name of City Clerk Holloway. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Aye 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois to approve the demolition agreement for property at 421 South Osage Street. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

City Clerk presented a request from Victor Raymond to vacate Kansas Street from just north of Jackson Avenue to Jefferson Avenue. A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure that a decision be tabled until the City Attorney could research the request. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Reports were heard from department heads, Council and Mayor.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Councilmember Dubois. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Cheryl Holloway, City Clerk