

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on the 16th day of December, 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 Croucher, Dubois, Fry and Sanders; City Attorney Godderz, Superintendent Rickel, Police Chief Shaffer and City Clerk Holloway.

Visitors: Janene Fry

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 1, 2003 and special meeting of December 10, 2003. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Claims Ordinance No. 2016, an ordinance making appropriation for the payment of certain claims was introduced, said claims being in the amounts as follows: General \$976.57; Police \$673.92; Animal Control \$112.13; Street \$651.25; Park \$156.63; Pool \$26.59; Employee Benefits \$4,999.60; Special Highway \$1,101.35; Capital Improvement \$864.00; Electric \$26,421.01; Water \$15,413.95; Gas \$8,303.04; Sewer \$1,104.78; Solid Waste \$46.24. A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to approve Ordinance No. 2016. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

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

Pursuant to a notice published in the Osage County Chronicle on November 27, 2003 stating a Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 16, 2003 at City Hall to amend the 2003 Budget and there being no persons present objecting thereto, a motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to approve the Amended Budget in the Special Highway Fund from \$35,000 to \$55,000 and the Sewer Fund from \$108,969 to \$129,969. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Council reviewed a letter from Kansas Department of Transportation referencing a road safety audit in Osage County several months ago. A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders that the City respond by letter stating our willingness to make corrections and ask their assistance in the type of marking paint suitable for bricks and the options of where lines should be placed. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to table action on the Mediacom Franchise Agreement Ordinance until signatures have been obtained by all parties. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Written applications for 2004 cereal malt beverage licenses were presented from Josephine K. Rowley dba Santa Fe Café, Richard L. Soendker dba Soendker's Grocery, Tracy Masters dba Town Pump-Phillips 66 and Casey's General Stores; after which time, a motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois that the applications be approved and licenses issued. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Council reviewed a proposal from Infnitec for 3 computers for City Hall and a motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to obtain additional bids and to look into getting Kim's hard drive fixed. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry that Christmas bonus be given to full time employees in the amount of \$50.00 and part time employees, including Kerry Punches, in the amount of \$25.00. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois to have a special meeting on Tuesday, December 30, 2003 at 6:30 P.M. for year end matters. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Public Officer Jon Shaffer presented a written report to the Council following an inspection completed by him and Building Inspector Welch of the building located at 131 West Santa Fe Avenue. It is their opinion that the building is in violation of City Code Chapter 4, Article 6, Dangerous and Unfit Structures. A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois that the City Attorney should proceed with a title search and complete the required resolution to be executed by the Mayor.

Reports were heard from department heads, Council and Mayor. At this time, a motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to accept the proposal from TFMComm to connect the tornado sirens controls with the County while maintaining the ability for manual control from the City's Power Plant. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

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

Cheryl Holloway, City Clerk