

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on the 15th day of September, 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, McClure and Sanders; City Attorney Godderz, Superintendent Rickel, Police Chief Shaffer and City Clerk Holloway.

Visitors: Emerson Hayden, John and Jan Hudson, Dustin and Teri Swander, Carolyn Strohm, Heidi Stromgren, Missy Floyd, Earl Parker, Susan DeMars, Vikki DeMars, Kathy Kraus, Janene Fry

A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 2, 2003. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

Claims Ordinance No. 2009, an ordinance making appropriation for the payment of certain claims was introduced, said claims being in the amounts as follows: General \$888.76; Police \$533.40; Animal Control \$153.20; Street \$1,232.54; Park \$179.19; Pool \$773.95; Employee Benefits \$1,535.36; Electric \$41,702.00; Water \$34,702.43; Gas \$1,083.76; Sewer \$830.50; Solid Waste \$2,521.66. A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to approve Ordinance No. 2009. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

The City Clerk advised the Council that approval has been received from Kansas Department of Transportation to block off Dacotah Street to Topeka Avenue from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight on Saturday, October 4, 2003 and block off Topeka Avenue to Delaware Street from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for the parade. A couple of merchants expressed concern of blocking off the street all day as their customers would not have access to their business. After testing the paint for having a "Yellow Brick Road", it was determined that another method would need to be used, several options were discussed. A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry that we close the block for the day with the exception of moving the barricades from Dacotah to the driveway of Kraus Hardware to accommodate customers. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

Exit now, visitors except for Emerson Hayden, Dustin and Teri Swander and Janene Fry

A motion was offered by Councilmember McClure that the City Attorney continue following up on engineers to inspect the pool and sewer lines. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to table the item regarding the signs south and east of town. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to accept the bid proposal of The Bug Guys for \$90.00 a quarter for servicing 6 City buildings with an additional \$30.00 to service the pool and ball park concession building. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

Exit now, Dustin and Teri Swander

A motion was offered by Councilmember Sanders to recess to Executive Session at 8:03 P.M. for a period of 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Seconded by Councilmember McClure and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0. City Clerk entered the Session at 8:15 P.M. and exited when Council returned to open meeting at 8:23 P.M.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to recess to Executive Session at 8:23 P.M. for a period of 20 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0. Council returned to open meeting at 8:40 P.M.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to table the contract of Utility Resources until more information could be received. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to table the proposal of Northern Pipeline for replacement of the gas line east of the City until at least one other proposal could be received. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

Reports were heard from department heads, Council and Mayor.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Councilmember Fry. Seconded by Councilmember Sanders and the vote was Ayes 5; nays 0.

Cheryl Holloway, City Clerk