

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on the 10th day of January, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.

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

Roll call disclosed the following present: Councilmembers Croucher, Dubois, Fry and Nichols; City Attorney Godderz, City Administrator Hassler, Superintendent Rickel, Police Chief Shaffer and City Clerk Holloway.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 20, 2004 and special meeting of December 30, 2004. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

City Administrator reported that a formal proposal had not been submitted from Lowe's; however, from his calculations, labor and materials for removal and installation of carpet and linoleum would be approximately \$500.00 more than Feltner Floors & Furniture out of Lyndon. A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois authorizing the work to be done by Feltner Floors & Furniture. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Specifications for a utility truck with manual transmission, diesel engine and utility body were mailed to several dealerships and bids were received as follows: Osage City Buick \$33,193.00; Ed Bozarth Chevrolet \$33,093.00; John North Ford (54" body) \$29,305.70; John North Ford (60" body) \$30,389.00. After discussion a motion was offered by Councilmember Nichols to reject all bids and to rebid if the current proposals would expire while bids were also requested for a truck with an automatic transmission and gas engine. Seconded by Councilmember Croucher and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Council reviewed the bids for a bucket truck as follows: Drake Scruggs Equipment (demo unit) \$126,031.00; Altec Industries (new unit) \$113,187.00; Altec Industries (demo unit) \$108,096.00; Terex Utilities \$108,821.00. A motion was offered by Councilmember Dubois to purchase the demo unit from Altec Industries with the cross-arm assembly and manual selector control for an additional \$1,501.00. Seconded by Councilmember Nichols with Councilmembers Dubois and Nichols voting Aye; Councilmembers Croucher and Fry voting Nay. Mayor Hovestadt voted with the Nays and the motion was defeated.

At the recommendation of the Mayor, a motion was offered by Councilmember Nichols to purchase the new unit from Altec Industries with the additions totaling \$1,501.00. Seconded by Councilmember Fry and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Specifications for three (3) computers for City Hall were given to the following and bids received as shown: Osage Computer Service \$2,196.00; Dell \$1,976.10; Compaq \$2,489.94. A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to purchase the computers from Dell. Seconded by Councilmember Dubois and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

A motion was offered by Councilmember Fry to authorize the City Administrator to order a cooling tower at a cost of \$28,733 with payment and delivery to be in the Fall of 2005. Seconded by Councilmember Nichols and the vote was Ayes 4; nays 0.

Reports were heard from City Attorney, City Administrator, Council and Mayor.

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

Cheryl Holloway, City Clerk