

Dwight City Council Minutes

April 21st, 2014

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on April 21st, 2014. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis, John Traynor and Kathy Worrell.

Visitors present: Butch Roberts, Bryan Newell, Ben Moore, Carl VonPertz, Donnie Glessner, Ronnie Gallaway, City Treasurer Mina Miller, and City Clerk Heather Brown were also in attendance. Ben Moore introduced Bryan Newell, Vice-President of Riley Construction, to Council members. Riley Construction will begin their process of demolishing the current City Building and constructing the new one on June 1st, 2014. The new City office will replace the old office at the existing location at 612 Main, Dwight. Mr. Newell stated that construction will take 120 days to complete. The payment dropbox will be moved to the Community Building until the new office is completed. Carl VonPertz spoke to Council regarding his pot-bellied pig. He was concerned that he was violating an Ordinance by having the pig in City limits. Council would like for Mr. VonPertz to provide shot records to them. Council approved of the pig being inside City limits according to Ordinance it is allowed as it is domesticated. Mr. VonPertz does have all the paperwork and licenses he needs to own the pet. Butch Roberts asked Council if they would like to donate to his son Dale Roberts Memorial Tournament this year.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner provided a written report. Donald stated that everything is going smoothly with the sewer. He and Ronnie have gotten everything prepared for Mayer to complete sewer cleaning. There is a small hole in the sewer that Mayer is going to be looking at and taking a video to provide to Council. He has begun mowing around town and has trimmed several trees in the park. He will provide Heather Brown with a list of residents who require tree trimming or removal.

Water Manager Report: Ronnie Gallaway provided a written report. He stated that the water tower is currently offline while Utility Services does Maintenance and Cleaning to it. It will be offline April 20th through April 24th. KDHE completed a water inspection on April 14th, 2014. Everything was provided to KDHE that was required. Some concrete around Well 2 does need some work done on it.

Dog Catcher Report: None. The dog catcher position still needs to be filled.

City Treasurer Report: Mina Miller stated that all numbers balanced when she did her reports for the quarterly financials.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. She is to send a resident's past due water bill to the City Attorney due to non-payment. There has been some concern about an abandoned property needing cleaned up and mowed. Mayor Johnson will be in touch with the mortgage company to see what needs to be done. Heather provided Council with a list of water deposits. She explained that all the water deposits received are applied to the Water Fund account. Heather stated that 68 dogs and 2 cats were registered at the Dog Clinic on April 19th.

Minutes: Councilwoman Ellis moved to accept the minutes of the March 17th regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Goss moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Navrat's for \$132.89 for dog tags. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence: Heather shared a letter from Kansas Gas Service regarding our sewer system. Council asked Heather to send Kansas Gas a map of our sewer lines. Bruce Olson sent the City a letter regarding issues with the Union Pacific railroad through town. Councilwoman recommended Heather invite Union Pacific to our May Council meeting.

Old Business: Heather needs to contact Riley Construction to see if we are responsible for removal of TCT, KGS, and Westar hook-ups. Councilwoman Ellis would like to wait to make plans for the City Park until we hear back from Union Pacific regarding the fence. Mayor Johnson would like to repair or replace the fence at the basketball/tennis courts. Butch Roberts stated that there is some fence out by the sewer pond that could be used for repairs.

New Business: Heather shared concern from residents regarding Pit fees. Council stated that pit fees are to be paid until the Water Improvement Project loan is paid off in 2050. Heather is to draft a letter to the City Attorney regarding Pit fees. There were 38 participants in this year's Easter Egg Hunt at the Park. Councilwoman Worrell moved to donate \$50 to Dale Roberts Memorial Tournament on June 7th. Councilwoman Ellis seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Worrell will advertise for the City-Wide garage sales on May 3rd. Heather needs to advertise scrap cast to the newspapers. Councilwoman Goss requested that the reading and approval of minutes be above additions to agenda on the agenda. Mayor Johnson stated that Joyce Gallaway's memorial bench has been moved to the park.

Adjournment: Councilwoman Worrell moved to adjourn with Councilwoman Ellis seconding. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.