

Dwight City Council Minutes

December 15th, 2014

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on December 15th, 2014. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis, John Traynor, Eddie Vineyard and Kathy Worrell.

Visitors present: City Attorney Ben Oleen was in attendance to talk to Council about Water Improvement Fees. He will be working on drafting an Ordinance regarding Water Improvement Fees. Mr. Oleen also discussed with Council about making it a requirement that the water bill be moved to the current resident's name. It has become an issue that some water bills remain in deceased individuals names. He will also be working on drafting an Ordinance for this issue. Margitta VanEperen was in attendance to discuss sewer issues she is currently having. Council researched the location of Margitta's property and made the decision that it is her responsibility to make the repairs.

Additions to Agenda: None

Minutes: Councilwoman Ellis moved to accept the minutes of the November 17th regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was not in attendance but provided a written report. He provided Council with an estimate of \$1400.87 from Brown's Farm Service for repairing the road grader. Councilwoman Goss made a motion to accept the estimate from Brown's Farm Service for repairing the road grader with the exception that Jeff Brown keeps Council up to date on the repairs to be made as he goes. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Donnie has also been repairing pot holes and has more to do.

Water Manager Report: Brad Reynoso was not in attendance but provided a written report. Brad stated that everything is operating smoothly and City Clerk Heather Brown helped him read some meters to help him figure out how to use the handheld equipment. All samples have been turned in on time and came back normal.

Dog Catcher Report: Ricky Worrell was in attendance and provided a written report. There was a dog reported out and he checked on it but couldn't find it. Councilwoman Goss asked Ricky if there was any news on the pitbull that was reported loose at the school in November. Ricky stated that he checked it out and has not seen the pit bull. No other reports have been received.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. She provided Council with a copy of a bill that was not received from Riley Construction before the retainage bill was paid. The bill is for \$270.00. Council would like to know what the money is owed for. Heather will contact Riley Construction to gather the information for Council to review at the January Council meeting. It will be determined then if the bill will be paid.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Goss moved to approve the bills as presented with the exception of Riley Construction until further notice of what is due. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: Heather showed Council the new office supplies that have been purchased. She has purchased two area rugs, a floor mat, and a storage cabinet. A gentleman from rural Dwight kindly donated a filing cabinet and book case to the City as well. Mayor Johnson provided a microwave to be used temporarily until Council purchases one. Ronnie Gallaway provided a mini refrigerator to be used temporarily until Council purchases one. Council discussed the purchase of a coffee pot for the City office and decided to have Councilwoman Goss pick one up.

New Business: Mayor Johnson asked Council what keys they each have to the City locks in town. Councilwoman Goss stated that the door lock was broken at the Community Building. She will pick up a new lock and make copies. Mayor Johnson stated that County Clerk Michelle Garrett had called him and told him that the City has the authority to transfer \$25,000 for end-of-year transfers, but in actuality can only transfer \$10,000. Michelle also stated that Heather is to put the Employee Benefits Fund of \$960.28 into the General Fund. Mayor Johnson stated that the lawsuit with the city lake will not affect the City of Dwight. Councilwoman Goss made the motion to transfer \$7000 of access 2014 General Fund monies to Equipment Reserve and \$3000 of access 2014 General Fund monies to Capital Improvement Fund. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Worrell asked about the snowflakes hanging on Main Street and who put them up. Councilwoman Goss stated that Terry Slawson put them up and will take them down for the total price of \$200.00. Councilwoman Worrell also asked about sealing the City office floor. Council has decided not to take any action on the floor at this time. Heather thanked everyone for bringing in a snack to have during the meeting.

Adjournment: Councilman Vineyard moved to adjourn with Councilwoman Ellis seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.