

Dwight City Council Minutes

December 21st, 2015

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on December 21st, 2015. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Kathy Worrell, Melissa Ellis, and Richard Lindgren. John Traynor was absent. Council Members and City Clerk Heather Brown brought treats to share for the Holiday.

Visitors present: Dog Catcher Ricky Worrell, Water Manager Brad Reynoso and Maintenance Manager Donald Glessner were also present.

Additions to Agenda: None.

Minutes: Councilwoman Ellis moved to accept the minutes of the November 16th, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was in attendance and provided a written report. Donald reported that the sewer ponds are doing well and the grape stuff is working well. He reported that the City Two-wheel Utility Trailer was stolen from outside the City Maintenance Shop around December 10th. The tractor tire was punctured at the burn pile. Donald had it repaired at the Tire Shop in Council Grove. The bathroom at the Park has been winterized.

Water Manager Report: Brad Reynoso was in attendance. He gave a verbal Water Report to Council. Brad reported that the Biological samples have come back normal from KDHE. He stated that Steve Euler, Rural Water District #1, got the valve fixed at the City Water Tower. Brad reported that there are a few sensors on a few meters in town that need replaced. He will begin the work soon.

Dog Catcher Report: Ricky Worrell was in attendance and provided a written report. He had nothing to report this month.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. She also provided a written Clerk Report. Heather reported that the Street signs have been ordered and are ready for Donald to put up. She called Terry Slawson to have him hang snowflakes on Main Street. He will take them back down in January. Heather reported that she sent a letter requesting a Special Meeting with the USD 417 Board of Education regarding the land east of the Dwight School building. She called the Morris County Sheriff's Office to report the City Utility Trailer missing on December 10th. There has been other thefts reported in the City.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Goss moved to approve the bills as presented. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence: A letter from USD 417 Superintendent Doug Conwell was given to Council members. Mr. Conwell was requesting further information about the Special Meeting request letter he received from the City. It was decided between Council and the Board of Education that a Special Meeting to discuss quick deeding the land east of the Dwight School would be held immediately prior to the Board of Education meeting held on December 14th, 2015.

Old Business: Councilman Lindgren gave an update of the City Road Grader that is being repaired at Brown's Farm Service. There has not been much progress at all on the grader. Heather provided a Capital Improvement Plan for the 5-Year period 2016-2020 to Council members. Over the next few Council meetings, Council will develop ideas to be put on the Plan. Discussion on this was tabled until the January Council meeting. Street Signs were purchased by Evangeline Specialties, Inc. on November 19th, 2015 in the amount of \$1806.20. The signs, posts and brackets are all in and ready to be put up by Donald as soon as the weather warms up a little.

At the December 14th, 2015 Special City Council/USD 417 Board of Education meeting, it was agreed that USD 417 would deed the land under the tennis court to the City of Dwight. In return, the City of Dwight will deed the land on the far North side of Block 67 to USD 417. Councilwoman Ellis moved to accept the minutes of the December 14th, 2015 Special City Council/USD 417 Board of Education meeting as presented. Councilman Lindgren seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Johnson stated that he attended the Flint Hills Regional Council meeting in December. He gave a verbal report to Council what he had learned at the meeting. He received a standing ovation for the City of Dwight re-joining FHRC. The Representative whom attends the FHRC meetings will be reimbursed 57 cents/mile.

New Business: Mayor Johnson passed a list around to Council stating Cities that give Employee Bonuses. Councilwoman Goss made the motion for City Employees to receive the following bonuses for a job well done: City Clerk, Heather Brown-\$75.00. Maintenance Manager, Donald Glessner-\$75.00. Water Manager Brad Reynoso-\$50.00. Treasurer, Mina Miller-\$50.00. Dog Catcher, Ricky Worrell-\$50.00. Ronnie Gallaway-\$50.00. The total bonuses awarded were \$350.00. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Ellils moved to transfer \$9000 of excess 2015 General Fund monies to the Capital Improvement Fund. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Councilwoman Ellis moved to transfer \$2500 of excess 2015 General Fund monies to the Equipment Reserve Fund. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Worrell stated that a snowflake on Main Street was only half lit. Councilwoman Goss stated it has been burned out in a recent power outage

and will be repaired next year. Councilwoman Goss wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Heather wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked Council for the bonus.

Adjournment: Councilman Lindgren made the motion to adjourn with all other Council members seconding in unison. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on January 18th, 2016 at 7 PM.