

Dwight City Council Minutes

January 20, 2014

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 6:30 PM on January 20th, 2014. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis, Kathy Worrell and John Traynor.

Visitors present: Butch Roberts, Ronnie Gallaway, Eric Smith, Ben Moore, Mina Miller and Heather Brown. Eric Smith from the League of Kansas Municipalities spoke with Council about the Codification book. He explained that they need to go through the book and decide which ordinances pertain to the City of Dwight and which don't. Council will get together in a couple of work sessions to make these decisions. Ben Moore gave an update on the new City Office. The final drawings are out for bid. There are currently four bidders. There will be a prebid conference on January 23rd at 2 PM. The bid opening will be on February 17th at 6:30 PM.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was not in attendance but provided a written report. He stayed very busy clearing off the snow from the streets.

Water Manager Report: Ronnie Gallaway provided a written report. He would like to start sending in the water samples with UPS. There are new time requirements and the USPS is not getting the samples in on time. He is looking into shipping both samples together each month. He would like the City Council to hire a Water Manager Assistant so he can train and prepare them for when he retires.

City Treasurer: Mina Miller was in attendance and provided the quarterly and year end reports. All numbers matched with the City Clerk and looked good. Mina is planning on attending a QuickBooks course at Washburn soon.

Dog Catcher Report: No Report. There have been no applicants for the Dog Catcher position. Ronnie Gallaway is filling in as Dog Catcher until the City hires someone.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. Heather asked if Ronnie could start hanging bright colored notices on residents' doors if they are due to be disconnected. Council agrees that this would be a good idea.

City Attorney Report: No Report.

Minutes: Councilwoman Ellis moved to accept the minutes of the December 16th regular meeting with the inclusion of the City Office receiving free internet. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Ellis moved to approve the bills as presented with the additions of Janet Gossqpay, Waterwise Enterprises for \$700.00, pay Ronnie Gallaway the Dog Catcher wage and to remove the bills from Kansas Mayors Association, Flinthills Regional Council, and City Attorneys Association of Kansas. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 3-1.(Goss)

Correspondence: The State Safety Inspection has been closed.

Old Business: Councilwoman Ellis stated that sale prices will begin in February for park purchases. She will call Jim Larsen at Union Pacific about the fence around the park for security reasons.

New Business: The City office needs to be cleaned out before the next Council meeting on February 17th, 2014. Mayor Johnson is going to check with DCDC to see if the City can store the contents from the old City Office in the bar until the new City Office is completed. Council looked over the contract from Ideatek and decided that their decision allowing Ideatek to put fiber optic cables in still remains. Heather Brown will call Terry Slawson to see how much he would charge to take down the snowflake decorations on Main Street. Heather will also call Westar to remind them to secure the pole on the corner of Main and 7th Street. Marianna Granzow had asked Council to consider accepting a donation of her father Rex Hunt's organ. Council agreed that there is no available space to keep the organ, but appreciates the offer. Councilwoman Goss made a motion to approve Heather Brown to attend the City Clerk's Conference on March 12-14, 2014 in Wichita. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Heather applied for a scholarship for this conference and expects to hear back in February.

Open Forum: Councilman Traynor has decided to attend League of Kansas Municipalities training only. Councilwoman Goss would like Heather to keep an eye out for a catalog selling flags for flag poles.

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