

Dwight City Council Minutes

July 15, 2013

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on July 15, 2013. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis, Eddie Vineyard and Kathy Worrell. Councilman John Traynor was absent.

Visitors present: Margaret VanEperen addressed Council concerning sewer lines. Council agreed to have the main sewer lines in her area videoed during sewer cleaning. Cindy Jensen from Aldrich & Company presented the 2012 audit report and indicated no discrepancies were found. Butch Roberts asked Council about removing old metal from ball field area. Andy Masenthin, Ben Moore, Scott Moore, Chris Stewart, Ronnie Gallaway, Donald Glessner and Lisa Lee were also present.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner provided a written report. He reported that he had been mowing. He had cleaned up trees and bushes at the park. The trimmer and chainsaw had been repaired. Manholes will need to be uncovered for sewer cleaning.

Water Manager Report: Ronnie Gallaway provided a written report. The most recent water sample had not been received by the lab. An issue has existed for several months with samples mailed through the Postal Service. Other options may need to be looked into. A tree will need to be removed by the well house. Mayor Johnson thanked him for putting up flags for July 4th.

City Treasurer: Mina Miller was absent but provided the quarterly report. All numbers matched with the City Clerk and looked good.

Dog Catcher Report: None.

City Clerk Report: Lisa Lee reviewed the financial reports. She reported that the Kansas Sales Tax rate had been reduced effective July 1.

City Attorney Report: Mayor Johnson administered the Oath of Office to Bentson Oleen. His rate will be \$125 per hour.

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

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Ellis moved to approve the bills as presented with the additions of the audit filing fee to the State and Mina Miller's pay. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence: A letter was received concerning a water deposit. City Clerk Lee was directed to send a return letter indicating the deposit would be refundable if water payments were received timely for 12 months. The Community Building Brownsfield test results showed that there is no asbestos in the building. The City was not successful in obtaining a JOBS grant.

Old Business: Mayor Johnson suggested building the new City Office on the lot where the old office is. Ben Moore reported he had not received any more information from USDA. Scott Moore from Flint Hills Frontiers discussed the CDBG Grant. The LMI surveys which have been distributed are an essential part of the process. The CDBG Grant needs to be written in August. The City could possibly have Americorp or a youth organization do some work as part of a grant for a small stipend.

New Business: No applications have been received for Dog Catcher. Councilwoman Goss moved to pay Ronnie Gallaway the regular dog catcher pay until a replacement is found. Councilman Vineyard seconded. Motion carried 4-0. Codification of the City ordinances was discussed as well as establishing Municipal Court. A special City Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 29th at 7 PM for the purpose of visiting with grant writer Donna Crawford and codification of the City ordinances. Ben Moore reviewed the changes that would need to be made to get the existing storm shelter usable. Ben and Lisa will look into grant possibilities.

Open Forum: A Patriotic Cantata will be presented on August 3rd at 6:30 at the Community Building. DCDC will provide refreshments. The City Office will be closed first full week of August.

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