

## Dwight City Council Minutes

June 19th, 2017

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on June 19th, 2017. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis, John Traynor, Richard Lindgren and Kathy Worrell.

Visitors present: David Lighthall, Lester Pletcher, Butch Roberts, Chris Stewart, and City Clerk Heather Brown were also in attendance.

Lester requested the \$750.00 new water meter/pit be waived for his new stick built home construction. Council members discussed and checked Ordinance. Councilwoman Ellis moved to waive the \$750 connect fee for Lester Pletcher for new construction in Block 52. Councilman Traynor seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Heather will contact Larson Construction for the needed work. Councilman Traynor stated that the City needs to update the Ordinance regarding the price of a new meter/pit due to rising prices. Council will discuss further at a later meeting.

Butch Roberts stated that he is still the President of the Dwight Ball Association. He informed Council of issues at the ballfield regarding the water leak and problems at the snack shack. Heather presented a report showing that the water line to the ballfield leaked 44,000 gallons in May. Larson Construction has repaired one leak but has been unable to find this significant leak. Until the leak can be found, Ryan Taylor will turn the water on for ball games only.

David Lighthall stated that he called dig safe to get locates to have the John Carter Swartz sign hung back up at the ballfield. Volunteers will help David hang the sign up.

Additions to Agenda: None.

Minutes: Councilwoman Goss moved to accept the minutes of the May 15th, 2017 regular meeting as presented. Councilman Lindgren seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was not in attendance but provided a written report. Councilwoman Worrell asked Heather when the rest of the new street signs will be put up. She would like them up before Summerfest on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Mayer Specialty Services did their routine sewer cleaning on June 6<sup>th</sup>. They cleaned out a plugged line at 9<sup>th</sup> and South. Heather has ordered gravel from Jim Barber, but it has not been delivered yet. He had the Tire Shop put four new tires on the City Truck. He stated that he needs to repair the roof on the City Park.

Water Manager Report: Water Manager Ryan Taylor was not in attendance but provided a written report. Biological samples have all come back normal. Ricky Worrell helped him with the electrical at the pump house so the chlorinator comes on when the pump turns on. He tested for Class I Small Systems water operator on May 18<sup>th</sup> and passed. He stated that he cleaned the bathroom at the City Park.

Dog Catcher Report: Ricky Worrell was not in attendance but provided a written report. A resident called to complain about a dog barking. Another resident called regarding her dog getting loose due to storms. She was able to find her the next day.

City Treasurer Report: Mina Miller was not able to make this meeting. She will attend the July meeting to present the quarterly Treasurer Report.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. She also provided a written Clerk Report. She mailed out several weed/junk violation letters. She ordered 12 loads of gravel from Barber Construction. She had to call Services Unlimited on June 14<sup>th</sup> to repair the Air Conditioner at the Community Building. They recommended the units at the Community Building and the Library be replaced soon due to age and problems. Heather will advertise for bids. She called Union Pacific regarding the train blowing the whistle and idling close to town during the night. They stated that they would take care of the issue.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Johnson provided a written report. He attended Flint Hills Regional Council meetings on May 19<sup>th</sup> in Clay Center and on June 16<sup>th</sup> in Alma. Two State Senators and three State Representatives held a discussion and answered questions on the recently completed Legislative Sessions.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Ellis moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Carrot-Top Industries Inc. for Dwight Main Street banners for \$957.52 (\$500 of this was paid by a grant from Tri-County Telephone.) Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: Heather presented the Sanitary Survey Inspection Water report to Council. No deficiencies were found. She also received the Condition Assessment Report of the stand pipe from Utility Service Group. The inspection was performed on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Old Business: Tabled Community Building usage fee until the July meeting. Councilman Lindgren moved to accept the bid of \$327.00 for the purchase of the John Deere 280 lawn tractor submitted by David Lighthall. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The wellhead bids were tabled until the July meeting.

New Business: Services Unlimited submitted proposals for new A/C units at the Dwight Library and Community Building. They also stated that before any new units are installed the floor in the furnace room needs replaced. The floor joist needs replaced due to sagging and is lacking support for new units.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Worrell was asked by Jennifer Rose where to take the trash from the ballfield. Council stated that she can take it to the City Park dumpster. Councilwoman Ellis gave her formal resignation from City Council. July 17<sup>th</sup> will be her last meeting. She will submit a written resignation by then. Mayor Johnson will begin looking for a replacement to appoint to her position. Councilwoman Goss asked if the sign outside the Library on the corner can be painted after Summerfest. She would like to have it say %Welcome to Dwight+with a picture of wheat on it. Mayor Johnson stated that Mina Miller's mother passed away. Councilwoman Goss made the motion to donate \$25 to Friends of the Animals in Babe Carr's name.

Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Heather will get a card for Mina. Mayor Johnson asked Council if had read the note at the end of his report suggesting that City Employees and Council donate their Council meeting pay to the Morris County Hospital remodel. No decision was made at this time.

Adjournment: Councilman Lindgren made the motion to adjourn with Councilwoman Ellis seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on July 17th, 2017 at 7 PM.