Dwight City Council Minutes

November 17th, 2014

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on November 17th, 2014. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis and Kathy Worrell.

Visitors present: Butch Roberts, Donnie Glessner, Ricky Worrell and City Clerk Heather Brown were present.

Additions to Agenda: None

Minutes: Mayor Johnson asked that a sentence be deleted from page 3. Councilwoman Goss moved to accept the minutes of the October 20th regular meeting as presented with the removal of the sentence. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was in attendance and provided a written report. He has been patching pot holes around town. He purchased two steering arms for the mower for \$71.00. The brush pile is overflowing with wood chips from the trees around town being cut. The grader wond start, may be a possible injector or head gasket problem. Donnie will have someone check it out for repairs. He has winterized the park. He asked Council for help putting the John Carter Swartz sign back up once the weather has warmed up. Butch Roberts volunteered to help him and told Donnie where some poles are to use for the sign.

Water Manager Report: Brad Reynoso was not in attendance but provided a written report. Council agreed to begin paying a guaranteed minimum of an hour per day for the water manager position beginning immediately.

Dog Catcher Report: Ricky Worrell was in attendance and provided a written report. He stated that he has not received any complaints. He has not seen any dogs out. Mina Miller reported by email to Heather that there was a report of a pit bull loose up at the school. Ricky is going to check it out.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. She asked about an unpaid utility account of a deceased individual. She will email Michelle Garrett and see what needs to be done to collect on the account. Councilwoman Ellis asked for an update on an account that was past due and the water had been turned off. There is concern for animals on the property. Heather stated that the individual had called and stated they will pay their account in full in the next couple of days. Once the account is paid water will be turned back on.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Worrell moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Emporia Tractor (\$71.24 from Equipment Reserve fund), Riley Construction (\$7809.30 from Capital Improvement fund) and Morris County Treasurer (\$55.00 General Fund). Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Correspondence: Heather shared the results of the tennis court questionnaire with Council. Eleven questionnaires were returned, 5 yes and 6 no.

Old Business: Donnie hung the basketball nets up at the tennis court. Councilwoman Ellis would like to wait on park renovations until Capital Improvement funds have been discussed at the end of the year. Councilwoman Goss made a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 2014-11-17 an Ordinance adopting the Codification of Ordinances for the City of Dwight, Kansas.

New Business: Donnie stated that the Council Grove Post Office was upset about a mowing bill they received for mowing services by the City of Dwight for the year of 2014. The post office has informed him not to mow anymore until the mowing has been bid out. Council advised Donnie to stop mowing until we hear otherwise. Councilwoman Goss made a motion for Heather to purchase a chair floor mat and a storage cabinet from Staples and area rugs from Walmart for the new office. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Councilwoman Ellis moved to donate \$50 towards the purchase of candy for the DCDC. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Ellis asked when Christmas lights will be put up in town. Heather will call Terry Slawson and get prices for what he would charge to put them up and take them down. Heather asked if Council would be willing to do something nice for Ronnie Gallaway for volunteering his time and helping with moving the City Office. Council approved for Heather to purchase a \$30 gift card from Walmart for Ronnie.

Adjournment: Councilwoman Goss moved to adjourn with Councilwoman Ellis seconding. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.