

Dwight City Council Minutes

September 16, 2013

The Dwight City Council met in regular session at 7 PM on September 16, 2013 following the budget hearing at 6:30 PM. Mayor Galen Johnson presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Pam Goss, Melissa Ellis, Eddie Vineyard, John Traynor and Kathy Worrell.

Visitors present: County Clerk Michelle Garrett discussed the budget. Ross Olson from the Dwight Masonic Lodge asked Council to consider allowing the Lodge to use the community building for their meetings. They also requested use of the small storage room to store Lodge belongings and offered to pay a usage fee. City Clerk Lisa Lee, Deputy City Clerk Heather Brown, dog catcher Joe Kossmann, Butch Roberts, George Stewart, Chris Stewart and Ben Moore were also in attendance.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was not in attendance, but provided a written report. Mayor Johnson purchased a new weed eater.

Water Manager Report: Ronnie Gallaway reported that gas line repairs would be done by September 17, 2013. The water salesman repairs had been completed.

Dog Catcher Report: Joe Kossmann stated that he cleaned out the kennels and that a hinge is broken. He inquired about getting magnetic signs for the city vehicles.

City Clerk Report: Lisa Lee reviewed the financial reports and reviewed year-to-date budget numbers. She reviewed accounts that would be sent to collections. Lisa also welcomed Heather Brown, who will be taking Lisa's place when she leaves.

Minutes: Councilwoman Ellis moved to accept minutes of the August 19, 2013, meeting as presented. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Goss moved to accept the Special Meeting minutes of September 8, 2013 as presented. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Goss moved to pay bills as presented including the dog catcher monthly pay. Councilman Vineyard seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: No correspondence.

Old Business: Mayor Johnson didn't go to the FHRC meeting. He will plan on going to the next one.

Ben Moore presented plans for the new City Office. Councilman Vineyard moved to pay Ben Moore to draw the plans for the new city building with an alternate for the storage area. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 3-2. (Goss and Ellis) Lisa Lee will send a letter to the Alta Vista City Council about joint municipal court. Council members are to review the draft of the municipal code. A special meeting will be held with the LKM Staff for the final approval.

Councilwoman Worrell moved to hire Heather Brown as Deputy Clerk at \$10.50 per hour for approximately twenty hours per week with a ninety-day probation. Councilman Vineyard seconded. Motion carried 4-1. (Goss) The office will continue to be open 8:15-10:15 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Councilwoman Ellis moved to have Mayor Johnson, Councilman Traynor, and Heather Brown as authorized signers at Farmers State Bank. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business: Councilwoman Goss moved to approve the budget as published. Councilman Vineyard seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Worrell moved to replace Charter Ordinance 1202 with Charter Ordinance 1214. Councilwoman Worrell withdrew her motion. Councilwoman Worrell moved to amend Charter Ordinance 1202 by removing "said officer must reside within a ten mile radius of said city." Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-1. (Goss) The Mayor may vote on a Charter Ordinance.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Ellis is to provide recommendations for playground equipment at the next Council meeting. Cantata practice will begin the first Thursday of October. The Cantata will be held on December 8th. Santa's appearance at the Cantata was discussed. Heather Brown thanked council for hiring her.

Adjournment: Councilman Vineyard moved to adjourn with Councilwoman Goss seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 PM.