

## Dwight City Council Minutes

September 18th, 2017

The Dwight City Council met in regular session on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7 PM. Council President Pam Goss presided and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Kathy Worrell, John Traynor, John Talley and Richard Lindgren. (Mayor Galen Johnson arrived later.)

Visitors present: Jan Davis, Butch Roberts, Cindy Jensen, City Attorney Ben Oleen, Gary Stith (FHRC), Larry Thomas, Maintenance Manager Donald Glessner, Water Manager Ryan Taylor and City Clerk Heather Brown.

Cindy Jensen provided Council with the annual audit report for 2016. She reported no problems. Heather will complete necessary paperwork to file the audit.

Gary Stith, Flint Hills Regional Council, was in attendance to answer questions by Council regarding his help applying for possible grants towards a new Community Building. Gary will put together a proposal and send to the City. Council discussed keeping the building in the same location of the current Community Building and using the current windows since they are newer.

City Attorney Ben Oleen explained the procedures to condemn abandoned properties. He also explained the procedure to clean up properties. The first step will be to devise a list of properties that need condemned/demolished. Ben will lay out the procedures that need to be taken and get back in touch with Council. Heather provided him a copy of the City of Dwight code book.

Minutes: Councilwoman Worrell pointed out that in the minutes it was incorrectly reported that there were five dogs in cages. There was only one dog in a cage, three tied up and one in the house. Councilwoman Worrell moved to accept the minutes of the August 21st, 2017 regular meeting. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was in attendance and provided a written report. Donald reported that the City should purchase new flags for Main Street due to wear of the current flags. Heather and Councilwoman Goss will devise a list of all flags and signs that need to be ordered. Rick at NAPA would like to schedule the yearly maintenance of the City mower. Donald discussed the distance of the sewer line on Grove Street with Mayer Specialty Services. Nine stop signs need replaced on 8<sup>th</sup> Street. He discussed streets needing chip and seal to include 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Councilwoman Goss requested for Donnie to go down 4<sup>th</sup> Street with the road grader due to repairs made by Kansas Gas Service. Councilman Traynor stated that the culvert by his house is collapsing and asked if Morris County needed to make the needed repairs. Heather reported that no bids were received for the tree limb work needing done. Mayor Johnson will get in touch with Jeff Blosser from Morris County to discuss work needing done on 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

Mayor Johnson arrived at 8:09 PM.

Water Manager Report: Water Manager Ryan Taylor was in attendance and provided a written report. Biological samples have all come back normal. He checked the alarm and battery backup at the water tower. The backup needs replaced again. He believes it will be better to purchase a new battery for the old backup. Ryan ran well #1 and it is ok on CL2 levels. He put a new cap on the hydrant on the end of Front Street. He will make all needed roof repairs at the pump house.

Dog Catcher Report: Ricky Worrell was not in attendance but provided a written report. Nothing to report. Councilwoman Worrell mentioned that the City needs to buy new light bulbs for the City Park.

City Clerk Report: Heather Brown reviewed the financial reports. She also provided a written Clerk Report. Heather provided Council with an updated amortization schedule for the general obligation bonds. She spoke with Cher Olsen regarding painting the welcome sign outside of the Dwight Library. Cher is willing to do the project down the road.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Johnson provided a written report. He gave options to be considered regarding an updated Community Building. He requested a \$50 donation to Dwight CDC to purchase candy for the October 29<sup>th</sup> Trunk or Treat Halloween party at the City Park.

Review and approval of bills: Councilman Traynor moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Core & Main for \$74.53 for a water Maingaurd cap. Councilwoman Worrell seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: Heather shared a letter from Kansas Department of Health and Environment regarding a City of Dwight dump site visit on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. The site was found to be in acceptable condition. The next scheduled visit will be in 2022.

Old Business: Chris Grant, Morris County Leadership class, stopped by to measure for the Blessings Box that will be placed outside of the City Office in the near future. The box will be placed along the North side of the building on the far West side and will be painted brown with yellow trim.

New Business: Council discussed Ordinance #200D regarding vicious dogs in the City. Heather requested a new City Office telephone. Councilwoman Goss moved to allow Heather to purchase a new City Office telephone. Councilman Talley seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Worrell moved to donate \$50 to the Dwight CDC for Halloween candy. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Mayor Johnson asked Donald to spread a load of gravel out by the water tower. Councilwoman Goss stated that she will come to the City Office to discuss ordering flags, a truck route sign, 7<sup>th</sup> Street and stop signs

through Evangeline Specialties since the City has a \$339 credit there.

Adjournment: Councilman Talley made the motion to adjourn with Councilman Lindgren seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on October 16th, 2017 at 7 PM.