

## Dwight City Council Minutes

August 20th, 2018

The Dwight City Council met for a regular Meeting on August 20th, 2018 at 7 PM. Mayor Galen Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Council President Pam Goss, John Traynor, John Talley, Richard Lindgren and Jan Davis.

Also Present: Water Manager Ryan Taylor, City Clerk Heather Brown, and Dog Catcher Ricky Worrell.

Visitors present: Kathy Worrell, Karl Kempher, Anna Mae Robidou, Chris Stewart, County Clerk Michelle Garrett, Chris Fox, Larry Thomas, Mike and Tamara Shinn.

County Clerk Michelle Garrett presented the budget for 2019. Dwight has the lowest levy in the county. Councilwoman Goss made the motion to approve the budget as presented. Councilman Lindgren seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Karl Kempher was present to discuss his water bill due to the meter operating incorrectly. Ryan installed a meter and it is functioning properly. Council discussed and adjusted his bill to \$70 for the month of June and \$70 for the month of July. Once the new meter has been read more adjustments may be made. Council will discuss further at the September meeting.

Larry Thomas, Mike Shinn, Tamara Shinn and Anna Mae Robidou discussed issues going on in the City.

Chris Fox presented material to discuss plans to remodel the Community Building. The entire floor has been shimmed up in the past and about four layers of floor lay down presently. The structure underneath needs addressed. Total cost of needed remodel \$44,300.50. Council will make a decision as soon as possible. A community meeting will be held in the near future to discuss concerns and ideas.

Additions to agenda: None.

Minutes: Councilman Traynor moved to accept the minutes of the July 16th, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Davis seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was not in attendance but provided a written report. He reported that the sewer facilities are in good shape and operating well. He reported that the ball field has been mowed and is in good shape. He patched pot holes on Main and 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Ryan shared a list of the streets that need gravel laid.

Water Manager Report: Water Manager Ryan Taylor was in attendance and provided a written report. Biological samples have all come back normal. He installed a meter at 405 Main Street. He met with Ricky about fixing Well #2. He replaced a line on the chlorinator and ran the well. Ryan also replaced the hose on the water salesman. He checked the alarm and battery backup as well.

Dog Catcher Report: Ricky Worrell was in attendance and provided a written report stating that he has been collecting past due dog registrations and has updated the list for Heather. They found that some residents refuse to pay for dog registrations.

Councilwoman Goss moved to accept Library Ordinance #2018-8-20, a Charter Ordinance allowing Dwight Library Board members to live outside of Dwight but within Morris, Geary and Wabaunsee counties. Councilwoman Davis seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

City Clerk Report: Heather provided a written report. All pledge donors have paid their dues for the Pride in Dwight water project. The State of Kansas conducted a safety inspection on August 2<sup>nd</sup> of the City Office and maintenance shop. They will send a report of the inspection. Mike's Fire Extinguisher came and updated all of the fire extinguishers in the Library, Community Building, Maintenance shop and City office.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Johnson provided a written report.

Review and approval of bills: Councilman Traynor moved to approve the bills as presented to include a bill from MKC for Rodeo in the amount of \$194.50. Councilwoman Talley seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: Heather shared a three page letter from a resident discussing concerns in town.

Old Business: Council is working to establish a City Park Advisory Committee. So far members that have agreed to join are: Ashley Gearhart, Christy Andersen, Kathy Lillich, Peter & Amy Marquardt, and Aubrey Evans. Councilman Traynor and Mayor Johnson will head up the Committee. Councilman Traynor will create a resolution for a City Park Advisory Committee.

Community Building Update: Council discussed the Library still needing a furnace. There was much discussion about the Community Building needing remodeled. Mayor Johnson mentioned a motorcycle rally on September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7 to 10 AM being held in the Community Building along with a biscuits and gravy breakfast. Heather will have the City office open in case more restrooms are needed.

New Business: The League annual conference will be held on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Johnson spoke about the conference and suggested to Council to attend. Cher Olsen painted a new Welcome to Dwight sign to be hung in front of the Library. Councilman Talley made the motion to pay Cher Olsen \$100 for the welcome to Dwight painting. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0 (Cher sent the check back to the City stating she wanted to volunteer her talent for something good.)

Councilman Traynor stated that he would like some more information about transferring money from the water fund to general fund. Mayor Johnson stated that he will speak with Michelle Garrett regarding this. Councilman Traynor made the motion to pay an additional \$10,000 principal paydown on the general obligation loan making the total payment \$33,178.75. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Davis stated that the trees on 8<sup>th</sup> Street need to be trimmed back. Ryan will discuss this matter with Donald. Councilman Traynor mentioned that the stop signs need replaced badly. Heather will pass this information onto Donald to begin updating the stop signs in town.

Adjournment: Councilwoman Davis made the motion to adjourn with Councilman Talley seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:13 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on September 17th, 2018 at 7 PM.