

## Dwight City Council Minutes

August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Dwight City Council met for a regular Meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7 PM. Mayor Galen Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other council members present were Council President Pam Goss, John Traynor, Richard Lindgren, Jan Davis and Sue Mulryan.

Visitors present: Peter Marquardt, Betty Morgan, Ken Batten, Nancy Evans, Mike Shinn, Tamara Shinn, Brenda Switzer, Jessie Batten and Justin Litke.

Also Present: City Clerk Heather Brown, Water Manager Ryan Taylor, Maintenance Manager Donald Glessner

Betty Morgan spoke about sewer manhole #2 being down in the ditch on the southwest part of town and that it is very low and needs raised up. Donald will measure it and Heather will order a riser. He will also assess the other manholes in town to see how many need risers. Tamara Shinn handed out a paper from Manhattan city council. She is still upset that the female german shepard dog in relation to an attack has not been deemed dangerous yet.

Additions to agenda: New business e. Handicap parking on Main Street New Business f. dangerous dog

Minutes: Councilwoman Goss corrected the %minutes+section of the July minutes. Goss moved to accept the minutes of the June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Mulryan seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilman Lindgren moved to accept the minutes of the July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was in attendance and provided a written report. Sewer is operating well. He stated that there are still many pot holes he will repair. The backup generator is still not working and needs to be replaced before winter. The tractor headlight was broke out by a big limb.

Water Manager Report: Water Manager Ryan Taylor was in attendance and provided a written report. Biological samples have all come back normal. The water tower is up and going. A part for the top valve was ordered for the tower by Steve Euler to make needed leak repair.

Dog Catcher Report: Heather provided a written report in lieu of a dog catcher, she stated that she has advertised for the animal control officer position with the Council Grove Republican. Council discussed one application received.

City Clerk Report: Heather provided a written report and financial reports were reviewed. All quarterly taxes and reports were completed. She sent out 15 invoices for \$25 each to people who have not registered their dogs.

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

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Goss moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Mayer Specialty Services for \$1210.00 for work on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 103 7<sup>th</sup> street and to

exclude the \$800 bill from Kansas Gas Service until upper management has been reached. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business: Sewer line extension work was advertised with no bids received. The city will not do the extension for Brenda Switzer or Adam Weibe. Heather will invite Jamie Menon from KSU extension office to discuss PRIDE for the city park committee. Council praised the work completed so far at the city park by the committee. Heather will send out weed violation letters to those needing them. Council discussed the need for a backup generator. The Kansas Gas Service line is about 80 feet away from the current generator if the city decides to go with natural gas. Councilwoman Davis has met with a couple of businesses with bids for a generator and installation work. The used 30kw generator bid from Foley Equipment will not be available after August 20<sup>th</sup>. Jones Electric and Kaufman have both looked at the current generator and will give bids to be discussed next month. Councilwoman Goss will call Morris County to find out where the city property lines are near the generator. Councilman Traynor will check out the ordinance regarding propane tanks and get back with Heather by August 21<sup>st</sup>.

New Business: Vandalism is ongoing in town. Citizens have been complaining about children from three different families in town. Extra sheriff patrols are being conducted. A meet the candidates forum will be held sometime in October for citizens to meet the candidates running for office. Heather will put the information in with the next water bills. Councilwoman Davis will head this up. Councilwoman Goss moved to donate \$25 to the Eddie Vineyard memorial by sending a check to his daughter Kaitlyn Smith. Councilman Lindgren seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilman Lindgren moved to hire Justin Litke as Animal Control Officer with a \$50 per month pay. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Mulryan discussed painting the handicapped parking. Councilman Traynor stated that any changes need to be updated to the current compliance. The ADA compliant rules will be researched.

Councilwoman Mulryan moved to go into executive session to discuss a vicious dog at 8:56 PM for no longer than 15 minutes with Heather included. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Goss moved to go back into regular session at 9:11 PM. Councilman Lindgren seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Peter Marquardt, Justin Litke and John Traynor all spoke. Councilman Lindgren thanked the city park committee for their great work. Councilwoman Goss stated that the sidewalk in front of the post office needs addressed. Ryan will do the work. The community Christmas dinner will be held at the community building on December 11<sup>th</sup> at noon. Mayor Johnson stated that the FHRC meeting was held at the Dwight community building a couple weeks ago. Bob Goss and Malcolm Strom both spoke about the history of Dwight. 21 people in town are delinquent on taxes. 14% of that money should come back to the city. The tax exemption for the city of Dwight tennis court property is in the process of being approved.

Adjournment: Councilwoman Goss made the motion to adjourn with Councilman Lindgren seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7 PM.