

## Dwight City Council Minutes

December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Dwight City Council met for a regular Meeting on December 16<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. Christmas treats were shared.

Visitors present: Brenda Switzer and Peter Marquardt

Also Present: City Clerk Heather Brown, Water Manager Ryan Taylor, and Animal Control Officer Justin Litke.

Additions to agenda: Jordan Fetters water hydrant was bumped by hay bales. Will discuss possibly waiving half the water bill in new business.

Minutes: Councilwoman Goss moved to accept the minutes of the November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Mulryan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner was not in attendance but provided a written report. Sewer is operating well. The road grader is being stored at Mayor Johnson's shop while the cylinders are being repaired. Lester Pletcher is doing the work on the cylinders and valve bodies with Ginder Hydraulics repairing the cylinders.

Water Manager Report: Ryan Taylor was in attendance and provided a written report. He and Donald installed a new Community Building door. The door will need a coat of paint in the Spring. He is waiting on nitrate test bottles from KDHE to begin testing of both back up wells. The last time the wells were tested was in 2005. Well #1 meter is working fine but well #2 quit working. It was just installed brand new a year and a half ago. Heather will check with Core and Main to see if the meter is under warranty. Ryan reported that he flushed both wells. He ran 53,000 gallons from well #1.

Animal Control Officer Report: Justin Litke was in attendance and provided a written report.

City Park Committee Report: Nothing new to report since the last meeting. Peter and Heather stated that Dig Safe will be called in the Spring to install the disc golf baskets.

City Clerk Report: Heather provided a written report and financial reports were reviewed. Some residents and Council members donated \$111.00 to Care and Share. This fund was started by Sheryl Key.

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

Review and approval of bills: Councilman Traynor moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Mike's Fire Extinguisher Sales and Service for \$76.00. Councilwoman Davis seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business: Andy Masenthin has requested that the city vacate the alley at 428 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Council reviewed water and sewer maps. Councilwoman Mulryan moved to vacate the alley at 428 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 4-1. (Traynor)

David Lighthall submitted his \$301.00 check for the old backup generator. Jones Electrical requires 40% payment upfront at time of contract signing which totals \$5691.87. The total contract amount for the new generator is \$14,229.68. Heather will get ahold of Kansas Gas Service to see where they are at with getting the gas line to the new generator installed. Councilwoman Goss moved to sign the contract with Jones Electric making the down payment of \$5691.87 to come from the sewer fund. Councilman Lindgren seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business: Councilwoman Goss moved to transfer \$5000 from the General Fund to the Equipment Reserve Fund. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Traynor made a motion to accept Mayor Johnson's recommendation of a 2% cost of living raise to Donald Glessner, Heather Brown and Ryan Taylor. Councilwoman Mulryan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilwoman Mulryan moved to give Donald Glessner, Heather Brown and Ryan Taylor a \$100 Christmas bonus and a \$75 Christmas bonus to Justin Litke and Mina Miller. Councilwoman Goss seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilwoman Goss moved to forgive half of the additional water bill in the amount of \$45 for Jordan Fetters water leak to be shown as a credit on his next bill. Councilwoman Davis seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Mulryan thanked everyone for allowing her to participate on Council. Councilman Lindgren also thanked Council for allowing him to participate, he stated that it has been eye opening. Peter Marquardt stated that this was a nice meeting and the most productive he has seen in a while. Heather thanked Council members for the cost of living increase and bonus and stated that she will miss Councilman Lindgren and Councilwoman Mulryan. Brenda Switzer wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Adjournment: Councilman Lindgren made the motion to adjourn with Councilwoman Mulryan seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7 PM.