

## Dwight City Council Minutes

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The budget hearing was held at 6:30 PM. Council President Pam Goss called the hearing to order. Visitor was Andy Masenthin. Other council members present at the hearing were John, Traynor, Aubrey Evans, Brenda Switzer and Jan Davis. Councilwoman Switzer moved to accept the proposed budget as presented with a 1.8% increase. Councilwoman Jan Davis seconded. Motion carried 4-1. (Traynor)

The Dwight City Council met for a regular Meeting on August 17th, 2020 at 7 PM. Council President Pam Goss opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other council members present were John Traynor, Aubrey Evans, Brenda Switzer, and Jan Davis. Masks were required at the meeting however one council member refused to wear one.

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

Visitors present: Jessie Batten, Nancy Evans, Andy Masenthin, Tracy Henry and Carla Gilbert.

Tracy Henry is with the Greater Morris County Development Corporation. She handed her card out to council members and introduced herself. She is available to the city if needed for grant writing or other needs. Carla Gilbert stated that she had planned on speaking but the individual she wanted to speak about was not present. She requested that the minutes be hung up in the city office window.

Additions to agenda: Mayer Speciaty Services new business c.

Minutes: Change the wording %three+to %four+under the animal control report. Councilwoman Evans moved to accept the minutes of the July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 regular meeting with the correction. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Maintenance Manager Report: Donald Glessner provided a written report. He reported that the sewer facilities are in good shape and operating well.

Water Manager Report: Water Manager Ryan Taylor provided a written report. Biological samples have all come back normal.

PRIDE Report: Angela Harris was not present but provided a written report. Councilwoman Goss stated that she will buy a new tetherball for the city park with her own money.

Animal Control Report: Justin Litke provided a written report.

City Clerk Report: Heather provided written reports and financials. She has completed the quarterly tax reports.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Johnson was not present but provided a written report.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Switzer moved to approve the bills with additions of Chain Reaction \$210.00 and Justin Litke \$38.35. Councilwoman Evans seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: Heather read a letter from Mayor Galen Johnson. He is resigning his position as Mayor effective August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020. As Council President, Councilwoman Goss will become Mayor. She accepted the position.

Old Business: Discussion of a Municipal Court Ordinance was tabled for the time being. Councilwoman Switzer reviewed community building options that were discussed in 2018. She would like the city to look at possibly repairing the floor joists. Council appointed Switzer to be in charge of searching for no cost bids to repair the floor joists. Heather will advertise for bids in the Council Grove Republican..

New Business: Heather will advertise for bids to clean out trees and other debris from ditches. Councilman Traynor made the motion to pay an additional \$10,000 principal on the general obligation bond. Councilwoman Evans seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Goss made the motion to accept the contract for 2021-2023 with Mayer Specialty Services. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Councilwoman Davis volunteered to cut trees on Eighth Street South of the underpass in the ditch along with volunteers. Councilwoman Switzer and Councilwoman Goss volunteered. Heather stated that Councilwoman Goss will need to add her signature to the signature card at Farmers State Bank. Galen Johnson will be removed from the card. Heather will get a certificate for Galen for his years of service. Councilwoman Goss thanked everyone for their civility during the meeting. She stated that her phone number is in the phone book if anyone needs anything.

Adjournment: Councilwoman Goss made the motion to adjourn with Councilwoman Switzer seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at 7 PM.