

Dwight City Council Minutes
September 30th, 2020

The Dwight City Council met for a regular Meeting on September 30th, 2020 at 7 PM. Mayor Pam Goss opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other council members present were John Traynor, Aubrey Evans and Brenda Switzer (by telephone).

Also present: Animal Control Officer Justin Litke and City Clerk Heather Brown.

Visitors: Peter Marquardt, Carol Bondurant, Rob Bondurant, Nancy Evans, Jessie Batten, Susan Mulryan, Mike and Tamara Shinn.

Jan Davis submitted a letter of resignation from council. Mayor Pam Goss appointed Susan Mulryan and Peter Marquardt as new council members. They each read their oaths aloud and signed them. Councilwoman Evans made the motion to accept Susan Mulryan and Peter Marquardt as new council members. Councilman Traynor seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Additions to agenda: Audit, City truck brakes

Minutes: Councilwoman Evans moved to accept the minutes of the August 17th, 2020 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Switzer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

PRIDE Report: Angela Harris was not in attendance, but provided a written report. She received the tee and mandatory signs from Chain Reaction and needs to install posts now. The chain link fencing that was donated by USD 417 has been delivered. Councilman Traynor and Councilman Marquardt will make an inventory of any other supplies that are needed to install the fencing around the basketball court. Volunteers are needed to do the installation. Councilwoman Goss read a letter that will be mailed to Wal-Mart that recognizes PRIDE as part of the city of Dwight so that they can apply for grants. Councilwoman Evans made the motion to accept the letter. Councilman Marquardt seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilman Marquardt made the motion to purchase materials with a maximum of \$100 for tee posts. 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.

Water Manager Report: Ryan Taylor was not in attendance but provided a written report.

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

City Clerk Report: Heather provided a written report and financial reports were reviewed.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Switzer moved to approve the bills as presented with the addition of Ben Smith Trucking for gravel for \$2,895.19. Councilman Marquardt seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Correspondence: None.

Old Business: The community building fascia board is still in need of repair. The new street signs and stop signs that were ordered have been put up. The Municipal Court Ordinance will be tabled until the October meeting. Heather will get Councilwoman Mulryan and Councilman Marquardt a copy to review. It was decided to hold off on city-wide yard sales until the spring. Council members discussed getting a dumpster to use during the city-wide clean-up. The city-wide clean-up is scheduled for October 24th, 2020. There were no bids received for ditch cleaning. Heather will contact a couple of people to see if they are interested in putting a bid in. A local group of volunteers trimmed the trees on 8th street.

New Business: Council reviewed the audit conducted by Cindy Jensen. Heather will file the audit with the state. Councilwoman Switzer moved to allow Ryan Taylor to replace the brake lines on the city truck. Councilwoman Evans seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Mike and Tamara Shinn stated that they will no longer mow anything past the 6 foot fence around their property. Councilwoman Mulryan moved to accept the bid from Jeff Kratzer for \$10 for the 9th & Cypress Street signs. Councilwoman Evans seconded. Motion carried 5-0. All other street and stop signs will be for sale for \$5 each. Councilman Marquardt thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve on council. Councilwoman Mulryan asked why Councilman Traynor was not wearing a face mask since it is posted on the front door that it is a requirement. He stated that he can maintain a six foot distance and will wear it when he can. Councilman Traynor would like a council work date to be planned soon. Mayor Goss asked everyone to bear with her and hopes for a peaceful council. Councilman Marquardt asked about appointing a council president. Mayor Goss stated that she would like to do that possibly at the October meeting.

Adjournment: Councilman Marquardt made the motion to adjourn with Councilwoman Evans seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on October 19th, 2020 at 7 PM