

Dwight City Council Minutes

January 17th, 2022

At 6:30 PM, Mike Shinn and Susan Mulryan were sworn in as council members. Pam Goss was sworn in as Mayor. They each read the oath aloud.

The Dwight City Council met for a regular meeting at the Dwight Library on January 17th, 2022 at 7 PM. Mayor Pam Goss opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other council members present were Peter Marquardt, Brenda Switzer, Susan Mulryan, Mike Shinn and Andrew Beamer.

Also Present: Maintenance Manager Donald Glessner, Water Manager Ryan Taylor, City Clerk Heather Brown, and City Treasurer Mina Miller.

Visitors present: Nancy Evans

Additions to agenda: Personnel matters in new business.

Minutes: Councilman Marquardt moved to accept the minutes of the December 20th 2021 regular meeting as presented. Councilwoman Switzer 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. Councilwoman Mulryan stated that the city truck needs maintenance on the doors. Council members encouraged Donald to use the city truck for city business instead of his personal truck. Council requested that maintenance records be kept by Heather on all city equipment. Andrew will send Heather a maintenance list sample to use to keep track of city maintenance on city equipment/vehicles. Ryan stated that he performed maintenance on the city office water heater.

Water Manager Report: Water Manager Ryan Taylor provided a written report. Biological samples have all come back normal. Ryan asked Heather to put the city on the Kansas One Call list. The monthly water use summary was within normal range.

Councilwoman Mulryan moved to allow Ryan and Donald to attend the Kansas Rural Water Association conference on March 29th through March 31st in Wichita. The city will cover the cost of the conference and hotel. They will drive the city truck. Councilman Beamer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Pride report: Angela Harris was not present but provided a written report. They continue to meet on the first Monday of each month to plan Summerfest. Summerfest will be held on August 6th, 2022.

City Treasurer Report: Mina Miller provided council with the first quarter treasurer's report and the 2021 Year-end report.

City Clerk Report: Heather provided written reports and financials. She shared the Dwight Community Development Corporation minutes.

Review and approval of bills: Councilwoman Mulryan moved to approve the bills as presented. Councilwoman Switzer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business: Councilwoman Mulryan moved to approve Resolution #2022-2-17 to increase the trash rate from \$14.60 per month to \$16.10 per month. Councilman Beamer seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilwoman Mulryan added that council should review the resolution at an upcoming work session on April 5th, 2022 to discuss other possible changes to the resolution.

Heather stated that she mailed out five letters to the abandoned properties that are in the first wave of properties up for abatement. She will notify the property owners of the appointment date and time for the abatement discussion. Mayor Goss shared the recognition plaque for Former Mayor Galen Johnson. He will be presented with the plaque at the February council meeting.

Marsha Fleming, KDHE, needs a date that the wastewater inspection report corrections will be completed. Mayor Goss to verify approval of June 1st, 2022 as a completion date. Councilman Marquardt gave an update on the generator maintenance. He performed an oil change and checked the plugs. The plugs did not need changed at this time. In the future parts will be purchased from NAPA as the prices there are more cost effective.

The next work session will be held on February 1st at 6:30 PM. Mayor Goss will prepare the list.

New Business: Councilman Beamer moved to appoint Councilwoman Susan Mulryan as Council President. Councilwoman Switzer seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Susan will be added as a signer on the accounts at Farmer's State Bank.

Councilman Marquardt moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters for no longer than 30 minutes at 8:24 PM. Councilwoman Mulryan seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Council moved back into regular session at 8:52.

Councilwoman Switzer moved to go into executive session for continued discussion of personnel matters for no longer than 30 minutes at 8:54 PM. Councilwoman Mulryan seconded. Motion carried 5-0

Council moved back into regular session at 9:03.

Councilman Beamer moved to increase the City Clerk position pay from \$13.71 per hour to \$15.00 per hour and the Water Manager position pay from \$13.17 per hour to \$14.25 per hour. Councilwoman Switzer seconded. Motion carried 3-2.

Councilwoman Mulryan moved to authorize Heather to purchase a DELL Latitude 5520 laptop not to exceed \$2000. Councilman Beamer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Forum: Mayor Goss stated that everyone should be mindful of the time during future council meetings. Everyone needs to be respectful of discussion time in order to move the meetings along in a more timely manner. Heather will invite Galen Johnson to the February meeting to receive his plaque. Councilman Beamer stated that the trading post door will be ready to hang up soon.

Adjournment: Councilman Marquardt made the motion to adjourn with Councilman Shinn seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM. The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held on February 21st, 2022 at 7 PM.