

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of September 9, 2013

Council Meeting No. 9

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, September 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

Council members Brad Unruh, John Reimer, Pat Moore, Lee Birch, and Jason Jones, City Attorney Tim Larson, City Administrator John Carder and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor David Kauffman presiding. A quorum was present.

ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Hesston resident Scott Smith, Utility Billing Clerk Rhonda Prieb, Mike Kellogg with Blue Tee Management, Todd Anderson with SMH Consultants, Utilities Superintendent Scott Robertson, and Jackie Nelson with the Hesston Record

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Lee Birch moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

Mayor Kauffman presented the following employees with Years of Service Awards and thanked them for their service:

- o Rhonda Prieb 10 years (present)
- o John Carder 30 years (present)

- o Roman Theis 15 years
- o Doug Schroeder 15 years
- o Jim Erb 20 years

CONSTITUENCY COMMENTS

Hesston resident Scott Smith was present to discuss the sewer backup damage to his home that occurred during the storm of July 29.

AGENDA ITEMS

UPDATE ON WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS

Todd Anderson with SMH Consultants was on hand to give the Council an update on the Wastewater Improvement Project. The following timeline is tentative:

- Notice to proceed from KDHE – Week of Sept. 16th
- Advertise specifications and contract docs for 30 days
- Bid opening – Week of Oct. 21st
- Council approves winning bid – Oct. 28th

SEMI ANNUAL GOLF COURSE REPORT

Mike Kellogg with Blue Tee Management was on hand to give the Council an annual update on the Hesston Golf Course operations.

APPOINTMENT TO HCEDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Brad Unruh moved to appoint council member Jason Jones to the Harvey County Economic Development Committee Board of Directors replacing council member Brad Unruh. Pat Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0 with Jason Jones abstaining.

RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO HRCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This item will be revisited at the Council Meeting on October 14.

REAP AND REAP WATER COMMITTEE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT

No action was taken at this time.

NOTICE OF HARVEY COUNTY APPROPRIATIONS TO AMBULANCE SERVICES

City Administrator Carder reviewed a notice from Harvey County that indicated ambulance funding will increase by 1.84% for 2014. The total distribution from the County in 2014 will be \$109,629.

DECLARE CERTAIN PROPERTIES AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZE SALE

Brad Unruh moved to declare a list of items located at the Police Department as surplus and authorized them to be sold at silent auction. The motion also declared a 1965 Massey tractor from the Street department as surplus equipment and authorized its sale on Purple Wave. John Reimer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

INSTALL STOP SIGNS IN WEST EMBERS SUBDIVISION

Pat Moore moved to approve the recommendation by Chief Schroeder to place stop signs at three intersections in the West Embers subdivision. Lee Birch seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

LAND PURCHASE

On August 12th, the Council authorized the City Administrator to make an offer to purchase 5-7 acres of property located on Lincoln Blvd. just west of the City Shop.

At this time, it was the consensus of the Council to purchase 5 acres of the property mentioned above.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:45 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to enter into an executive session for 45 minutes to discuss personnel issues with participants in the session being the mayor, council members, city clerk and city administrator. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:30 p.m. the regular meeting reconvened with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:31 p.m. Lee Birch moved to adjourn the regular meeting. John Reimer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk