

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of September 8, 2014

Council Meeting No. 9

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, September 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

J.T. Klaus and Andrew Kovar with Triplett, Woolf and Garretson, Hesston Director of Emergency Services Russ Buller and Jackie Nelson with the Hesston Record.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda by Mayor Kauffman:

- Briefing on I-135 Truck Accident by Russ Buller
- Amos Street Lot - requested by Lee Birch
- Randall Road / Excel Entrance - requested by Brad Unruh
- Lincoln Blvd. Entrance Signage - requested by Jason Jones

CONSENT AGENDA

Brad Unruh moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Lee Birch seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

SERVICE AWARDS

Mayor Kauffman noted the years of service of the following City employees:

- Kyle Headrick.....25 years
- Chris Eilert.....15 years

SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK PROCLAMATION

Jason Jones moved to authorize the Mayor to sign a proclamation declaring September 8-14, 2014 as Suicide Prevention Week. John Reimer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

BRIEFING ON 1-135 TRUCK ACCIDENT

Hesston Emergency Services Director Russ Buller informed the Council about the department's response to a truck accident on I-135 on September 3rd. The accident involved a fire in a semi-trailer carrying hazardous materials. Traffic on I-135 was shut down and diverted through town for a few hours. There was also a secondary traffic accident at the scene when a fire truck struck the semi-trailer inside the safety perimeter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:15 pm Brad Unruh moved to enter into an executive session for 40 minutes to consult with the city bond council. Participants in the session were the mayor, council members, city clerk, city administrator, city attorney and city bond council. John Reimer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 6:55 pm the regular meeting was reconvened with no action taken.

At 6:55 pm Brad Unruh moved to enter into an executive session for 15 minutes to consult with the city bond council. Participants in the session were the mayor, council members, city clerk, city administrator, city attorney and city bond council. John Reimer seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:10 pm the regular meeting was reconvened with no action taken.

PUBLIC HEARING – REVOLVING LOAN WEAVERS GROCERS, LLC.

At 7:15 pm Mayor Kauffman opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Kauffman closed the public meeting at 7:18 pm.

At 7:18 pm Jason Jones moved to enter into an executive session for 30 minutes to discuss confidential financial affairs of a third party. Participants in the session were the mayor, council members, city clerk, city administrator and city attorney. Pat Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:48 pm the regular meeting was reconvened.

It was the consensus of the Council to instruct staff to invite loan applicants Tim and Myshelia Weaver and Richard Drake from the Citizens State Bank to the meeting on October 13th to discuss the loan application.

ORDINANCE NO. 130-2014-123 – ZONING CHANGE 512 N. STREETER

This item will be addressed at the October 13, 2014 Council Meeting.

NOMINATE CITY REPRESENTATIVE TO HESSTON RECREATION AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION BOARD

No action was taken at this time.

APPOINT VOTING DELEGATES TO LKM ANNUAL MEETING

John Reimer moved to appoint Gary Emry and Jason Jones as voting delegates to the League of Kansas Municipalities Annual Conference (October 11-13, 2014). Pat Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0 with Jason Jones abstaining.

WALTERS MORGAN CONTRACT- WWTP IMPROVEMENTS – CHANGE ORDER NO. 2

Brad Unruh moved to approve the change order with Walters Morgan Construction that allows for the removal of retainage on pre-negotiated equipment. Pat Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT INVOICE PAYMENT PROCEDURE

It was the consensus of the Council to allow the City Administrator to use his discretion to determine if the amount of the invoice justifies bringing it before the Council for approval.

AMOS STREET PROPERTY

The Council discussed possible uses for the Amos property, which included parking for the middle school and bathrooms for the nearby soccer fields and baseball practice diamonds.

RANDALL ROAD – EXCEL ENTRANCE

The Council discussed safety and possible improvements to Randall Road relating to the new Excel truck entrance.

ENTRANCE SIGNAGE PLACEMENT

It was the consensus of the Council to have the Mayor appoint a committee to provide feedback for city entrance beautification and signage.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:28 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk