

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of April 13, 2015

Council Meeting No.4

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

Council members Brad Unruh, Jason Jones, Larry Fuqua, Gary Pauls, Clare Moore, City Administrator Gary Emry, City Attorney Tim Larson, and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor David Kauffman presiding. A quorum was present.

ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Hesston Middle School student Faia Fry and her family, Hesston Parks Superintendent Ken Schwanke, Hesston Tree Board Members Gary Voth, Duane Barker, Susan Moore, Tree Board Nominee Carl Boyer, former Council Members Lee Birch and Pat Moore, Street Superintendent Jim Erb, Fire & EMS Director Russ Buller, and Jackie Nelson with the Hesston Record.

PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

Mayor Kauffman presented outgoing Council Member Lee Birch with a plaque and key to the City to commemorate his years of service on the City Council.

SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS

City Clerk Jason Thrasher swore in newly elected council members Larry Fuqua, Gary Pauls, and Clare Moore.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

City Administrator Gary Emry requested the following item be added to the agenda:

- Golf Course Transition Update

Mayor Kauffman added the item to the agenda.

PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

Mayor Kaufman presented Hesston middle school student Faia Fry with a Youth Citizenship Award for her essay entitled "If I Were Mayor".

Hesston Parks Superintendent and Tree Board Liason Ken Schwanke presented a Tree City USA Award to Mayor Kauffman that honored the City's 30 Years in the Tree City USA Program. Tree Board members Gary Voth, Duane Barker and nominee Carl Boyer were also in attendance.

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

Brad Unruh moved to authorize the Mayor to sign a proclamation declaring April 24, 2015 as National Arbor Day. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

APPOINT TREE BOARD REPLACEMENT

Jason Jones moved to approve Mayor Kauffman's nomination of Carl Boyer to fill the unexpired term of Susan Moore on the Hesston Tree Board. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – FIRE RESCUE/PUMPER BIDS

Fire and EMS Director Russ Buller was in attendance to review three bids for the purchase of a Fire Rescue/Pumper truck.

Clare Moore moved to accept the bid from Rosenbauer America in the amount of \$584,316 with a contingency of \$30,000 for the construction of a Fire Rescue/Pumper vehicle. The motion further authorized an up-front chassis progress payment of \$213,669. Staff was tasked with exploring savings opportunities related to accelerated progress payments and were directed to bring these options to the Council in May. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT KIRKHAM MICHAEL – WEAVER STREET

Jason Jones moved to approve the additional services agreement with Kirkham Michael in the amount of \$15,500 for the engineering of Weaver Street from the Amos Street intersection south to the railroad crossing located north of E. Smith Street. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

2015 STREET AND SIDEWALK PLAN

Street Superintendent Jim Erb was present to review the 2015 Street and Sidewalk Program. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with the plan as presented. Bids for projects that require a contractor will be brought before the Council for consideration.

ORDINANCE NO. 030-2015-157 – MAIN TRAFFICWAY: WEAVER STREET

Brad Unruh moved to approve adopt Ordinance No. 030-2015-157 which designates Weaver Street as a Main Trafficway within the City Limits of Hesston. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 130-2015-124 – RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE

Clare Moore moved to adopt Ordinance No. 130-2015-124 which adopts the 2012 International Residential Building Code. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

AG SERVICE WATER LEAK

This item was referred to the May 11, 2015 Council Meeting.

AMOS STREET PROPERTY – AD HOC COMMITTEE

Larry Fuqua moved to confirm Mayor Kauffman's appointments of Brad Unruh and Jason Jones to the Amos Street Property Ad Hoc Committee. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

GOLF COURSE SPRAYER PURCHASE

Clare Moore moved to accept the bid from Kansas Golf and Turf in the amount of \$29,727 which includes \$3,000 for the trade in of an existing sprayer. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 4-0 Brad Unruh abstaining.

SET BUDGET MEETING DATE WITH CITY COUNCIL

It was the consensus of the Council to hold department head 2016 budget meetings on the following dates and times:

- Monday, May 18th at 4:00 pm
- Tuesday, May 19th at 5:00 pm

ANNUAL NOMINATION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Larry Fuqua moved to nominate Brad Unruh as Council President, who will preside over the Council in the absence of the Mayor. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0 with Brad Unruh abstaining.

DISPOSITION OF COUNCIL TABLETS TO HESSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Brad Unruh moved to approve the donation of eight tablet computers to the Hesston Public Library. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

EXCEL INDUSTRIES – SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT

Clare Moore moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Excel Industries Subordination Agreement. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 4-0 with Brad Unruh abstaining.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jason Jones moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

GOLF COURSE TRANSITION UPDATE

City Administrator Gary Emry provided an update on the transition of the golf course from Blue Tee Management back to the City of Hesston with the date of transition being June 1, 2015.

City Attorney Tim Larson recommended a transition agreement be created to manage the turn-over of operations to the City.

K-9 UPDATE

City Administrator Gary Emry provided an update on the K-9 Unit that was recently acquired by the Hesston Police Department.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:00 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to enter into an executive session for 10 minutes for consultation with the city attorney with the participants in the session being the mayor, council members, city clerk, and city administrator. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:10 p.m. the regular meeting was reconvened.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:12 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk