

**CITY OF HESSTON  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES of July 13, 2015**

**Council Meeting No. 7**

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, July 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 and Clare Moore, City Attorney J.T. Klaus, City Administrator Gary Emry and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor David Kauffman presiding. A quorum was present.

**ABSENT**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Jackie Reimer, Mickey Fornaro-Dean, and Beth Shelton with Harvey County Economic Development, Roger Field with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris Chartered, Utilities Superintendent Scott Robertson, Emergency Services Director Russ Buller, Street Superintendent Jim Erb and Jackie Nelson with the Hesston Record.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

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

- South Main Project - Bid from Vogts-Parga Construction

Clare Moore requested the following item be added to the agenda:

- Executive Session to discuss Acquisition of Real Estate

Mayor Kauffman added the items to the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**INTRODUCTION – BETH SHELTON HARVEY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Jackie Reimer and Mickey Fornaro-Dean with the Harvey County Economic Development Council were present to introduce Beth Shelton, a new member of the HCDEC team.

**NOWAK CONSTRUCTION – SOUTH COLLEGE DRIVE SEWER REPAIRS INVOICE**

Larry Fuqua moved to approve the payment of \$10,000 to Nowak Construction for repairs done to the South College sewer line. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**SOUTH MAIN PROJECT – VOGTS PARGA CONSTRUCTION BID**

Brad Unruh moved to approve the bid from Vogts-Parga Construction in the amount of \$60,923.45 for concrete removal and replacement on South Main Street. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**ITRON AUTOMATIC METER READING SYSTEM – EQUIPMENT PURCHASE**

Clare Moore moved to approve the purchase of Itron (AMR) Fixed Network Automatic Meter Reading equipment in the amount of \$414,197.50. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**NATIONAL METER AND AUTOMATION AUTOMATIC METER READING SYSTEM –  
INSTALLATION**

This item was referred to staff to be addressed at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

**UCI UTILITY CONSULTANTS CONTRACT – RANDOM DRUG TESTING**

Jason Jones moved to approve the contract with UCI Utility Consultants to perform random drug and alcohol testing on DOT required gas utility personnel. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**2014 AUDIT REPORT**

Roger Field with Lindburg Vogel Pierce Faris, Chartered presented the 2014 audit of the City's financial statements and answered council questions.

Brad Unruh moved to accept the 2014 audit report. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**EMS BILLING RATE ADJUSTMENT**

Emergency Services Director Russ Buller was present to propose an Ambulance Services billing rate adjustment. The item was referred to staff and will be readdressed at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

**AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT STAFFING PROPOSAL**

Emergency Services Director Russ Buller was present to propose an Ambulance Department staffing model change. The item was referred to staff and will be readdressed at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

**102 S. WEAVER STORAGE BUILDING PROPOSAL**

Emergency Services Director Russ Buller was present to propose improvements to the City-owned 102 S. Weaver building. The item was referred to staff and will be readdressed at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

**AUTHORIZE 2016 BUDGET FOR PUBLICATION AND SET DATE AND TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

Jason Jones moved to approve the 2016 Budget for publication as presented. The motion also set the date for the 2016 Budget Hearing for August 10, 2015 at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**APPROVE 2016-2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Jason Jones moved to approve the 2016-2020 Capital Improvement Plan as presented. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**ADOPTION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Larry Fuqua moved to adopt the following Strategic Plan Goals:

- Beautification
- Recreation
- Community Development

The adoption of these specific goals will give staff an area to focus on to bring options to the Council for consideration. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**SUPERIOR LINEN CONTRACT – GOLF COURSE**

Brad Unruh moved to approve the Superior Linens contract as amended by the City Attorney. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**POLICE VEHICLE TRANSFER TO GOLF COURSE - ACCOUNTING**

This item was presented as information only with no action required.

**WEAVER STREET FINANCING CALENDAR**

This item was presented as information only with no action required.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:35 p.m. Clare Moore moved to enter into an executive session for 20 minutes to discuss the acquisition of real estate with the participants in the session being the mayor, council members, city clerk, city attorney and city administrator. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:55 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to return to open session. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:56 p.m. Larry Fuqua moved to enter into an executive session for 15 minutes to discuss the acquisition of real estate with the participants in the session being the mayor, council members, city clerk, city attorney and city administrator. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 9:11 p.m. Gary Pauls moved to return to open session. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:12 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by  
Jason Thrasher  
City Clerk