

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of October 9, 2017

Council Meeting No.10

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, October 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

Council members Larry Fuqua, Jason Jones, Brad Unruh, Susan Swartzendruber and Clare Moore, City Administrator Gary Emry, City Attorney J.T. Klaus and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor David Kauffman presiding. A quorum was present.

OTHERS PRESENT

Utilities Superintendent Scott Robertson, Parks Superintendent Ken Schwanke and Parks Maintenance Worker Jim Schmidt, Bill Unruh with Excel Industries, county resident Kimberly Kropf, and Jackie Nelson with the Hesston Record.

ADDITIONS / CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

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

- Executive Session
 - Justification: Consultation with City Attorney under Attorney-Client Privilege
 - Purpose: To discuss potential litigation
- Schedule Work Session

Mayor Kauffman added the items to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSTITUENCY COMMENTS

Mayor Kauffman asked for constituency comments.

- County resident Kimberly Kropf, who lives on Hoover Road, voiced complaints about the burn site operations and the condition of Hoover Road leading to the burn site.

Mayor Kauffman directed staff to look into the issues brought forth by Mrs. Kropf.

PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

RED RIBBON WEEK OCTOBER 23-31, 2017

Mayor Kauffman issued a proclamation that declared Red Ribbon Week in Hesston on October 23-31, 2017.

PUBLIC HEARING

TAX EXEMPTION EXCEL INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS

City Attorney/Bond Council J.T. Klaus addressed the Council regarding the resolution and cost benefit analysis. Bill Unruh with Excel Industries was also present to answer questions from the Council concerning the use of the IRB funding.

Mayor Kauffman declared the public hearing open at 6:26 p.m.

Hearing no comments or questions Mayor Kauffman declared the public hearing closed at 6:27 p.m.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 1141 - EXCEL INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS

Clare Moore moved to approve Resolution No. 1141 which authorizes the tax abatement of property acquired with Industrial Revenue Bond proceeds for Excel Industries. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 4-0 with Brad Unruh abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 1142 - PETITION TO VACATE

Larry Fuqua moved to adopt Resolution No 1142, which sets a public hearing to be held on November 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers where all interested parties may appear to discuss the petition, filed by Graber Grain Farms, LLC, to exclude property from the corporate limits of the City. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

PARKS DEPARTMENT – KING PARK FLOORING REPLACEMENT

Parks Department Superintendent Ken Schwanke and Parks Maintenance Worker Jim Schmidt were in attendance to present bids for the replacement of the floor at the King Park Shelter House.

Susan Swartzendruber moved to approve the bid from Refined Coatings in the amount of \$8,486 to stain and polish the concrete floors of the King Park Shelter House. The funds would come from the Parks Equipment Reserve. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

SEWER DEPARTMENT – SLUDGE PUMP PURCHASE

Utilities Superintendent Scott Robertson was in attendance to present a bid for the purchase of a sludge pump for the waste water treatment plant.

Jason Jones moved to approve the bid from IPS in the amount of \$9,578.40 to purchase a sludge pump for the waste water treatment plant. The funds would come from the Utility Maintenance Reserve. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:00 p.m. Larry Fuqua moved to enter into an executive session for a period not to exceed 20 minutes to consult with the City Attorney about information deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship that relates to potential litigation. The participants in the session being the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, City Clerk and City Attorney. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

The executive session ended with no binding action taking place during the session.

At 7:20 p.m. Clare Moore made a motion to exit the Executive Session with no binding action taking place during the session. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

SET DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION FOR COUNCIL / STAFF WORK SESSION

It was the consensus of the Council to hold a work session on October 23rd at noon in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

ADJOURN

At 7:25 p.m. Susan Swartzendruber moved to adjourn the meeting. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk