

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of September 9, 2019

Council Meeting No.11

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, September 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber / Municipal Court Building located at 110 E. Smith Street.

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Council Member Larry Fuqua

OTHERS PRESENT

County resident Royce Enns, Chamber Director Megan Smith, Chamber Board members Luke Logan and Roxana Koch, Hesston resident Larry Koch, Daughters of the American Revolution members, Glenda Golden, Jeri Schrag, Patti Unruh, Annette Cook, Fire & EMS Chief Russ Buller, Police Chief Doug Schroeder, Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike Hulteen and Adam Strunk with the Hesston Record.

CONSENT AGENDA

Brad Unruh moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSTITUENCY COMMENTS

Mayor Kauffman asked for constituency comments.

Council Member Jason Jones publicly thanked Hesston Fire and EMS Departments for their recent fire response to his home.

PROCLAMATION

Hesston resident Jerri Schrag, the Regent for the Newton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, spoke about the patriotic service that this organization provides to the communities in Harvey County.

Mayor Kauffman read a proclamation that declared September 17th – 23rd as Constitution Week in the City of Hesston.

AWARDS

Mayor Kauffman recognized the following Council member and employees for their years of service to the City:

- T.R. Reimer.....10 years
- Brad Unruh..... 20 years
- Kyle Headrick...30 years

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 020-2019-172 – UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE

City Attorney J.T. Klaus and Police Chief Doug Schroeder presented the 2019 Uniform Public Offense Code Ordinance.

Jason Jones moved to adopt Ordinance No. 020-2019-172: Uniform Public Offense Code 2019 edition. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

ORDINANCE NO. 020-2019-173 – STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

City Attorney J.T. Klaus and Police Chief Doug Schroeder presented the 2019 Standard Traffic Ordinance.

Brad Unruh moved to adopt Ordinance No. 020-2019-173: Standard Traffic Ordinance 2019 edition. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0

OLD BUSINESS

EMMA CREEK FLOODING ISSUE – UPDATE

City Administrator Gary Emry provided an update on his contact with various State and Federal agencies concerning the authorization required to have city staff remove debris from Emma Creek. Information provided indicates that a State permit is not required and the project has been scheduled for this fall / winter.

NEW BUSINESS

KS DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND PARKS - ARCHERY RANGE MOU

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike Hulteen was present to discuss the construction of archery range improvements at Interstate Park.

Jason Jones moved to approve the memorandum of understanding between the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism and the City of Hesston to construct an archery range at Interstate Park. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

EFFLUENT WATER USAGE – HESSTON GOLF COURSE

Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike Hulteen was present to provide a report to the City Council on the use of effluent water at the Hesston Public Golf Course.

APPOINT VOTING DELEGATES - LKM ANNUAL MEETING

Clare Moore moved to appoint Jason Jones and Gary Emry as voting delegates to the League of Kansas Municipalities Annual Conference (October 12-14, 2019). Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 3-0 with Jason Jones abstaining.

PIPELINE SAFETY FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS

The City Council was provided information on this topic as per KCC requirements.

CONSIDER REPLACEMENT OF QUNIT 56

Fire and EMS Chief Russ Buller was present to request authorization to replace the 1984 Pierce 75' aerial fire truck due to equipment failure. Chief Buller asked that a 2016 78' Rosenbauer aerial factory demo unit that he had sourced be consider for purchase. The demo unit was priced at \$671,000.

Chief Buller asked for authorization to pay the dealership \$500 to hold the 2016 Rosenbauer Aerial unit for 30 days. It was the consensus of the Council to not authorize the expenditure and to direct Chief Buller to look at other used equipment that could be purchased with existing Fire Equipment Tax Funds and that those options be brought back to the Council at the October 14th Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:55 p.m. Jason Jones moved to enter into an executive session for 45 minutes pursuant to the exemption related to attorney client privilege (K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2)) for the purpose of discussing legal matters. The open meeting would resume in the city council chambers at 8:40 p.m. with those present in the executive session being the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, and City Attorney. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

No binding action was taken during the session.

At 8:40 p.m. Clare Moore moved to resume the regular session. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Jason Jones moved to authorize the payment of a \$10,000 civil penalty for over-use of water at one of the City water wells. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:45 p.m. Brad Unruh moved to adjourn the meeting. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk