

**CITY OF HESSTON  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES of June 8, 2020**

**Council Meeting No. 8**

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, June 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber / Municipal Court Building located at 110 E. Smith Street.

**PRESENT**

Council members Larry Fuqua, 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.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Lorrie Kessler with the Harvey County Health Department, County Resident Royce Enns, Fire and EMS Director Russ Buller, Public Works Superintendent Scott Robertson, Director of Golf Operations Grady Pauls, Parks and Recreation Superintendent Mike Hulteen, Hesston Chamber Director Megan Smith, Luke Logan with the Grocery Store Committee, and Adam Strunk with the Hesston Record.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

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

- School Resource Officer Financials

Mayor Kauffman added the item to the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**CONSTITUENCY COMMENTS**

Mayor Kauffman opened the floor for constituency comments.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Kauffman proceeded to the next item of business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**PEDNET**

Lorrie Kessler with the Harvey County Health Department was present to discuss the bicycle and pedestrian master plan developed by the PEDNET consultants and to review upcoming grant opportunities.

Clare Moore moved to approve the *Hesston, Kansas Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan* as guidance. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Clare Moore moved to authorize Lorrie Kessler with the Harvey County Health Department to make grant applications on behalf of the City to fund components of the bicycle and pedestrian master plan. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**DESIGNATION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**

Brad Unruh moved to declare the Fire/EMS, Public Works, and Parks equipment list as surplus and authorize its sale or disposal. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING – 6:30 P.M.**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARING**

At 6:30 p.m. Mayor Kauffman opened the Public Hearing.

City Administrator Gary Emry briefed the Council on this topic.

At 6:40 p.m. Mayor Kauffman closed the public hearing.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1152 – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT**

Jason Jones moved to approve Resolution No. 1152 which authorizes the City of Hesston to participate in a Community Development Block Grant sponsored by the CARES Act. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **COVID-CV CDBG GRANT ADMINISTRATOR AGREEMENT**

Jason Jones moved to authorize the selection of Ranson Citycode as the CDBG administrator with the following addition to the agreement under *Section 5: Proposed Fees*: “is contingent upon the City receiving the grant.” Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **24” HIGH FLOW PLANER PURCHASE**

Brad Unruh moved to authorize the purchase of an asphalt milling machine from White Star Machinery in the amount of \$16,399.45. The funds would come from the Street Equipment Reserve fund. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **2021 GOLF COURSE FEE INCREASE**

Susan Swartzendruber moved to authorize the increase of the 2021 Golf Course fees as presented. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **FAMILY DOLLAR PROPOSAL**

The Council received the proposal from Family Dollar with no action taking place at the meeting.

It was the consensus of the Council to call a Special Meeting for June 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the Ridge Pointe Development Project.

### **KMGA BOARD DIRECTOR NOMINATION**

Larry Fuqua moved to reappoint City Administrator Gary Emry to a two-year term to the KMGA Board of Directors. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **HESSTON AREA SENIORS CROSSING GUARD AGREEMENT**

Jason Jones moved to approve the Hesston Area Seniors Crossing Guard Agreement as presented. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **EVENT FILING CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT – CITY**

Clare Moore moved to acknowledge the written receipt of the continuing disclosure event filing related to the 2009 Bond Refinancing. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:13 p.m. Clare Moore motioned to recess the meeting of the Hesston City Council and convene a meeting of the Hesston Public Building Commission. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 7:15 p.m. Jason Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Hesston Public Building Commission and reconvene the meeting of the Hesston City Council. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

### **GOLF COURSE DEBRIS REMOVAL**

City Administrator Gary Emry gave the Council an update of the work done to clean up the debris at the golf course along Emma Creek. County resident Royce Enns participated in the discussion.

### **SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FINANCIALS**

City Administrator Gary Emry gave the Council an update on his discussions with School Superintendent Ben Proctor and Police Chief Doug Schroeder regarding the School Resource Officer position. A City/School Memorandum of Understanding will be on the July agenda for approval.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION #1**

At 7:50 p.m. Clare Moore moved to enter into an executive session for 15 minutes pursuant to the exemption related to attorney client privilege (K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2)) for the purpose of discussing pending litigation. The open meeting would resume in the city council chambers at 8:05 p.m. with those present in the executive session being the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, and City Attorney. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:05 p.m. the regular session resumed with no binding action taken during the session.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION #2**

At 8:05 p.m. Jason Jones moved to enter into an executive session for 15 minutes pursuant to the exemption related to attorney client privilege (K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2)) for the purpose of conducting a contract review. The open meeting would resume in the city council chambers at 8:25 p.m. with those present in the executive session being the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, and City Attorney. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:25 the regular session resumed with no binding action taken during the session.

## **ADJOURN MEETING**

At 8:30 p.m. Larry Fuqua moved to adjourn the meeting. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by  
Jason Thrasher  
City Clerk