

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of January 12, 2009

Council Meeting No.1

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

Councilmember's LuAlan Willems, Desiree Martens, Phil Regier, David Kauffman, City Administrator John Carder, City Attorney Tim Larson and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor John Waltner presiding. A quorum was present.

ABSENT

Councilmember John Griffin

OTHERS PRESENT

Ashley Young with the Hesston Record; Russ Buller and Brian Reimer representing Hesston Fire and EMS; and David Gerber, resident of 317 South Ridge Rd.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Phil Regier moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 1065

LuAlan Willems moved to adopt Resolution No. 1065, which waives the use of G.A.A.P. accounting for 2009. Desiree Martens seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR FLOODPLAIN REVISION

David Kauffman moved to enter into an agreement with Earles Engineering to provide engineering services for submittal of a Letter of Map Revision to FEMA. The cost of the agreement is not to exceed \$4,000. Phil Regier seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

VENDOR INVOICES FOR WATER TOWER PROJECT

Desiree Martens moved to authorize payment of \$25,340 to Landmark Construction for work on the Water Tower Project. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

UPDATE ON BID LETTING FOR PUMP STATION WATER TOWER IMPROVEMENTS

City Administrator John Carder updated the Council on the bid letting for the pump station water tower improvements.

AUTHORIZE TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY AND SOIL BORINGS FOR LIBRARY PROPERTY

David Kauffman moved to authorize staff to contract with the following companies for Library improvements: Terracon for soil borings and Garber Surveying for a topography study. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

REAP and WRC ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS

David Kauffman moved to authorize funding for the annual REAP (Regional Economic Area Partnership) assessment of \$1,241 and WRC (Water Resource Committee) assessment of \$1,500. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

DATE AND TOPICS FOR JOINT MEETING WITH USD 460 AND HRCE

It was the consensus of the Council to approve February 23, 2009 as the date for the USD 460 and HRCE joint meeting.

NON-COLLECTABLE EMS ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

LuAlan Willems moved to approve the write-off of the non-collectable EMS accounts receivable as presented. Phil Regier seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

NON-COLLECTABLE MUNICIPAL COURT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

LuAlan Willems moved to approve the write-off of the non-collectable Municipal Court accounts receivable as presented. Desiree Martens seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

NON-COLLECTABLE UTILITY ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

David Kauffman moved to approve the write-off of the non-collectable Utility accounts receivable as presented. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

CONTRACT WITH KMU FOR GAS LINE CORROSION PREVENTION SERVICES

LuAlan Willems moved to approve the aforementioned contract with KMU for \$2,000. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

SIGN REQUEST FROM HESSTON MB CHURCH

David Kauffman moved to approve Hesston MB Church's building permit for a new sign at 610 W. Randall. Phil Regier seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF USED LADDER / PUMPER FIRE TRUCK

Phil Regier moved to authorize Hesston EMS Director Russ Buller to make an offer on the aforementioned Ladder / Pumper Truck as discussed. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE TO KRWA ANNUAL MEETING

LuAlan Willems moved to make the following appointments to the KRWA Annual Meeting: Kirk Matz – voting delegate and Chad Mason – alternate delegate. Desiree Martens seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CONSULTING ON 50 HIGHWAY INITIATIVE

LuAlan Willems moved to authorize up \$2,246 in additional funding to Harvey County EDC for consulting work on the Highway 50 Initiative. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

SIDEWALK REQUEST – 300 BLOCK SOUTH RIDGE

Mr. David Gerber presented his request to the Council for a sidewalk to be built along the 300 block on the west side of Ridge Road. The Council requested that Mr. Gerber speak with his neighbors along this block to gather their opinions on the issue and report back. No further action was taken at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CITY ADMINISTRATORS PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL

At 8:15 p.m. Phil Regier moved to adjourn to a 20 minute Executive Session for the purpose of evaluating the City Administrator's performance for the past year. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

At 8:35 p.m. the regular meeting was reconvened.

KANSAS RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DUES

David Kauffman moved to approve the payment of annual dues to KRWA in the amount of \$720. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR SALARY

Phil Regier moved to increase the City Administrator's annual salary by 4.91% retroactive to January 1, 2009. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Waltner expressed the Council's appreciation for the Administrator's hard work and contribution to the community.

ADJOURNMENT:

Des Martens moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk