

**CITY OF HESSTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

MINUTES of September 14, 2009

Council Meeting No.9

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, September 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

PRESENT

Council member's LuAlan Willems, Phil Regier, David Kauffman, Des Martens, and Brad Unruh; City Administrator John Carder, City Attorney Tim Larson, and City Clerk Jason Thrasher with Mayor John Waltner presiding. A quorum was present.

ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

John Haas, Financial Advisor with Ranson Financial, LLC; Hesston Golf Pro Scott Welsh; Hesston Golf Course Superintendent Randy Bachman; Officer Chris Eilert with the Hesston Police Department; Hesston golfer Rick Vogt, and Tonya Wollenberg with the Hesston Record

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Phil Regier moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

Mayor Waltner presented service awards to the following employees and thanked them for their service to the City:

Chris Eilert – 10 years
Kyle Headrick – 20 Years

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 1069

David Kauffman made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1069 which authorizes the public sale of the City's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009 in the total principal amount not to exceed \$1,621,000 and sets forth the details of the public sale. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

VENDOR INVOICES FOR THE WATER TOWER PROJECT

Des Martens moved to approve payment to Landmark Structures in the amount of \$10,120.00. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

PHASE II OF UPGRADES TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING

Phil Regier moved to authorize the improvements to the Police Department Building in an amount not to exceed \$8,388. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

HAEDC RECOMMENDATION FOR TRANISENT GUEST TAX FUNDING (HESSTON-BETHEL PERFORMING ARTS)

Brad Unruh motioned to approve the recommendation by HAEDC to grant \$3,000 in funding to Hesston-Bethel Performing Arts. Phil Regier seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator John Carder brought the Council up to date on current annexation issues and asked for their direction in pursuing the process. It was the consensus of the Council to direct staff to gather data as to the financial impact on the property owners and report back at the October Council Meeting.

GOLF ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATION TO INCREASE RATES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2009

Hesston Golf Pro Scott Welsh presented a comparison of 2010 Golf Course rates from four local golf courses and recommended raising Hesston's fees.

David Kauffman moved to approve the golf course rate increase recommendation made by the Golf Advisory Board in which green fees would be raised by \$2.00 per round and golf cart rental would be raised by \$1.00. The new rates would be effective October 1, 2009. Des Martens seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

GOLF ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATION TO ALLOW THE SALE OF CEREAL MALT BEVERAGES ON THE GOLF COURSE

Golf Pro Scott Welsh led a discussion concerning the potential financial benefits of allowing the sale of cereal malt beverage at the Hesston Golf Course. He presented data as to the approximate gross revenue of cereal malt beverage sales at several area golf courses.

It was the consensus of the council to take the recommendation under advisement and asked that the item be placed on the agenda in October.

FUNDING REQUEST FROM HARVEY COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ASSAULT TASK FORCE

Brad Unruh moved to approve a \$1,000 grant to the Harvey County Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force for 2009. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PERSONNEL / CONTRACTUAL MATTER

Phil Regier moved to call an executive session at 8:00 p.m. for 45 minutes for the purpose of discussing personnel matters with participants in the session being the mayor, council members, city administrator, city attorney, city clerk, Randy Bachman, and Scott Welsh. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

The executive session adjourned and the regular council meeting reconvened at 8:45 p.m. with no action taken.

CONTRACT WITH GOLF PROFESSIONAL FOR OPERATION OF CLUBHOUSE

Brad Unruh moved to enter into negotiations with Golf Pro Scott Welsh for the operation of the club house at the Hesston Public Golf Course. LuAlan Willems seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Phil Regier moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:20 p.m. David Kauffman seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by
Jason Thrasher
City Clerk