

**CITY OF HESSTON  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES of August 10, 2015**

**Council Meeting No. 8**

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, August 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Hesston Municipal Building.

**PRESENT**

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

**ABSENT**

None

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Marvin Nisly and Steve Ellingboe with Nisly Brothers, Inc., Wayne Scritchfield with Kirkham Michael, Street Superintendent Jim Erb, Utilities Superintendent Scott Robertson, Fire and EMS Director Russ Buller, Jackie Nelson with the Hesston Record.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Brad Unruh moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**2016 BUDGET - PUBLIC HEARING**

At 6:01 p.m. Mayor Kauffman called the public hearing to order.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Kauffman closed the public hearing at 6:02 p.m.

**2016 BUDGET – CPI RESOLUTION NO. 1126**

Jason Jones moved to adopt Resolution No. 1126. This resolution establishes the taxation policy of the city as it relates to the 2016 Budget. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**TAX LID DISCUSSION**

City Attorney J.T. Klaus reviewed the implications of K.S.A. 79-2925b, which defines the steps a city must take to levy taxes over the amount raised in the previous year as adjusted by the CPI.

**2016 BUDGET – ADOPTION**

Brad Unruh moved to approve the 2016 budget as presented. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**NISLY BROTHERS – INTRODUCTION**

Marvin Nisly and Steve Ellingboe with Nisly Brothers, Inc., a municipal refuse and recycle disposal company, were present to introduce themselves to the Council and answer questions about the services their company provides.

**REVIEW BIDS FOR WEAVER STREET WITH ENGINEER**

Wayne Scritchfield with Kirkham Michael was present to review the bids for the Weaver Street Project. The project will be awarded at the September Council Meeting.

**WEAVER STREET INSPECTION SERVICES**

Wayne Scritchfield with Kirkham Michael informed the Council of the approximate cost of full time inspection and observation services for the Weaver Street Project. His verbal estimate indicated the services would cost \$146,000. He will submit a formal bid for these services at the September Council Meeting.

**SCHOOL ZONE BEACONS**

Larry Fuqua moved to approve the bid from Kansas Electric in the amount of \$6,480 for the installation of two school zone beacons on Ridge Road. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**GAS METERS PURCHASE – AMR PROJECT**

Jason Jones moved to approve the bid from D.C. & B. Supply in the amount of \$14,250.61 for the purchase of various gas meters related to the AMR project. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**NATIONAL METER AND AUTOMATION – AMR INSTALLATION PROJECT**

Jason Jones moved to approve the contract with National Meter and Automation in the amount of \$117,396.22 for the installation of gas and water meters and the infrastructure related to the AMR project. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONTINGENCY – AMR EQUIPMENT PURCHASE**

Clare Moore moved to approve the addition of a 7% contingency in the amount of \$28,993.83 to purchase equipment related to the Automatic Meter Reading Project. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT STAFFING**

Fire and EMS Director Russ Buller was present to discuss EMS Department staffing issues. City Attorney J.T. Klaus presented his research on the legality of a staffing scenario where the city would pay a stipend to EMS paid volunteers to be on-call and available to respond to emergencies. The item was referred to staff to gather more data with no action taken.

**AMBULANCE BILL RATE INCREASE**

Larry Fuqua moved to approve the increase to the EMS billing rates as presented. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 020-2015-156 UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENCE CODE**

Jason Jones moved to approve the Uniform Public Offense Code - Ordinance No. 020-2015-156. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 020-2015-157 STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE**

Larry Fuqua moved to approve the Standard Traffic Ordinance No. 020-2015-157. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**ORDINANCE NO. 010-2015-205 AUTHORIZING TRAFFIC PROJECT / G.O. BONDS  
RESOLUTION NO. 1127 AUTHORIZING PUBLIC SALE G.O. BONDS**

Clare Moore moved to table Ordinance No. 010-2015-205 and Resolution No. 1127 until the costs of the Weaver Street Project are known. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE FILING – RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Clare Moore moved to acknowledge the written receipt of the continuing disclosure filings for 2014. Gary Pauls seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**HCEDC NOMINATION AND CONFIRMATION**

Brad Unruh moved to confirm the appointment made by Mayor Kauffman of Chris Thrasher to a 2 year term to the Harvey County Economic Development Board of Directors. Larry Fuqua seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROPOSAL REVIEW PROCESS**

Council Member Clare Moore volunteered to be on the committee that will review the comprehensive plan proposals.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:27 p.m. Jason Jones moved to enter into an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss the acquisition of real estate with the participants in the session being the mayor, council members, city clerk, city attorney and city administrator. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

At 8:37 p.m. Larry Fuqua moved to return to open session. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR BRIEFING**

City Administrator Gary Emry briefed the Council on a meeting he had with Secretary of Transportation Mike King.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:50 p.m. Clare Moore moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Jason Jones seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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