

**CITY OF HESSTON  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES of April 10, 2023**

**Council Meeting No. 6**

The regular meeting of the Hesston City Council was held on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers / Municipal Court Building located at 110 E. Smith Street.

**PRESENT**

Council Members Brad Unruh, Clare Moore, Susan Swartzendruber, and Michael Wallace, 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**

Fire / EMS Director Russ Buller, Library Director Jackie Nelson, and Blake Spurney with Harvey County Now.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Clare Moore requested the following item be added to the agenda:

- Public Forum for City Improvements

Mayor Kauffman added the item to the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**CONSTITUENCY COMMENTS**

Mayor Kauffman opened the floor for constituency comments. Hearing no comments, he proceeded to the next item of business.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 150-2023-040: KMG A NATURAL GAS PRE-PAY AGREEMENT**

Michael Wallace moved to not enter into the KMG A Natural Gas Pre-Pay Agreement as described in Ordinance No. 150-2023-040. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1174: NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN PUBLIC HEARING**

Brad Unruh moved to adopt Resolution No. 1174, which calls for a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on May 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Susan Swartzendruber seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SEWER EXTENSION ENGINEERING QUOTE**

Clare Moore moved to approve the quote from Certified Engineering Design, P.A. in the amount of \$18,000 to design the sewer system for the industrial properties west of the city shop. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**ANNUAL DESIGNATION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Clare Moore moved to nominate Susan Swartzendruber as the Council President for a term running through April 8, 2024. Brad Unruh seconded. Motion carried 3-0 with Susan Swartzendruber abstaining.

**SET COUNCIL AND STAFF BUDGET WORK SESSION**

It was the consensus of the Council to set Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 a.m. in the city council chambers to hold the 2024 Council and Staff Budget Work Session.

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE FILING**

Brad Unruh moved to acknowledge receipt of the annual continuing disclosure filing information that was emailed to the council on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Michael Wallace seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**PUBLIC FORUM - CITY IMPROVEMENTS**

It was the consensus of the council to set Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. at King Park to hold a public forum to discuss city improvements.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:55 p.m., Brad Unruh moved to enter into an executive session for 20 minutes pursuant to the exemption related to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) for the purpose of holding an attorney – client discussion. The open meeting would resume at 7:15 p.m. in the city council chambers, with those present in the executive session being the mayor, city council, city administrator, and city attorney. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

At 7:15 p.m., the regular session resumed with no binding action taken during the session.

**ADJOURN MEETING**

At 7:20 p.m., Michael Wallace moved to adjourn the meeting. Clare Moore seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Recorded by  
Jason Thrasher  
City Clerk