

March 17, 2015

Regular Council Meeting

Members Present: Mayor, Steve Loucks and City Attorney, David Summers.

Council Members: Darlene Crocker, Ron Davis, Jerry Childers, Robert Sullivan, Ann Whistler, Ryan Pennington, and Eric Seyer.

Meeting was opened by Mayor, Steve Loucks.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by David Summers.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the City Clerk. Motion to approve the minutes by Ron Davis with the addition of the three recommendations from the Police Personnel Board as follows:

1. If a ccw class is available, that all police personnel be required to attend.
2. Dash cams and microphones in patrol cars by June 1, 2014
3. Written or verbal apology to Travis Dumey

seconded by Darlene Crocker. Motion Carried.

Building Permits were presented for: Clark Cassou at 214 Dame for a new house in the amount of \$150,000.00. Motion to approve the building permit by Ron Davis, seconded by Darlene Crocker. Motion Carried.

John Testa with Newton and Company advised of two proposals for the City's property and liability insurance from Trident Insurance at \$59,559.00. This represents an increase of \$15,401.00 or (35%) and Savers Insurance at \$ 52,250.00. This represents an increase of \$8,092.00 or (18%). Mr. Testa explained this. The Insurance Committee will meet with Mr. Testa.

Police Department – The City Administrator presented a letter from Chief of Police, Jim Chambers asking for an increase in the salary of the Police Officers of \$1.00 per hour as follows: James Allred from \$10.00 per hour to \$11.00 per hour, Matthew Kight - from \$10.00 to \$11.00, Thomas Orr from \$10.50 to \$11.50, Michael Stickel from \$10.00 to \$11.00 and Timothy Warner from \$11.00 to \$12.00. Motion by Ann Whistler to allow Health Orr to get his anniversary raise, seconded by Darlene Crocker. Ann Whistler then withdrew her motion. Robert Sullivan made the motion to increase the Police Officers salary \$1.00 per hour, seconded by Eric Seyer. Council polled as follows:

Yes	No	Absent
	Darlene Crocker	
	Ron Davis	
	Jerry Childers	
Robert Sullivan		
Ann Whistler		
	Ryan Pennington	
		Ronald Eichhorn
Eric Seyer		

Motion did not pass.

Judges Report was presented for March 2014. Motion to approve the Judges Report by Ron Davis, seconded by Jerry Childers. Motion Carried.

The City Clerk presented the following bills for approval: Zoellner Construction - \$57,433.64, Kajacs Contractors - \$140,134.20, Schultz Engineering & Surveying -\$17,315.13, Dittronics, Inc. - \$70.75, Midwest Truck Sales & Service Co. - \$159.26, Witmer Public Safety Group - \$493.36, Fire Truck payment - \$2,068.58, Schultz Engineering & Surveying - \$2,427.50 for Sewer, Scott County Clerk - \$1,000.00 for the 2014 election , Rhodes 101 - Public Works - \$979.77, Police- \$896.54, & Park Department -\$119.67. Motion to pay the bills by Ann Whistler, seconded by Darlene Crocker. Motion Carried.

The City Clerk asked the Council if the Council would like Dirnberger, Hopper & Associates to do the City's annual audit. Motion by Eric Seyer to approve Dirnberger, Hopper & Associates to do the City's annual audit, seconded by Ryan Pennington. Motion Carried.

The City Administrator advised that the Chaffee Nutrition Center has agreed to be an emergency warming center and the Police Department has a key.

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The City Administrator advised that Midwest Hydro is working on the pumps as part of the water project and has given the City a bid for an ongoing service agreement in the amount of \$850.00 for both pumps and includes an annual inspection and priority service for emergencies. The Mayor recommended looking into getting two other bids.

The City Administrator advised of an attached list of property taxes that are a year or more past due and would like to post these in the paper if they are a year or more past due and asked if the interest could be forgiven if paid by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Motion to forgive the Interest on the property taxes if paid by April 15, 2014 by Ryan Pennington, seconded by Eric Seyer. Motion Carried.

The City Administrator advised that there are several personal property tax bills that are due and would like to ask the Council if they would consider waiving the city sticker fee for past amounts if they are paid by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Eric Seyer to forgive the City sticker fee if the taxes are paid by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Eric Seyer then withdrew his motion. The City Attorney advised that the City Sticker fee is different as it is voted on by the public. Discussion was then heard.

The City Administrator advised that there are several Personal Property tax bills over 10 years old that are no longer collectible due to death or no possible way to contact the property owners and asked if the Council would like to consider purging these records. Motion by Ann Whistler to forgive the taxes if they are 10 years or older, seconded by Robert Sullivan. Council polled as follows:

Yes	No	Absent
Darlene Crocker		
Ron Davis		
Jerry Childers		
Robert Sullivan		
Ann Whistler		
Ryan Pennington		
Eric Seyer		Ronald Eichhorn

Motion Carried.

The Administrator advised that the bucket truck needs a hydraulic pump and other repairs at a cost of \$ 1,443.00. Motion to approve repairs for the bucket truck by Eric Seyer, seconded by Ann Whistler.

Council polled as follows:

Yes	No	Absent
Darlene Crocker		
Ron Davis		
Jerry Childers		
Robert Sullivan		
Ann Whistler		
Ryan Pennington		
Eric Seyer		Ronald Eichhorn

Motion Carried.

The City Administrator advised that it was before 1998 when the Council got their last raise in salary.

The City Administrator asked for approval of the 2014-2015 budget. Motion by Ann Whistler to accept the 2015-2015 budget, seconded by Eric Seyer. Council polled as follows:

Yes	No	Absent
Darlene Crocker		
	Ron Davis	
Jerry Childers		
Robert Sullivan		
Ann Whistler		
Ryan Pennington		
Eric Seyer		Ronald Eichhorn

Motion Carried.

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The City Attorney advised the Ordinance was ready increasing the salary of the Mayor and Council Members. Motion by Ann Whistler to table this until the April 7<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, seconded by Jerry Childers. Council polled as follows:

Yes	No	Absent
Darlene Crocker		
Ron Davis		
Jerry Childers		
Ann Whistler	Robert Sullivan	
	Ryan Pennington	Ronald Eichhorn
	Eric Seyer	

Motion Carried.

The City Attorney advised that according to the State statutes there can be a minimum of three members and up to six members on the Police Personnel Board. If any changes would need to be made an Ordinance would be needed. Discussion was then heard. Motion by Eric Seyer to make the Police Personnel Board a five member Board, seconded by Jerry Childers. Council polled as follows:

Yes	No	Absent
Darlene Crocker		
Ron Davis		
Jerry Childers		
Robert Sullivan		
Ann Whistler		
	Ryan Pennington	
		Ronald Eichhorn

Eric Seyer

Motion Carried.

Ann Whistler advised she was asked why the recycling trailer has not been there. The City Administrator advised that the trailer was picked up to be emptied and there is no set date to pick up the trailer. The City Administrator advised that they will begin picking up the trailer three days a week. He also advised that he has applied for a grant for a bigger recycling trailer.

Ann Whistler advised that the Park Board would like to fix the Pole and light at Frisco Park and have received two bids: Lee Construction in the amount of \$6,750.00 and Cotner Electric in the amount of \$5,680.00. Motion by Ann Whistler to accept the bid from Cotner Electric at \$5,680.00, seconded by Ryan Pennington. Motion Carried.

Ann Whistler advised that Jim Whistler is going to meet with the Conservation Department in regards to putting trees at Harmon Field.

Darlene Crocker advised that the Cemetery Committee met with Teen Challenge and discussed mowing and weed eating the cemetery. The City Administrator advised of two bids for mowing, one from Monty Shaffer at \$2,998.00 per month and Teen Challenge at \$300.00 per mow or \$1,200.00 per month. Motion by Darlene Crocker to accept the bid to mow and weed eat the cemetery from Teen Challenge, seconded by Ryan Pennington. Motion Carried.

Ryan Pennington suggested that the salary increases for the Police Department should be recommended by the City Administrator.

Travis Dumey asked when he will receive his apology from Mr. Allred and Chief Chambers. The Mayor referred this to the City Attorney. Discussion was then heard.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Diane Eftink, City Clerk

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Mayor, Steve Loucks

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