

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 4, 2002

7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Brad Hurd, Mariann Parker, Tony French and Jerry Bruns.

ALSO PRESENT: Katie Hargis, Roger Hopkins, Jim Ruhnke, Cheryl and Carl Slauch, Dick Powell, Chad Clary and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Brad Hurd moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held November 6, 2002. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to approve the bills for the month of November 2002. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS REQUEST

Jim Ruhnke asked the council if they would be supportive of dry storage units being constructed on Block 8. Ruhnke stated he understood that a zoning change would be necessary. He further stated that he had talked with neighboring landowners and they all seemed to be supportive of the proposal.

Mr. Ruhnke also informed the council that he was looking into housing on Block 6 with possible grant monies being available.

OLD BUSINESS

Brad Hurd moved to approve the Official Detour Agreement with the Secretary of Transportation and Doniphan County for the detour involving K-7 Highway. Mariann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Jerry Bruns moved to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage applications from Ernie's, Highland Total and Casey's General Stores Inc. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mariann Parker moved to purchase hams for all city employees for their Christmas bonus. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to have January 1, 2003 regular meeting moved to January 2, 2003 due to New Year's holiday and to have a notice published in the Highland paper. Mariann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

CITY OFFICER'S REPORT

The Council reviewed the inventory listings from the Clerk, Maintenance and Police Departments.

Police Chief Chad Clary updated the Council regarding the K-9 training involving Officer Hontz.

City Superintendent Roger Hopkins informed the governing body of the meeting he had with Bartlett and West Engineers, Inc. concerning the mechanical aspects of the new water well. Hopkins also stated that he was looking into the light problem at the "Welcome to Highland" sign at the south city limits.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

The Council discussed the tree trimming ordinance, city financing and possible litigation against the state concerning municipality funding cuts.

8:50 p.m. Tony French moved to adjourn. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried unanimously.



Mayor



City Clerk