

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 1, 2002

7:30 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Katie Hargis, Dick Powell, Diana Mitchell, Ted Collins, Chad Clary, Roger Hopkins, Neal Hontz, Mark Allen and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with all councilmembers present.

Tony French moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held April 3, 2002. Mariann Parker 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Jerry Bruns moved to approve the bills for the month of April, 2002. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Diana Mitchell of the Kansas Gas Service Company and City Attorney Ted Collins updated the Council on the status of the franchise agreement. Collins stated that he was still waiting on a response from the Kansas League of Municipalities.

Councilmember Jerry Bruns asked Mitchell about information they may have which would be beneficial for the G.I.S. Mapping.

City Superintendent Roger Hopkins informed the Council he was still waiting for more details concerning the new well before a decision could be made on the soft starter purchase.

Jerry Bruns moved to table the soft starter purchase to a future meeting and have Hopkins inform the Clerk when it could be put back on the agenda. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

City Attorney Ted Collins told the Council that he had met with Mike Odrowski of Bartlett & West Engineers, Inc. and Jim Ruhnke to discuss the land purchase for the new well site. Collins stated that it appeared the city

could purchase approximately 2 3/4 acres to satisfy the site for the new well and future needs. The Council authorized Collins to proceed with negotiations.

Jerry Bruns moved to proclaim the week of May 12-18, 2002 as National Nursing Home Week. Tony French 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Brad Hurd moved to authorize the PRIDE Committee to spend the money for public purposes upon approval by the City that was given in former Mayor Roger Hopkin's name. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Tony French moved to appoint the Highland Vidette as the official city newspaper for 2002. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Tony French moved to appoint Farmers State Bank of Highland as the official city depository for 2002. Mariann Parker 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Dan Tilton moved to appoint Jerry Bruns as Council President for 2002. Tony French 2nd, motion carried 4-0-1 with Bruns abstaining.

Brad Hurd moved to approve Council Committees' for 2002 with no changes. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Tony French moved to reappoint the Board of Zoning Appeals for 2002 with no changes. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

8:30 p.m. Jerry Bruns moved to go into executive session for twenty minutes to discuss personnel and asked that City Attorney Ted Collins be present. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

8:50 p.m. Jerry Bruns moved to come out of executive session. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

8:50 p.m. Mariann Parker moved to go back into executive session for thirty minutes to discuss personnel. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

9:15 p.m. Jerry Bruns moved to come out of executive session. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Dan Tilton moved to appoint all employees to their current positions for 2002 except for the Municipal Judge and to discuss this appointment at a future date. Mariann Parker 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Brad Hurd moved to offer the Assistant City Clerk position to Cheryl Slauch at \$9.00 per hour with no benefits. Tony French 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Jerry Bruns moved to offer Nolan Cruse Jr. the part-time summer maintenance position at minimum wage. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Fire Chief Dick Powell informed the Council that he had been urged to have the pumps certified on the fire trucks. Dan Tilton moved to have the pumps inspected and certified at a cost of \$250. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Brad Hurd moved to approve the fourth payment request of \$9431.50 from Bartlett & West Engineers, Inc. of water grant #01-PF-131. Tony French 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

CITY OFFICERS REPORT

Police Chief Chad Clary updated the Council on the activities for the month of April, 2002.

City Superintendent Roger Hopkins informed the Council that Herzog Contracting had completed the asphaltting for the year.

Hopkins also told the Council he had received a bid from Pine Valley Contracting of \$6300 to purchase the paver. Dan Tilton moved to accept the bid from Pine Valley Contracting of \$6300 for the street paver. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Hopkins and Councilmember Jerry Bruns shared information concerning the G.I.S. mapping.

9:58 p.m. Brad Hurd moved to adjourn. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried 5-0.


Mayor



City Clerk