

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 1, 2006

7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mike Batchelder, Ken Stewart, Tony French, Donna Parish and Mari Ann Parker.

ALSO PRESENT: Jeff Riley, Carol Hopkins, Tammie Petrik, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

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

Mike Batchelder moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held February 1, 2006. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Ken Stewart moved to approve the bills for the month of February, 2006. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

### PRESENTATIONS

Tammie Petrik updated the Council on the upcoming summer ball program. The county meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2006 in Highland. Tammie stated that approximately sixty participants have signed up and that they are short on some age groups. Tammie asked the Council to consider the approval of Julie Speer as a new member of the Recreation Commission.

Tony French moved to appoint Julie Speer to the Highland Recreation Commission. Mike Batchelder 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Mike Batchelder moved to approve the contract with Rick Eberly as Field Manager for the summer program with the amount of the contract to stay the same at \$1800. Donna Parish 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

### CITIZENS REQUESTS

Mari Ann Parker asked about hanging the new street banners purchased by the PRIDE Committee on the utility poles. The Council agreed that Westar Energy should be contacted by PRIDE to get their approval.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mike Batchelder informed the Council that more information had been sent to the Kansas Department of Commerce for a possible grant for a Community Center. Batchelder stated that an appraisal would probably be next in line for the grant process.

## OLD BUSINESS

City Attorney Ted Collins reviewed possible Ordinance's 452 and 453 with the Council. He stated that proposed Ordinance #452 would be an ordinance establishing rules and regulations for the usage of streets, alleys and other public rights of way.

Ordinance #453 would be granting a franchise to Westar Energy with certain changes from the previous Ordinance. Attorney Collins asked the Council to review both Ordinances before the next regular council meeting and consider approval at that time.

## NEW BUSINESS

Mike Batchelder moved to ask Urban Construction to remove only the trees on E. Ohio Street at this time, however if the rock purchase has already been locked in, to honor the contract as originally signed. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried 4-1 with Parish voting No.

Mike Batchelder moved to have the city coordinate with PRIDE on clean-up activities and to set a date at a later time. Donna Parish 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

## CITY OFFICERS REPORT

City Superintendent Jeff Riley said he had been asked by the Med Clinic if the city would consider posting a few parking spots designated for clinic parking only on W. Main. The Street and Alley Committee was asked to meet with Riley and City Attorney Ted Collins on this request and bring back their recommendation at the next regular council meeting.

City Clerk Bill Butrick informed the Council that the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup> may have to be adjourned and rescheduled at a later date due to a quorum not being able to attend.

8:26 p.m. Mike Batchelder moved to go into executive session for ten minutes to discuss personnel and ask that Jeff Riley be present. Ken Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

8:36 p.m. Mike Batchelder moved to come out of executive session. Ken Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

8:37 p.m. Mari Ann Parker moved to go back into executive session for ten minutes to discuss financial matters and for Bill Butrick to be present. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

8:47 p.m. Ken Stewart moved to come out of executive session. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

8:47 p.m. Tony French moved to adjourn. Mike Batchelder 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

---

Mayor

---

City Clerk