

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 10, 2010

5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mari Ann Parker, Scott Huss, Jerry Twombly and Ken Stewart (5:03). Mike Batchelder was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Dennis Lentz, Brandon Whetstine, Jeff Riley, Randy Snyder and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Marty Allen.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Scott Huss moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held February 10, 2010. Jerry Twombly 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Mari Ann Parker moved to renew membership dues for 2010 with the Kansas Rural Water Association. Jerry Twombly 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Scott Huss moved to approve the bills for the month of February, 2010. Jerry Twombly 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

### CITY OFFICERS REPORT

Jeff Riley presented bids on replacing the Bobcat and also for possibly purchasing an excavator. A brief discussion found agreement that a longer attachment for the backhoe would be very beneficial for digging of water and sewer lines.

Ken Stewart moved to authorize the Mayor, City Superintendent and City Clerk to move forward on the lease-purchase of a new bobcat and backhoe with longer attachment for digging. Scott Huss 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Jeff Riley reported that city maintenance would be moving the water salesman to the south side of the new city shop and that lead and copper testing water samples will need to be done before June 30, 2010. Riley also talked about replacing the meter at the well and the approximate cost would be \$1900.00. Mari Ann Parker moved to purchase the well meter from Water Products, Inc. Scott Huss 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Brandon Whetstine reviewed briefly the police department's activity report.

## CITIZENS REQUESTS

Dennis Lentz asked if the City could place some rock on the 200 block of S. Nebraska. Bill Butrick stated that Robert Edie and Sam Blythe had also requested rock by their residences. City maintenance stated that they are aware of several problem areas and that they will be purchasing rock and putting it down as weather permits.

Scott Huss said that there was some interest in holding a concealed carry class in the parking lot area of the New Community Center on Sunday March 21, 2010 from 8:00a.m. to 6:00p.m. He asked if there would be any objection by the City on holding this class. Ken Stewart moved to allow for the class after getting legal opinion from the City Attorney to make sure it would be alright. Jerry Twombly 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried 3-0-1 with Parker abstaining.

## OLD BUSINESS

Mari Ann Parker moved to place an ad in the county newspaper asking for sealed bids on the old city motor grader with the right to refuse any and all bids and to open those bids at the next Regular City Council meeting on April 14, 2010 at 5:00p.m. Scott Huss 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Allen informed the Council that the GPS mapping was close to completion and that Brian Kingsley of BG Consultants would be here Tuesday, March 16, 2010 to look at city streets and the mapping to start the process for grant applications for these projects.

The next item on the agenda concerning a snow removal ordinance was tabled to the October regular meeting to allow the Street and Alley Committee more time to gather information.

## NEW BUSINESS

A brief discussion was held concerning the mandatory traffic and street sign replacement as set forth by the state. Mayor Allen stated that this issue would be discussed with Brian Kingsley on Tuesday during his visit.

Ken Stewart spoke briefly on maintenance for the Community Center parking lot.

The Council talked about the issue of semi truck parking and agreed to have City Maintenance rock the 200 block area of S. Nebraska and designate it for truck parking.

Ken Stewart moved to purchase 2 business chairs from K-LOG for the Clerk's Office. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

The annual Pride Clean-up Day was briefly discussed and Mari Ann Parker and Jeff Riley were asked to coordinate the event with other volunteers.

5:54 p.m. Jerry Twombly moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss financial matters. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

6:04 p.m. Ken Stewart moved to come out of executive session. Scott Huss 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

6:05 p.m. Scott Huss moved to adjourn. Jerry Twombly 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor

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City Clerk