

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 7, 2001

7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Brad Hurd, Jerry Bruns, Verl Stevens, Tony French and Dan Tilton.

ALSO PRESENT: Dick Powell, Roger Hopkins, Katie Hargis, Chad Clary and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

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

Jerry Bruns moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held October 3, 2001. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Brad Hurd moved to approve the bills for the month of October, 2001. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Tyler announced that the November 14th board meeting at the College would start at 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m. The meeting would be held in Math Science #1 to review the Master Plan of the College and the public was invited to attend.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES REPORT

Finance Committee Chairman Tony French recommended that the City proceed with General Obligation Bonds for funding the city's share of the water project.

Tony French moved to authorize Stifel & Nicolaus Company to proceed with General Obligation Bond procedures. Dan Tilton 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed by the Governing Body to hold a Special Council Meeting on November 16, 2001 to review the Ordinance for the issuance of the bonds.

OLD BUSINESS

The Mayor and Council reviewed a copy of a letter from the City Attorney stating that he was still waiting on a reply from the legal counsel of the Kansas Gas Service Company for renewal of the franchise agreement.

The Mayor and Council also reviewed a letter from the City Attorney concerning the test drilling procedures that should have started for the water well project.

Mayor Tyler presented information from the Doniphan County Economic Development Commission promoting Enterprise Facilitation and asking for a \$750 commitment from the City. Brad Hurd moved that no action be taken on the Enterprise Facilitation at this time. Verl Stevens 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Jerry Bruns stated that the County would like to commend Roger Hopkins efforts on finding street salt for the county and cities within the county.

CITY OFFICERS REPORT

City Superintendent Roger Hopkins presented bids for the purchase of four new tires for the city pick-up. Tony French moved to accept the bid of Brad's Service & Repair for new pick-up tires. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Hopkins stated that the "pigging" of the water lines would take place on November 21, 2001 and that the public would be asked to conserve water on that day. He stated that schools would not be in session on that day which should help with the water usage.

Hopkins informed the Council that he would cost approximately \$400 to \$500 to put in two lights for the "Welcome to Highland" sign coming in on Kansas Street.

Law Enforcement Committee Chairman Jerry Bruns asked Chief Chad Clary to look into guns placed in racks in the back of pick-ups parked on school property.

Councilmember Verl Stevens asked about the refrigerator on the sidewalk by the Post Office Building.

City Clerk Bill Butrick reported on a need for storage space for city records and an evidence locker for the Police Department. Mayor Tyler asked that the Council and employees' bring back suggestions and ideas for needed storage at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Tony French moved to table the possible purchase of a "power washer" until the next Regular Council Meeting. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Verl Stevens stated that he had reviewed the City's Personnel Policy Manual and felt there were changes that needed to be made. Tony French volunteered

to review the manual and report his suggestions at a future Council Meeting.

The Council reviewed a sample "employee evaluation form" with no action being taken at this time.


Dan Tilton moved to accept the resignation of Councilmember Verl Stevens. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

8:41 p.m. Brad Hurd moved to go into executive session for five minutes to discuss personnel. Motion died for lack of second.

8:42 p.m. Jerry Bruns moved to adjourn. Brad Hurd 2nd, motion carried unanimously.



Mayor



City Clerk