

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GRANT NO. 01-PF-131

DECEMBER 3, 2003

7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mike Batchelder, Jerry Bruns, Mari Ann Parker and Tony French.

ALSO PRESENT: Katie Hargis, Roger Hopkins, Dick Powell, Donna Crawford, Chad Clary, Roger Streib, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

Mayor Tyler called the public hearing to order and opened the floor for public comment.

City Superintendent Roger Hopkins updated the Council about the new well and asked that the City pay Ground Water Associates the \$920.00 that was asked for on Payment Request #17.

Grant Administrator Donna Crawford explained to the Council the necessary closeout procedures and informed them that there were no findings by the Kansas Department of Commerce on their recent audit visit.

After receiving no further public comments, the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the public hearing.

7:35 p.m. Jerry Bruns moved to adjourn the public hearing. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mike Batchelder, Jerry Bruns, Mari Ann Parker and Tony French.

ALSO PRESENT: Katie Hargis, Roger Hopkins, Dick Powell, Donna Crawford, Chad Clary, Roger Streib, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

Mayor Tyler called the regular council meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. with a quorum present.

Jerry Bruns moved to approve the minutes of the last regular council meeting held November 5, 2003. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mike Batchelder moved to approve the bills for the month of November 2003. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to pay the 2004 Memberships & Subscriptions to the League of Kansas Municipalities of \$422.55. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Bruns moved to approve the necessary documents to close out Grant No. 01-PF-131. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS: Roger Streib spoke to the Council about installing voltage capacitors at the well site. Streib explained, after reviewing the City's electrical bills, that he would estimate it could save the City approximately \$560.00 a year. Streib presented his proposal for the Council to review should they decided to install the capacitors. Mari Ann Parker moved to pursue more information on the voltage capacitors and have bids presented at the next regular council meeting. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS REQUEST: Council member Mari Ann Parker told the Council that the PRIDE Committee will be presenting the City with a certificate for their help with the food pantry.

NEW BUSINESS: Tony French moved to approve Payment Request No. 18 from Grant No. 01-PF-131 of \$33,612.82. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to approve the unpaid balance of \$920.00 from Payment Request No. 17 to Ground Water Associates. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mike Batchelder moved to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage applications for 2004 from Ernie's, Highland Total and Casey's General Store. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mari Ann Parker moved to purchase hams for the 6 full-time employees for Christmas. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

The Council discussed the request from the Doniphan County Economic Development Commission regarding the program. No action was taken.

Mari Ann Parker moved to offer the Community Service Coordinator position to Richard Williams; and, if not accepted, to offer it to Mike Batchelder. Tony French 2nd, motion carried 3-0-1 with Batchelder abstaining.

Tony French moved to transfer \$1,500.00 from the Water Fund and \$3,500.00 from the Sewer Fund to the General Fund per budget authority. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tyler asked that the appointment of a new Council member be delayed for one month pending response from possible interested persons.

CITY OFFICER'S REPORT: Mari Ann Parker moved to purchase a lap top computer for City Maintenance at a cost of up to \$1,200.00 and to authorize Tony French and Jerry Bruns to help with the acquisition. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French asked about the City Hall clock and the noon siren being repaired. Both Roger Hopkins and Roger Streib said it was on their list to be completed.

Police Chief Chad Clary told the Council he had notified Mr. Laverentz about property clean-up. He further stated that an auction of the house was to take place in the near future; and if not, he would follow up with further procedures.

The Governing Body discussed the abuse of the intended brush pile at Anthros Medical. They determined if the abuse continued it would result in closing the drop-off site and prosecuting violators.

Chief Clary discussed dog problems within the City.

Clary said he had been contacted by Haug Communications about purchasing the unused low-band radios from the Police Department. The Council authorized Chief Clary to accept the best price he could get for the radios.

Mayor Tyler stated that the Doniphan County Zoning Commission requested that a member of the Highland Governing Body attend the zoning meeting on December 10, 2003 to discuss Highland College's request.

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

Mayor

City Clerk