

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 7, 2005

7:30 P.M.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Betty Lewis, Russ Karn, Tammie Petrik, Deb Fox, Donna Manyon, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Janet Tyler.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Ken Stewart moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held August 3, 2005. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Donna Parish moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held August 9, 2005. Mike Batchelder 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Donna Parish moved to approve the bills for August, 2005. Ken Stewart 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Deb Fox of Highland Community College requested a designated crosswalk be put on Main Street from Ellis Hall to the LSU Building.

Mari Ann Parker moved to find out what regulations and signage would be necessary and coordinate the painting and purchases with Highland Community College to designate a crosswalk as requested. Motion died for lack of second.

Mari Ann Parker moved to have the Street & Alley Committee meet with college officials and City Attorney Ted Collins to determine what regulations and purchases would be necessary for the crosswalk and if satisfactory to allow the Street and Alley Committee to proceed. Ken Stewart 2nd, motion carried 3-1 with Batchelder voting no.

CITIZENS REQUESTS

Councilmember Mike Batchelder stated he had received a request to cut branches from a tree hanging over E. Missouri Street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation Commission members Tammie Petrik and Russ Karn reported information to the Council concerning expenses, equipment needs, and new purchases for the summer ball program.

Tammie Petrik asked if the city would consider paying for new soccer t-shirts and be reimbursed later when money could be collected.

Mike Batchelder moved to go ahead with the purchase of the soccer t-shirts and allow the Commission time to collect the money to be reimbursed later. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held on how the Council would like the bylaws and member terms decided. It was agreed that the Recreation Commission establish their bylaws and recommendations and present them in their entirety for the Council to approve.

Mari Ann Parker moved to appoint Nathan Idol as an alternate member for the Recreation Commission at this time. Donna Parish 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A discussion was held concerning the new liquor laws for the State of Kansas. It was noted that if no action is taken by the city that the liquor laws would be followed as set out by the state.

NEW BUSINESS

Donna Parish moved to approve Resolution #05-04. Kansas Pride program entry government resolution for 2006. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Mari Ann Parker commended the PRIDE Committee on their efforts for the city.

Betty Lewis, PRIDE President, thanked the city for their support.

Ken Stewart moved to approve the bid of BG Consultants, Inc., a maximum of \$848 to do a survey on E. Ohio and N. Canada streets. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held concerning what is designated as Colorado Street which is located on the north city limits. Options were also discussed concerning the west city limit area now designated as West Avenue.

Ken Stewart moved to have the Street and Alley Committee meet with City Attorney Ted Collins to draw up a letter for involved property owners explaining options concerning

new road construction and possible annexation. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mike Batchelder requested that the city continue discussions to allow Rural Fire District #2 to handle management of the city fire department. It was agreed to further discuss the issue at the next regular council meeting.

A discussion was held concerning complaints about trash dumpsters placed in city streets. The Law Enforcement Committee and City Attorney Ted Collins agreed to address the issue by sending letters to the property owners and the trash service company.

Mari Ann Parker moved to ask Brian Kingsley of BG Consultants to attend a special council meeting to answer concerns about selling water. Mike Batchelder 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Law Enforcement Committee Chairman Ken Stewart updated the Council on the progress of contracting with the Doniphan County Sheriff.

Mike Batchelder moved to approve the contract with BG Consultants, Inc., for city engineering services. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

9:37 p.m. Mari Ann Parker moved to adjourn. Ken Stewart 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor

City Clerk