

**City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes**  
**January 18, 2021**

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls was called to order at the Municipal Meeting room. Those present were Council members Chris Carathers, Mike Hastings, Pat Larkin, Bob Sturms, and Bill Kewley, Mayor Buddy Sisson, Utilities Supervisor David Jones, and City Clerk Debbie Bower. Absent was City Attorney Laura Viar.

**Agenda**

Sturms made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes**

Hastings made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2021 meeting as they read. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

**Visitors**

Kelly Johnson with the Chase County Elementary Old School Development came before Council to discuss the removal of the water towers. Utilities Supervisor Jones has already contacted and received a bid for the round tower and are still awaiting another to remove it. The other tower cannot be removed for historical purposes. No action was taken.

**Mayor's Report**

Sisson discussed with Council the need to raise the Community Building rent to cover the cost for the extra cleaning and sanitizing to reduce the spread of Covid. It was consensus of Council to raise the cost from \$75.00 to \$125.00 per day.

Sisson and Council discussed the different options they may have with the Planning Commission. Bower was instructed to contact the League of Kansas Municipalities to help on the matter.

**City Clerk's Report**

Bower presented the Council with a 2021 Event Schedule of Ads for Chase County Leader News.

Council agreed to three ads for Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Veteran's Day.

Bower presented Council with a request from the Class of 2021 for a donation for Project Graduation.

Larkin made a motion to approve the donation in the amount of \$200.00. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

Bower presented Council with the BCBS Renewal for the 2021 calendar year. Sturms made a motion to approve. Carathers seconded. Motion carried.

Bower presented Council with the Audit services letter from Cindy Jensen CPA for 2020. Larkin made a motion to approve. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

Bower presented Council with an application for a credit card through Citizens State Bank for \$3000.00 limit. Sturms made a motion to approve the application. Carathers seconded. Motion carried.

**Utilities Supervisor**

Jones told Council the repeater for the radios used by the City employees was hit by lightning and we would need to purchase a new one. The cost for a new one with diagnostics and installation would cost \$3125.00. Larkin made a motion to approve the purchase at \$3125.00. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

Jones updated Council on the sewer on Main being completed.

**Timecards**

Sturms made a motion to approve the timecard and payroll checks for 30200-30206. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

Sturms made a motion to approve 8.5 hours of overtime. Carathers seconded. Motion carried.

**Consideration of Bills**

Sturms made a motion to approve the checks 30208-30235 for accounts payable. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Sturms made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

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**William C Sisson, Mayor**

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**Deborah Bower, City Clerk**