

**City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes  
November 15, 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, Bob Sturms, Pat Larkin, and Bill Kewley. Mayor Buddy Sisson, City Clerk Debbie Bower and Utilities Supervisor Scott Gumfory. Absent was City Attorney Laura Viar.

**Agenda**

Hastings made a motion to approve the agenda. Carathers seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes**

Larkin made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2021, meeting as they read. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

**Visitors**

Roland Hainey with the #121 Frederick Phillips American Legion chapter of Council Grove came before council to have Mayor Sisson to declare American Education Week and National Family Week. Sisson signed the documents the one for Education will be in the USD office and the National Family Week will be hung in the City office through the week of Thanksgiving.

**Mayor's Report**

Sisson asked for 20 minute executive session for non-elected personnel at 6:07. Larkin made a motion to approve the 20 minutes executive session. Kewley seconded. Motion carried. Larkin motioned returned to regular session at 6:27 p.m. Hastings seconded. Motion carried. Mike motioned to return to executive session for 20 more minutes Kewley seconded. Hastings moved to return to regular session at 6:41. Carathers seconded. Motion carried. Larkin motion to give all the city staff and crew a 6% wage increase as of January 1, 2022. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

**City Clerk's Report**

In public hearing for Floodplain Management Ordinance No 989 Hastings made a motion to adopt. Sturms seconded. Motion carried.

Bower brought a Notice of Intent for authorization to discharge stormwater runoff from construction Activities. Larkin made a motion to move forward with the NOI. Carathers seconded. Motion carried.

Bower brought a temporary liquor license for the Chase County Old School Development District for November 27 & 28 for an event they are holding. Kewley moved to approve the liquor license. Hastings Seconded. Motion carried.

Bower asked Council for clarification on Christmas holiday. It was consensus of Council for city office to be closed and crew to be off for Friday, December 24, and Monday December 27.

Bower asked Council if they wanted to donate a family pool pass and one free day/night rent at the community building this year for the raffle for Country Christmas. Council agreed to donate the pass and free rent of community building again.

**Bower informed Council of donation the Veteran's Memorial had received from Doghouse Saloon, owner Ryan Spinden let the community know for every beer sold he would give a \$1.00 to the Veterans. Spinden wrote a check for the Veterans Memorial for \$600.00**

**Utilities Supervisor**

Gumfory informed Council Christmas ornaments were up, and lights were being inspected. Gumfory and city crew have been working on sanding and staining the doors to enter Prairie PastTimes. Gumfory informed the hydrants at the RV park were in need of being replaced as the weather permitted.

**Timecards**

Sturms made a motion to approve timecard and payroll checks 30978-30984 & 30985-30991. Hastings seconded.

Sturms made a motion to approve overtime for 5.5 hours. Carathers seconded. Motion carried.

**Consideration of Bills**

Sturms made a motion to checks 30992-31020 for accounts payable. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Sturms made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Kewley seconded. Motion carried.

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**William C Sisson, Mayor**

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**Deborah Bower, City Clerk**