

City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes
June 1, 2015

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls was called to order at 7:25 p.m., June 1, 2015 at the municipal meeting room.

Those present were Mayor Boyce Baumgardner, Council Members Bob Sturms, Buddy Sisson, Pat Larkin, Carl Studer and Bruce Wells, Utilities Supervisor David Jones, City Clerk Tiffany Bohnen and City Attorney Bob Brookens.

Agenda

Wells made a motion to approve the Agenda. Larkin seconded, motion carried.

Minutes

Wells motioned to approve minutes from May 18, 2015. Sturms seconded, motion carried.

Scheduled Visitors

Jennifer Laird appeared before Council to introduce herself as the new Economic Development and Tourism Director for the Chase County Chamber of Commerce.

Bruce Boettcher, BG Consultants, Inc. presented Council with several options for improving the Cottonwood River Low Head Dam. Wells made a motion to approve a commitment with BG Consultants, Inc. to explore our options for the dam refurbishment. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Planning Commission Report

Mayor Baumgardner recommended the following nominations be added to the Planning Commission: Chuck Maggard, term ending 2017; Carl Studer, term ending 2017; and Pat Larkin, term ending 2016. Wells made a motion to approve the Mayor's recommendations. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Larkin made a motion to approve the proclamation congratulating the 2015 Lady Bulldogs Softball team for their 4th State Title. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larkin made a motion to provide the Symphony on the Prairie a contribution in the amount of \$500 to support the EMT Services. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

City Attorney's Report

None

Utilities Supervisor

Utilities Supervisor Jones informed Council that the crew is finishing up the bathrooms in Prairie PastTime.

George Groh & Sons will now be here in July, due to being backed up from the rain, to redo the roof on the municipal buildings.

An ad has been placed in the Chase County Leader News, The Shopper, The Emporia Gazette, Facebook and the City Website advertising the Full-Time Laborer/Equipment Operator position that will be coming available.

Report from City Clerk

Sisson made a motion to waive the \$75 Community Building Fee as a donation to the Folk Life Festival but still collect the \$260 cleaning deposit. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Council discussed adding the zoning ordinances to the code book for an additional \$750. No action was taken.

4-H would like to plant trees around the fair buildings. The consensus of the council is to allow them to plant the trees where the current dead trees are located.

City Attorney Bob Brookens and the Council discussed the Water Sale Contract with the PWWSD#26. After reviewing the contract Brookens suggested a few changes be made before signing. Clerk Bohnen will email the changes to PWWSD to review.

Sturms made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-7, granting Grand Central Hotel a temporary liquor license for River Suite on June 12, 2015. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Larkin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-8 determining that a weed nuisance exists upon 308 Sycamore. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Studer made a motion to have Sheriff Dorneker inspect the property located at 220 7th St. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Budget & Taxation: None

Utilities: None

Property: None

Streets: None

Equipment: None

Sidewalks & Beautification: None

Recreation & Planning: None

Staff Policy: None

Unscheduled Visitors: None

Old Business:

Time Cards:

Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 24378-24387. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to approve a total of 14 hrs overtime. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Sturms moved to approve checks 24389-24413. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. Wells seconded, motion carried.

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Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tiffany Bohnen", written over a horizontal line.

Tiffany Bohnen, City Clerk