City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes March 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m., March 5, 2018 at the municipal meeting room. Those members present were Council members Buddy Sisson, Mike Hastings, Bob Sturms and Pat Larkin, City Attorney Laura Allen, City Clerk Tiffany Bohnen and Utilities Supervisor David Jones. Absent was Mayor Boyce Baumgardner.

Agenda

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

Minutes

Larkin made a motion to approve the minutes from February 19, 2018. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Scheduled Visitors

• Matt Shepherd, President and CEO of Social Innovation Laboratory, appeared before Council to request the use of the Community Building to be used as the site for "That Pop-Up Restaurant". The program is a summer meal program offering free meals to children under age 19. The program was previously held at the Southfork Smokeshack. They would like to run the program near the swimming pool and park to allow for more kids to utilize the program. No action was taken.

City Attorney's Report

 City Attorney Allen presented Council with a rough draft ordinance pertaining to trees and shrubs. No action taken.

Utilities Supervisor Report

- Jones presented Council with concerns on the City's low sewer rates. For the City to obtain
 funding to make improvements or repairs to the sewer system our rates must be set no lower
 than \$26.25 for a usage of 5000 gallons. Currently our rate for 5000 gallons is \$8.50. Jones will
 consider getting a rate analysis from the KRWA.
- Sturms made a motion to approve a quote from Emporia Construction & Remodel to saw cut, remove and replace approximately 15' of curb and gutter on State Street in the amount of \$1700. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Jones is concerned about the damage that is potentially being done to the streets due to the heavy equipment during the high school remodel. Jones will reach out to Mr Schmidt
- Consensus to send Jones to water school on May 9 & 10th and an employee to trenching safety school in McPherson on May 8th.
- The new sewer pump arrived. Total bill was \$8,595.
- Jones updated Council on the KDOT Pearl Street Project. KDOT is reviewing paperwork now.

City Clerk's Report

- The hearing for the tax sale has been moved to April 23, 2018 due to inclement weather on February 20th.
- A local 4-H Club has requested to do a concession stand during the Glass Blown Open disc golf tournament. No action taken.

Larkin's Report

Discussion was held regarding the Enforcing Officer. No action taken.

Sturm's Report

- Discussion was held regarding the vacant seat on the Council. No action taken.
- Sturms presented a list of structures that need to be inspected for dangerous structures. No action taken.

Time Cards:

Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 27274-27280. Larkin seconded. Motion carried.

Sturms motioned to approve a total of 2 hrs overtime. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Sturms moved to approve checks 27281-27312. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Larkin seconded. Motion carried.

Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor

Tiffany R. Bohnen, City Clerk