

**City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes  
November 2, 2015**

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls was called to order at 7:00 p.m., November 2, 2015 at the municipal meeting room.

Those present were Mayor Boyce Baumgardner, Council Members Buddy Sisson, Carl Studer, Bob Sturms, Shawn Taylor & Pat Larkin, Utilities Supervisor David Jones, City Clerk Tiffany Bohnen. Absent was City Attorney Laura Allen.

**Agenda**

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

**Minutes**

- Sturms made a motion to approve the minutes from October 19, 2015. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried, with Studer abstaining.

**Scheduled Visitors**

- Ty Wilson appeared before Council to give an update on the progress of the Spring Creek water service. Jones believes that the 4' pipe that Wilson was quoted will be too big and the water will not be able to meet state regulations. Jones suggested that Wilson get in touch with an engineer to determine what size should be used.
- Lisa Vega, 96.1 The Wave presented options for radio advertisement for Veteran's Day and Country Christmas. Sturms made a motion to purchase the Veteran's Day package consisting of 20 fifteen second ads to run 10 times on November 10 and November 11 for \$100. Studer seconded the motion. No action was taken on the Country Christmas ads.
- Kristen Lawrence appeared for the Dangerous Structure hearing for 220 7<sup>th</sup> St. Enforcement Officer Rich Dorneker was also present. Dorneker reported that substantial improvements have been made on the property and recommended the property be removed from the Dangerous Structure list. Studer made a motion to accept Dorneker's recommendation. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Kim Mackey appeared for the Dangerous Structure hearing for 105 Elm. Dorneker reported that this property also has been cleaned up, vehicles removed, and had many improvements made and recommended the property be removed from the Dangerous Structure list. Studer made a motion to accept Dorneker's recommendation. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Mayor's Report**

- Shawn Taylor was sworn in as the new councilman, his term expiring 2017.
- The KDOT Grant Application to repair Pearl Street from Union to Broadway is due November 20<sup>th</sup>. Matthew Kohls would like for the City to get letters of support for citizens that this project would affect to turn in with the grant application.
- Sisson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-21 declaring the eligibility of the City of Cottonwood Falls to submit an application to the Kansas Department of Transportation for use of transportation alternatives program funds for the Pearl Street Brick Improvements project and authorizing the Mayor to sign this application. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Sisson made a motion to engage Cooper Malone McClain, Inc. to initiate the formation of the Public Building Commission, made up of the Mayor of Cottonwood Falls, the City Council of

Cottonwood Falls, the Mayor of Strong City, the Chair of the Chase County Commission, and the President of the School Board. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- The permit has been sent to KDOT for placing the limestone welcome marker on the north side of town.

#### **City Attorney's Report**

- No report

#### **City Clerk's Report**

- Enforcing Officer Dorneker will have a report on November 16 for the properties located at 336 Pine, 712 4<sup>th</sup> St, and 416 Friend.
- Larkin made a motion to sign the Second Amendment to the Loan Agreement with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for KPWSLF Project No. 2792, decreasing the loan amount by \$3,123.63. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Clerk Bohnen has received a letter from Rasmussen Law regarding damages to 323 Broadway. No action was taken.

#### **Project Leaders:**

##### **Sisson:**

None

##### **Studer:**

- None

##### **Larkin:**

- Larkin has been distributing letters to citizens requesting their participation in the Downtown Christmas Lighting Project.

##### **Sturms:**

- Sturms made a motion to enter into a 10 minute executive session at 9:17 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Meeting reconvened at 9:27 p.m. Sturms made a motion to give a Thanksgiving bonus to the City Employees. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

##### **Taylor:**

- Taylor made a motion to adopt the official logo for Chase Disc Golf. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Taylor made a motion to open Chase Disc Golf fund to receive donations and pay for expenses associated with the disc golf course. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Planning Commission Report**

- Sturms made a motion to approve the building permit at 371 Spring St for the addition of a circle drive, with the idea that the owner is responsible for all expenses of the apron. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Studer made a motion to approve the building permit at 371 Spring St for a deck. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Utilities Supervisor Report**

- The dumpster pads at the ball fields in Swope Park have been completed.
- Sisson made a motion to authorize Jones to purchase a trash truck up to \$75,000. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Unscheduled Visitors:**

**Old Business:**

**Time Cards:**

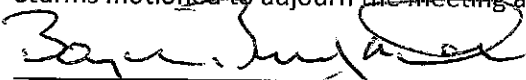
Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 24884-24893. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to approve a total of 14.5 hrs overtime. Studer seconded, motion carried.

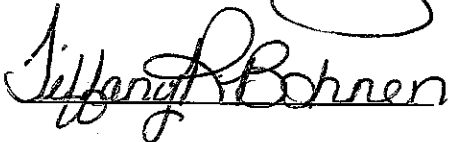
**Accounts Payable**

Sturms moved to approve checks 24894-24919 with 24896 being voided. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m. Studer seconded, motion carried.



Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor



Tiffany R. Bohnen, City Clerk

