

**City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes
October 19, 2015**

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls was called to order at 7:00 p.m., October 19, 2015 at the municipal meeting room.

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

Agenda

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

Minutes

- Sturms motioned to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on October 13, 2015. Sisson seconded, motion carried.
- Larkin made a motion to approve the minutes from October 5, 2015. Sisson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Scheduled Visitors

- Ty Wilson appeared before Council to request water service on Spring Creek Road. A group of property owners on Spring Creek Road would like to get city water to their homes. They are requesting that the City place a water meter on Spring Creek Road at the edge of city limits. The residents would then be liable for the initial costs of running the pipe line and installing water meters, as well as the maintenance costs of all of the lines, meters, and incurred labor from the meter at the city limits to their properties. No action was taken.

Mayor's Report

- Sturms made a motion to approve the appointment of Shawn Taylor to the vacant position of the City Council. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Baumgardner has been preparing for a ground breaking ceremony for the disc golf course.
- Mayor Baumgardner updated the Council on the progress of placing Welcome markers on Hwy 177. Nate Passmore has donated to the City an 8' by 16' limestone slab to be used for a Welcome marker south of town. Sturms made a motion to accept the stone and authorize the Mayor to contract with Alan Tollakson to carve the stone at an estimated cost of \$3,500.00 Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

City Attorney's Report

- Allen has been gathering more information regarding the city boundaries.

City Clerk's Report

- Sturms made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-20 determining that a weed nuisance exists at 201 Friend St. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Larkin made a motion to approve a cereal malt beverage license renewal for Casey's General Store for 2016. Sisson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Sturms made a motion to approve donating \$50.00 to Parents And Teachers Helping Students for the Prairie Fair. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Project Leaders:

Sisson:

- Sisson and Jones presented two possible options for a backup trash truck. No action was taken.

Studer:

- None

Larkin:

- Larkin made a motion to proceed with the Downtown Christmas Lighting project, including a challenge to the community to raise \$5,500 for its "fair share" of the estimated \$8,000 cost. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sturms:

- Sturms noted that 220 7th St has made some progress towards making necessary repairs.

Planning Commission Report

Utilities Supervisor Report

- The City Crew has poured the footings for the welcome sign on the south end of town.
- The crew will be working on the fencing around the dumpster pads at the ball fields this week.
- Millings have been hauled to 6th St.

Unscheduled Visitors:

Old Business:

Time Cards:

Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 24845-24852. Sisson seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to approve a total of 12.5 hrs overtime. Sisson seconded, motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Sturms moved to approve checks 24853-24882 with 24866 being voided. Larkin seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. Larkin seconded, motion carried.


Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor


Tiffany R. Bohnen, City Clerk

