

City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes
July 5, 2016

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls was called to order at 6:00 p.m., July 5, 2016 at the municipal meeting room.

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

Agenda

Sturms made a motion to approve the agenda. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Minutes

Sisson made a motion to approve the minutes from June 20, 2016. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Scheduled Visitors

- Ron McCoy, President of A-1 Pump & Jet Services, Inc. presented Council with a Sewer Maintenance Proposal for 2017, 2018, and 2019. No action was taken.
- Dee Wessel, representative for WW Cattle, LLC, appeared before council to discuss the dangerous structure located at 715 4th St. The City Clerk will place an ad in the Chase County Leader News requesting bids for the demolition of all structures on the lot.

Enforcing Officer

- None

Mayor's Report

- Work should begin on removing the log jam once the water has receded.
- Mayor Baumgardner emailed Tom Bishop to request an update on the Homestead Project. Bishop has been waiting for the approval of the tax credits. While he did get some, it was not a large enough amount to make the proposed project work. Bishop has been doing some reconfiguring of the layout and believes he has found a solution. The plan now is to do away with the proposed four-plexes and reconfigure the gym into apartments. The limestone building will still be used as senior living. Council would like for Bishop to issue a press release on the matter to update the community on the progress of the project.
- Larkin made a motion to enter into an agreement with BG Consultants, Inc for the purpose of obtaining services for the Pearl Street Brick Improvements project for a lump sum of \$65,000. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

City Attorney's Report

- None

City Clerk's Report

- Larkin made a motion to accept Nate Passmore's bid of \$4250 to demolish and haul off the house on 336 Pine, haul in black dirt and level for grass. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The Council agreed that before purchasing the 2015 Codes, Larkin and Sisson would review the 2012 codes online.

Utilities Supervisor Report

- Studer made a motion to approve a contract with Emporia Construction & Remodeling, Inc. to replace 937 linear feet of curb and gutter on Union Street and add 3' wide aprons at the back side of the curb at the driveways for a cost of \$42,143. This revokes the previous contract approved on June 20, 2016 in the amount of \$44,337. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Rock has been ordered for the chip/seal project on Cherry St.
- The county would like to use MC800 oil on Cherry St.
- Council has agreed to allow the County to store approximately 4000 tons of millings.
- Due to a water leak, the water was shut off throughout town. The leak was quickly fixed but due to the loss of pressure, a boil advisory was issued by KDHE. Tests were run on the water and once results were in, KDHE removed the boil advisory.
- Jones would like to begin a long range plan to put in shut off valves throughout town so smaller portions of the town may be shut down when needed.
- Jones has been researching the easements on Rose Drive. The Register of Deeds shows that no easement has ever been recorded. Jones will continue researching.

Project Leaders

Sisson:

- None

Studer:

- None

Larkin:

- None

Sturms:

- None

Taylor:

- None

Planning Commission Report

- None

Unscheduled Visitors:

- None

Old Business:

Time Cards:

Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 25582-25602. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to approve a total of 31.5 hrs overtime. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Sturms moved to approve checks 25552-25581. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Studer seconded, motion carried.

Boyce Baumgardner

Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor

Tiffany R. Bonnen

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