

City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes
June 5, 2017

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m., May 5, 2017 at the municipal meeting room. Those members present were Mayor Boyce Baumgardner, Council Members Buddy Sisson, Mike Hastings, Bob Sturms and Pat Larkin, City Attorney Laura Allen, Utilities Supervisor David Jones and City Clerk Tiffany Bohnen. Councilman Shawn Taylor was not present. Guests: Steve Schlup, Delwin and Sharon Burton

Agenda

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

Minutes

Hastings made a motion to approve the minutes from May 15, 2017. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Planning Commission

- Hastings made a motion to approve Building Permit No. 2017-6 allowing for a temporary storage shed at 720 Pearl St. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Larkin made a motion to approve Building Permit No. 2017-7 allowing for a privacy fence at 102 Walnut St, contingent upon getting the required measurements for the front yard and the side yard. Sisson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Scheduled Visitors

- A dangerous structure hearing for 601 Maple St was to be held but no representatives from the property appeared before Council. Larkin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-13 finding that the structure located at 601 Maple St is unsafe or dangerous and directing that the structure be repaired or removed and the premises made safe no later than July 17, 2017. Sisson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report

- Larkin made a motion to enter into a 20-minute executive session at 6:17 p.m. to discuss nonelected personnel. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Returned to regular session at 6:37 p.m.
- Upon returning, Sturms made a motion to hire Chase Koehn as a seasonal part-time employee for the summer. Hastings seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- The gazebo has been placed on the patio south of the community building.

Utilities Supervisor Report

- Jones met with APAC regarding street repairs throughout town. Jones will have a written report at the following meeting.
- The rodeo board has requested that the dumpsters donated for the rodeo remain at the rodeo grounds until June 12th to accommodate a youth rodeo that will be in town. Consensus of the council to leave the dumpsters until the 12th of June.
- The city crew has been installing culverts throughout town.

City Clerk's Report

- Due to severe weather an RV camper's stay was cut short. The camper prepaid and would like to be refunded the 2 nights that he was unable to stay. The consensus of the Council was to refund the \$30 for the nights not stayed.
- Larkin made a motion to approve a special event request from the Chase County Recreation Commission to hold their morning rec program in Swope Park for the month of June. Hastings seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Sturms made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-12 authorizing the Grand Central Hotel to serve alcoholic liquor on the River Bridge on June 9, 2017. Hastings seconded the motion, with Larkin abstaining. Motion carried.

- Sisson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-14 determining that weed nuisances exist upon certain properties within the City of Cottonwood Falls and ordering the City Clerk to serve notice upon the owners and occupants. Hastings seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Sturms made a motion to authorize Clerk Bohnen to contact Jay Scott regarding the demolition of 621 S Walnut St. Hastings seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Council would like Bohnen to send the owners of 618 Oak a letter asking them to continue to make improvements in cleaning up the property.
- Dorneker will contact the owners of 420 Elm to determine when the debris from removing the dangerous structure will be removed from the property.
- Sturms made a motion to have the Code Enforcing Officer inspect the property located at 337 Pine St. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Bohnen is waiting on 3 plaques and then the 3 downtown benches will be placed on Broadway.
- Council reviewed Chapter 8 Article 1 of the Code Book. City Attorney Allen advised Council to replace the current language to defer all Board of Health issues to the County. Sturms made a motion to approve the changes in Chapter 8 Article 1. Sisson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Larkin made a motion to approve Chapter 8 Article 2 upon adjusting the penalty section to read "not less than \$50 or more than \$250". Sisson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Project Leaders

- Sisson made a motion to sponsor Hole No. 7 in the amount of \$50 for the Relay for Life golf tournament to be held on July 16, 2017. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Unscheduled Visitors

- Delwin and Sharon Burton appeared before Council to introduce themselves as the new owners of 315 Broadway. The couple has made many improvements to the building and are planning a grand opening for the weekend of the 17th. A special event request form will be filled out and the City will provide barricades for the event.

Time Cards:

Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 26444-26452 & 26486-26506. Sisson seconded. Motion carried.

Sturms motioned to approve a total of 16.5 hrs overtime. Larkin seconded. Motion carried.

Accounts Payable

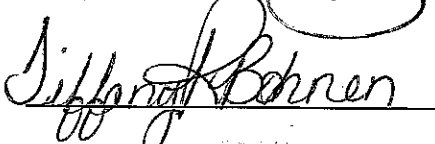
Sturms moved to approve checks 26454-26485, 26507-26508 with 26470 being voided. Hastings seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Sisson seconded. Motion carried.



Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor



Tiffany R. Bohnen, City Clerk

