

City of Cottonwood Falls Council Minutes
October 17, 2016

The regular meeting of the City of Cottonwood Falls City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m., October 17, 2016 at the municipal meeting room. Those members present were Mayor Boyce Baumgardner, Council Members Buddy Sisson, Carl Studer, Bob Sturms, Shawn Taylor and Pat Larkin, City Attorney Laura Allen, City Clerk Tiffany Bohnen and Utilities Supervisor David Jones.

Agenda

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

Minutes

Larkin made a motion to approve the minutes from September 19, 2016. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Scheduled Visitors

- Jason Hoskinson, BG Consultants, appeared to discuss the next steps the City should take after being awarded the KDWPT, State Wildlife Grant in the amount of \$500,000 to be used for the low-head dam project. Step #1 includes determining more refined project option(s) and cost estimate(s), developing a footprint, begin coordination with jurisdictional agencies for clearances, and exploring additional funding opportunities. A press release will be put in the paper to better inform the public of the project.
- Larkin made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Consultant-Client Agreement with BG Consultants, Inc for the purpose of obtaining services for the Low Head Dam Project for the amount of \$47,500. Sturms seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Enforcing Officer

- None

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Baumgardner presented the idea of requiring a bid for the removal of dangerous structures. The contract will be agreeing to demolish various properties within the City at a predetermined fee and will be established by price per square foot on 4 different categories; dwellings on a slab/foundation, dwellings on a basement, detached structures and mobile homes, and trees or landscaping. A contractor has the option to bid on some or all of these categories. Sealed bids will be opened Monday, November 7, 2016 at 6:00.
- Sturms made a motion to advertise for bids seeking a one year contract for the demolition of Dangerous Structures within the City of Cottonwood Falls. Larkin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held regarding having a permit for events held downtown so that everyone can be informed of any events taking place.
- The downtown planters have been replanted to mums along with daffodils and tulips.
- Council discussed options for removing the log jam. No action taken.

Utilities Supervisor Report

- The city received several quotes from Emporia Construction & Remodel for various repairs.
- No action was taken with the exception of a quote from Emporia Construction & Remodel to repair the manhole walls and pour new curb inlet top for \$250 was received. Sturms made a motion to approve this contract with Emporia Construction & Remodel also including the reattachment of the original plaque at the river bridge shown in a previous quote. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Jones attended Cross Connection Backflow Prevention training in Emporia from October 11-14, 2016.
- Sisson made a motion to install No Parking signs on Friend Street from the corner of State Street extending 80 feet west on the south side of Friend Street from 3 p.m. to 5:30 pm. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Jones has received the water system maps from Kansas Rural Water Association.

City Attorney's Report

- Allen thanked the City Council for sending her to the City Attorney's Association meeting in Overland Park. The meeting had a lot of good information and was very helpful.
- Allen will email a contract for the City and WW Cattle to sign designating the terms of repayment for the demolition of 715 4th St.

City Clerk's Report

- Council reviewed the September proof of cash.
- Sisson made a motion to approve a cereal malt beverage license renewal for Casey's General Store for 2017. Studer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Project Leaders

Sisson:

- No Report

Studer:

- No Report

Larkin:

- No Report

Sturms:

- A complaint was received regarding the items behind the Golden Living Center. Baumgardner will contact them to discuss options of cleanup.

Taylor:

- Taylor has been working on several improvements at the Chase Disc Golf Course including: putting a bridge in at Hole 17, cutting a path, and putting cork board on the kiosk.
- A decision should be made within the next few days on whether a Veteran's Day tournament will be held.

Planning Commission Report

- None

Unscheduled Visitors:

- None

Old Business:

Time Cards:

Sturms motioned to approve timecards and payroll checks 25892-25898. Studer seconded. Motion carried.

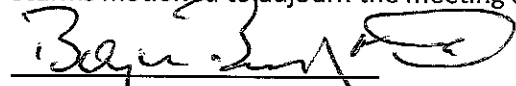
Sturms motioned to approve a total of 15.5 hrs overtime. Studer seconded. Motion carried.

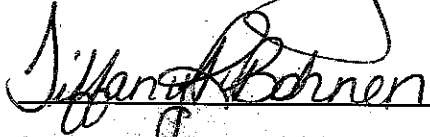
Accounts Payable

Sturms moved to approve checks 25890, 25891, & 25899-25925. Studer seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Sturms motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Studer seconded. Motion carried.


Boyce Baumgardner, Mayor


Tiffany R. Bohnen, City Clerk

