

Minutes from July 12, 2021

Present: Mayor Semisch, Bruce Proctor, Regina Abbott, Steve Schuetz, Darcie Gomez, and Geri Ebersohl. George Laidler represented Maintenance. Jennifer Braden was present for Code Enforcement/Public officer, Steve Howard for the Police. In the audience: Doug Goetz and Colton Woodard from Wilson and Company and Melissa Donham was present for the Lion Pride Committee.

Mayor Semisch opened the meeting at 6:30.

Bruce Proctor made a motion to approve the minutes from June 14, 2021, meeting with the correction of adding the person who 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion on the bid Central Sealing in the old business section on B. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed 5-0. Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the bills Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

none

#### **Old Business:**

Jodie is to send Velocity an email to get clarification of the understanding that Velocity is not put up any poles, not attached to the house, without first having a permit approved by the City.

#### **PRIDE COMMITTEE:**

(a) Melissa asked if the Council would consider paying to allow the Lion Pride Committee have a sand volleyball pit using the Park fund. Darcie Gomez made a motion to pay for a sand volleyball pit overseen by the Lion Pride Committee. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0. Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve a beer garden for the Harvest Home Festival downtown. Steve Schuetz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0. Melissa mentioned the possibility of changing the name of the Harvest Home Festival to Leon Days. Regina Abbott said that was a good idea. The Council asked to get opinions so the Lion Pride Committee will post a poll. Melissa also asked the Council to refer any person, group, or organization to the Lion Pride Committee like other city's do so the Lion Pride Committee can help them with panning and making sure City regulations are being followed and help keep track to make sure nothing else is going on.

#### **Agenda:**

(a) Jeremiah Anderson needs additional time to pay off his culvert. Steve Schuetz made a motion to approve a \$50 payment plan until paid off. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0.

(b) Doug with Wilson and Company presented information for the Council and prepared them for the decisions that will need to be made next month at the Public Hearing.

#### **Order of Violations:**

Steve Schuetz made a motion to approve the Notice of Order. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0.

### **Permit Approvals:**

none

### **Staff Reports:**

#### **Maintenance Report:**

Fleming's is tearing up the road still. Jodie is to talk with Gick about having the trucks back up and not go onto Central St. and tell them if they don't stop, they will be fined and be charged for the repairs. A map was provided to the Council of what South Central is resealing. Bruce said he did bid it long so be sure to get the additional places added. Butch said they will update the map of their repairs and South Central will have that available. Butch discussed the property by the bus barn that is for sale and the water and sewer difficulties that exists for these. He said Jodie did talk with the realtor, but they have not come in to go into more specifics. The seal went out on the grader today. The Council said to call David Rush and see if he will. They will call David Rush and then if not get with Steve and see if he can come up with other names. Mayor Semisch will ask also for names.

#### **Clerks Report:**

Bruce Proctor made a motion to send the County Clerk the intent to increase the RNR rate for the 2022 budget. Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to pursue asking for more water rights. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to contact an attorney to start the renewal of the RWD #6 contract that expires in November of 2025.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to approve a letter to the bank giving permission for the Jodie Laidler, City Clerk, to open a new bank account at Vintage Bank Kansas for the ARPA funds. The account should be structured like the other Money Market account. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0.

Tony from TD Tire is needing to have his contract renewed and he would like to come to the meeting since he is wanting to raise his trash rate by \$0.50 and have clean up weeks cost \$150 extra on top of the regular monthly charge. The Council said to make the changes and send it to him and bring the contract to them next month.

Approved with the bills was also the \$1,000 for exceeding the water rights but with the motion to pursue more this will not happen again, or it shouldn't.

**Courts Report:** Court went well this month. We did not have any city people attend. There were a lot of Failure to Appear. We did have a warrant that was served this last month.

**Law Report:** Taurus is back. The Charger is waiting on a cage and the Vic is now being worked on. We will start the food for fines to help reduce a payment, it is \$5 off a can and a limit of 10 cans. We did talk to Jesse to look at the Tahoe. Jesse said we wouldn't get what was worth it and so try to get it looked at and see what it needs. Steve doesn't want officers to be riding together with weekends being an exception. Darcie likes the coverage and thinks we should be able to have more than one. As long as there is continuous coverage and not 3 one night and non for 3 days then. We will be getting the

Facebook page up soon and we will start going to give tickets for 6mph over. The radars on the cars are #’d KA and now they are no longer able to be serviced. Chief Howard said we are having an issue with only 1 right now and the handheld can be used but eventually they will all go. Steve suggested getting bids and let them know what those are and find out the warranty if any on a refurbished one. Chief Howard told them about KBI coming and doing the audit. No one that isn’t fingerprinted and a background check then they cannot be allowed in the building without being escorted. Jodie even has to watch anyone in the building and there needs to be a gate or a wall up to stop access past the desk.

**Code Enforcement/Public Officer report:** Jennifer is trying to speed up quadrants. Jennifer says she is confused on talking with landowners vs. tenant. Jennifer was directed to start making more personal contact and the landowner is to be given more time and to make sure we do call them since they have filled out the landlord permit. Darcie and Geri want a courtesy call to be given since we will charge a fee if they ignore the issue.

**Mayor:**

We have a demo and haul off for South St. from Reese Arnold. Darcie asked about the names she sent. She asked about Hebb and Jodie said Jake Grow suggested him. Darcie said she will reach out to Justin and Jodie will send her the name of the one that didn’t get back.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to go into executive session for personnel for 10 minutes. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0. In executive session at 9:30pm and out at 9:40pm. Mayor Semisch wants to have to ad put out for a Maintenance person and Steve did say we need to have the wording that it could lead into a supervisory position. Council knows it can be months to find someone and when the new hire comes on Bruce can go back to part-time until the new hire feels comfortable.

**Council:**

Nothing

**Open Forum:**

Nothing

Bruce Proctor made a motion to adjourn. Steve Schuetz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.