

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**DECEMBER 9, 2014**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:** Members present were Councilmembers Kirk Clawson, Irlan Fullbright, Rick Wilson, James McCormick and Mayor Koelsch. Councilmember Alan Brauer was absent. Also present was Mary Jo Cunningham representing the Ellinwood Leader.

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Councilmember Rick Wilson to approve minutes for the November 3, 2014 special council meeting and November 10, 2014 regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

**D. APPROPRIATIONS:** A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to authorize payment of bills and claims processed, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

**E. OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**F. VISITORS:** Ron and Mary Jo Cunningham, Gordon Eggers, Donita Goosen, Chris Komarek.

Gordon Eggers addressed council regarding trash containers being left curbside after trash pickup. He also addressed concerns regarding vehicles parked in front yards.

Donita Goosen inquired about flood control issues.

**G. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Koelsch requested an addition to the agenda for appointment of City Treasurer.

1. Service Award: A service award was presented to Donna Mason for her 5 years of service to the City of Ellinwood.
2. Review of Cereal Malt Beverage Applications: All cereal malt beverage licenses are due for renewal at the December meeting. The City has received the following applications for license issuance:

**General Retailer**  
Kansas Sidewinders MC

**Container Retailer**  
H & T Stop 2 Shop  
Pop N Shop  
Zip Stop  
Ellinwood Family Foods

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A motion was made by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright to approve the cereal malt beverage licenses for the year 2015, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

3. Review of Longevity Pay: Presented to council was an amendment to the City of Ellinwood Longevity Policy. The current policy states that an employee is eligible for longevity pay, provided that employee has completed five consecutive, uninterrupted years of service or more with the City as of December 1<sup>st</sup>. The current policy does not address pro-rata payment of longevity pay if the employee terminates employment before December 1<sup>st</sup>. The amendment adds that the individual must still be an employee of the City on December 1<sup>st</sup> and no pro-ration of benefits shall be paid if a qualified individual terminates employment prior to December 1<sup>st</sup>.

A motion was made by Councilmember James McCormick to approve the amendment to the Longevity Pay Policy, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson.

4. Discussion regarding 1951 Fire Truck: Staff reported this 1951 Fire Truck was previously owned by the City of Ellinwood. It was sold to City of Rozel for \$5000. The City of Rozel recently acquired another pumper truck through the forestry department and would like to sell this truck. The City has been in contact with City of Rozel about the acquisition of this truck. The City of Rozel would like \$3000 in addition to a couple pieces of used equipment valued at approximately \$1000. Chris Komarek explained the importance of re-acquiring this vehicle to the history of the fire department. Chris also explained the fire department received approximately \$3100 in memorials for Daryle Nielsen and suggested using this memorial money to purchase the truck which the Nielsen family has approved.

Motion was made by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright to approve the purchase of the fire truck from City of Rozel for \$3000 and the exchange of used equipment in the value of \$1000, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

5. Appointment of Treasurer: Mayor Koelsch recommended the appointment of Janice Birzer as City Treasurer. A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to approve the appointment of Janice Birzer as City Treasurer, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

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6. Executive Session: An executive session is requested for the discussion of matters pertaining to attorney-client privilege. A motion was made by Councilmember Rick Wilson to adjourn into executive session for ten (10) minutes for discussion of matters pertaining to attorney-client privilege and that the council meeting will reconvene in the council chambers. Councilmember Kirk Clawson seconded the motion. Motion carried. All present voting in favor. The governing body recessed into executive session at 8:10 p.m.

Meeting reconvened into regular session at 8:20 p.m. No action taken.

**REPORTS:**

1. Municipal Court Report: Presented to Council was the Municipal Court Report for November, 2014.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
  - a) Staff reported Christmas lights on the buildings are worn out and will have to be replaced next year. This was originally a Chamber of Commerce project and the chamber has been notified.
  - b) Staff reported bathrooms at the park have been winterized and closed for the winter.
  - c) Staff reported the city should be receiving a quote for seeding grass in the south ditch.
  - d) Staff reported the ambulance department has received two grants, one from the State of Kansas for the EMR class and a car seat grant from the Golden Belt Community Foundation.
  - e) Staff explained that approval has been received from FEMA for purchase of chain saws under the Fire Grant.
  - f) Staff explained there were 5 participants in the EMR class. At this point 4 of the 5 have passed their exams.
  - g) Staff reported the KPP annual meeting will be this Friday in Wichita.
  - h) Staff reported the City office will close at 3:00 on Christmas Eve and be closed the Friday after Christmas.

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**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilmember James McCormick. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

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Frank Koelsch, Mayor

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Kim Scharz, City Clerk