

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JULY 14, 2015
7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL: Members present were Councilmembers Rick Wilson, Kirk Clawson, Gaila Nielsen, Alan Brauer and Mayor Irlan Fullbright. Councilmember James McCormick was absent. Also present was Mary Jo Cunningham, representing the Ellinwood Leader and Russ Edem representing the Great Bend Tribune.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen to approve minutes for the June 9, 2015 regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. 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 Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

E. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

F. VISITORS: Terry Boor, Debbie Komarek, Ron and Mary Jo Cunningham, Robert Peter, City Attorney, Russ Edem, Chris Komarek, Alex Feil, Josh Komarek, Cassie and Mark Batchman, DeSales Feist, Kathy Hines, Richard and Dorothy Miller and Judy Hayes

Terry Boor addressed council with several issues. She first wanted to thank the council for progress made in cleaning up some yards. She still has questions as to what can be done in regard to the house across from her brother's property on Sixth Street. She also expressed concerns on the handling of the Main Street building demolition and voiced a concern with the police department's handling of an incident.

Cassie and Mark Batchman were present at the meeting and handed out a letter to each councilmember requesting them to read it privately.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Service Award: A service award was presented to Chris Komarek for his 35 years of service to the City of Ellinwood Electric Department.
2. Set Work Study Session for 2016 Budget Review: A study session is recommended to review the 2016 budget.

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A motion was made by Councilmember Rick Wilson to schedule the budget review session for Monday, July 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

3. Sidewinders Request for Use of City Park and Consumption of CMB:
Presented to council was a request from the Kansas Sidewinders MC to use the west end of the City Park for their Annual Fallen Brother Run on August 22, 2015. They are also requesting permission for consumption of cereal malt beverages at the City Park on that date.

Councilmember Rick Wilson made the motion to approve the use of the City Park for the Kansas Sidewinders MC Annual Fallen Brother Run on August 22, 2015 and adopt Ordinance 2015-7, an ordinance that allows for the consumption of cereal malt beverages in the City Park on August 22, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

4. Replace Wood Street Light Poles with Metal on Santa Fe Blvd: Currently, all of the street lights along Santa Fe Boulevard are attached to wooden poles. When these poles have to be relocated as part of the KDOT project, it must be decided whether to go back with wooden or steel poles. KDOT will only pay the cost of replacement with similar materials. The additional cost of upgrading the wooden poles to metal would be the responsibility of the city. The street lights are currently High Pressure Sodium (HPS) lights. Alternatively, the street lights can be upgraded with LED lights at an additional cost. Each LED fixture has an annual cost savings of approximately \$72.

Considering the relative costs, a motion was made by Councilmember Alan Brauer to approve replacement with wooden poles and upgrade to LED lighting, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

5. Decision on 1st & Wilhelm Rose Garden: Staff explained that during the reconstruction of this section of the highway, for the KDOT Santa Fe Boulevard Drainage Project, the rose garden located at 1st and Wilhelm will be removed so the curbing can be replaced. KDOT needs to know whether to replace the rose garden or proceed with something different. Council directed staff to visit with the president of the garden club and proceed as they request.

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6. Executive Session: An executive session is requested for discussion of acquisition of property. A motion was made by Councilmember Rick Wilson to adjourn into executive session for 15 minutes for discussion of acquisition of property and that the council meeting will reconvene in the council chambers, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All present voting in favor. The governing body recessed into executive session at 7: 45 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:00 p.m. Staff explained there is a piece of property at Hirsch and Santa Fe that is available for sale. The city currently has a water main that runs through this property. Staff recommends that we purchase this property for \$3500. A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to approve the purchase of a piece of property at Hirsch and Santa Fe for \$3500, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

REPORTS:

1. Municipal Court Report: Presented to Council was the Municipal Court Report for June, 2015.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
 - a) Staff has met with engineers on the KDOT project. The sewer line will go on the south side of the highway along the American Legion property. KDOT has moved their start date to February, but still wants the city to relocate utility lines as soon as possible.

- I. **ADJOURNMENT**: There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilmember Alan Brauer. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

Irlan Fullbright, Mayor

Kim Schartz, City Clerk