

Regular meeting of the mayor and council was held May 4, 2020, 5:30 p.m., at City Hall. Mayor John Bisnette presided. Council members present: Jane VanDonge, Evan Joy, Charlie Stevens, Joyce Hake. Devin Renken was absent. Others present: Bruce Berkley, Kent Sullivan, Harry Colburn, Miranda Robinson, Sheri Naasz, Richard Judd, Marcus Betzold, Craig Stockebrand and Drew Hoops with Wilson & Co.

Mayor Bisnette called the meeting to order and led in the flag salute.

Joyce moved, Jane seconded, to approve minutes of the April 20, 2020 Regular Meeting as submitted. Carried.

Joyce moved, Charlie seconded, to approve minutes of the April 24, 2020 Special Meeting as submitted. Carried.

Osborne County Sheriff Deputy Marcus Betzold presented the law enforcement report for the period of March 1 - May 1.

Sheri Naasz, on behalf of Cushing Insurance Agency, and EMC Insurance, presented the city a dividend check from the Kansas Municipality Safety Group Program.

Code Enforcement officer Harry Colburn reported he received several verbal complaints about yards that are over grown. He tried contacting one resident but they hung up on him, his next step will be to send letters for yards to be mowed. A property on North Morgan was discussed and Colburn will reach out to the owner to get the property cleaned up.

Animal control reported he will review properties that applied for large animal permits at the end of May.

Craig Stockebrand along with Doug Goetz, via Zoom, of Wilson & Co. presented the bids for the Water Treatment Plant construction to the council. Bids were opened and received at the city office on April 28. The engineers recommended to award the building contract to APAC-Kansas, Inc. as they had the lowest bid. There was discussion on the alternate options and budget of the project.

Evan moved, Joyce seconded, to award APAC-Kansas, Inc. the contract for the Water Treatment Plant including the five alternate options for construction contingent of KDHE approval. Carried.

Joyce moved, Jane seconded, to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement with APAC-Kansas, Inc. for construction. Carried.

Superintendent Sullivan stated the new pool motor should be here next week. Discussion was held on opening dates for the pool. The pool will open Memorial Day weekend as usual, unless the governor orders change.

City crew has expanded the bridge near Railroad and Kansas from 14ft to 21 ft wide and added railing. The leaking fire hydrant at Kansas and Railroad will be addressed Wednesday. Drainage ditches have been cleaned out and made more efficient, still have some work to do.

Sullivan stated Johnson and Johnson will be in town within 30 days to clean out sewer lines. Abram's will be hauling in the cold mix this week.

City Clerk read a letter from the Junior Class Sponsors asking for the Memorial Hall rental fees to be waived so they can tentatively have prom July 18.

Evan moved, Charlie seconded, to waive the Memorial Hall rental fees for Lakeside High School Prom July 17-19, 2020. Carried.

Mayor Bisnette appointed Gloria Schoen to the Library Board.

Mayor Bisnette appointed city officers for 2019-2020: Municipal Judge, Kenneth Lee; City Clerk, Miranda Robinson; Assistant City Clerk, Raquel Wyman; Treasurer, Dave Draayer; City Superintendent, Kent Sullivan; Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator, Kent Sullivan; City Attorney, Bruce Berkley; Code Enforcement, Harry Colburn; Animal Control, Richard Judd.

Joyce moved, Charlie seconded, to approve the Mayor's appointments. Carried.

Jane moved, Joyce seconded, to approve contractor's license 20-36. Carried.

Joyce moved, Jane seconded, to approve building permit 20-07. Carried.

Joyce moved, Evan seconded, to approve demolition permit 20-08. Carried.

Jane moved, Evan seconded, to approve building permit 20-09. Carried.

Joyce moved, Jane seconded, to approve building & demolition permit 20-10. Carried.

Joyce moved, Jane seconded, to approve building permit 20-06. Carried.

Evan moved, Jane seconded, to approve vouchers and payroll. Carried.

At 7:05 p.m. Evan moved, Jane seconded, to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel with council, mayor, city attorney, Harry and Kent.

Joyce moved, Evan seconded, to terminate Brody Metz. Carried.

At 7:40 p.m. Evan moved, Jane seconded, to go into executive session for 10 minutes with council, mayor, Avery Berkley, and city superintendent.

Evan moved, Jane seconded, to hire Avery Berkley as a seasonal employee at \$11/hour contingent on drug screen results. Carried.

At 7:50 p.m. Evan moved, Jane seconded, to go into executive session with mayor, council, and city attorney for 15 minutes.

At 8:06 p.m. Evan moved, Jane seconded, to adjourn. Carried.

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John L. Bisnette, Mayor

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Miranda Robinson, Clerk