

Regular meeting of the mayor and council was held July 6, 2015, 5:00 p.m., at city hall. Mayor Jennifer Brush presided. Council members present: John Bisnette, Devin Renken, Tonya Kuhn, and John Cary. Teri Cordill was absent. Also present: Bruce Berkley, Josh Berkley, Vickie Oviatt, Terry Gradig, Ron Duran, LaRhea Cole, Jerry Knouf, Paul Brohman.

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

John C. moved, seconded by Devin, to approve the regular meeting minutes of June 15, 2015. Carried.

John C. moved, seconded by John B., to approve the minutes of the special meeting on June 23, 2015. Carried. Tonya abstained.

Josh Berkley, Boy Scout, was present to update the council on his Eagle project at the Whiteway Stage. He plans to do stamped concrete on the base. Mayor Brush signed a document for the project.

Jerry Knouf, Osborne County Sheriff Deputy, gave the law enforcement report for the period of June 1, 2015 through July 1, 2015. There was discussion concerning fireworks and truck traffic on the side streets.

Ron Duran reported on routine activity. He has had a few stray dogs.

Scot Loyd, Swindoll, Janzen, Hawk, & Loyd, LLC, was present to give the 2014 audit report. Scot reviewed his suggestions and recommendations for management and the governing body. Following review, Scot began the process for planning the 2016 budget. There was lengthy discussion. Scot will make the changes leaving the mill levy the same. Council will have a special meeting for further review.

Terry reported that the city crew has mowed one property. John C. asked about sending a letter to Thomas and Sons Trucking. John C. moved to the city attorney send a weed notice to the property owners on the east and west side of the 200 block of Morgan. Motion died, lack of a second. Council requested that Terry send the letter.

Terry reported that Wilson & Co. will attend the July 20th meeting regarding the west side sewer improvements. Terry has four fire hydrants to change out. The crew has completed seven blocks of street sealing. With the construction on Morgan Ave., additional stop and yield signs have been installed on side streets. Terry had a person needing community service paint the hand railing at the memorial hall. Terry has completed maintenance on some of the alleyways off of Morgan Avenue due to the increased traffic.

Council approved for Dale Goheen to continue farming the west lagoons as it is keeping the weeds down.

Mayor Brush reported that KDOT will be here July 22nd reviewing the potential KLINK projects.

Bruce reported for the Housing Authority Board that they will be required to have someone complete an Environmental Review. These are needed for grant purposes. A regional planning agency may do the

review, but the city would need to sign off on the results. It was agreed to see what other cities in the area are doing.

John C. moved, seconded by Devin, to approve a renewal permit for solid waste #15-49. Carried.

John C. moved, seconded by Tonya, to approve building permit #15-17. Carried.

Tonya moved, seconded by John C., to approve special use permits #15-30 and #15-31. Carried.

Devin reported that there is interest in designating an area for a farmer's market, possibly between the basketball court and the pool. There was discussion and if it would impact the city insurance.

Devin had checked with Ron Duran on the welfare of some dogs and Ron said that they were not abandoned.

John B. reported that he is checking with Tonya to see if there is still money is available from clinic donations.

Tonya provided a Sample Social Media Policy for review. City Attorney discussed the phone use at the swimming pool and suggested that all phones go into a basket.

John C. complimented the Chamber of Commerce on the job they do.

Council will have a special meeting on July 22nd to discuss the 2016 budget.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed. John C. moved, seconded by Tonya, to approve the payroll and vouchers as presented. Carried.

John B. moved, seconded by Devin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Jennifer Brush – Mayor

Vickie Oviatt – Clerk

