

Regular meeting of the mayor and council was held August 6, 2018, 5:00 p.m., at city hall. Mayor Justin Towery presided. Council members present: Jane VanDonge, Evan Joy, John Bisnette, Devin Renken, and Tonya Kuhn. Others in attendance: Bruce Berkley, Danny Miner, Terry Gradig, Vickie Oviatt, Jeff Shelton, Ron Duran, Jim Cary, Mike Foster, and Richard Boxum.

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

Devin moved, seconded by Evan, to approve the regular meeting minutes of July 16, 2018. Carried.

Deputy Danny Miner presented the law enforcement report of activity for the period of July 1 – August 1, 2018. He mentioned notes that have been taped to vehicles from the Sovereign Citizens group. He requested, if any are found, that they be turned in to the sheriff's office.

Jeff Shelton gave the code enforcement report for July. Certified letters have been delivered. Jeff updated the council on properties that have been addressed.

City Attorney reported that Sheldon Remus has received a copy of the sewer agreement for review.

Ron Duran presented his written report of animal control for July. There was discussion.

City Superintendent reported that the street project at the pool is completed. John Hutson's last day as seasonal employee will be August 8th. Terry asked to keep Kyle Alflen on through September. John moved to allow the superintendent to keep Kyle Alflen on through September and increase his hours up to 40 hours a week. Devin seconded. Carried.

Terry reported that Prairie Land has shown some interest in the city lots available. The city crew has been repairing water lines. They will be starting on street repair. Mayor Towery asked about doing some curb and gutter repair. There was discussion.

Bruce reported on the successful grant application submitted for memorial hall. Devin moved, seconded by John, to accept the Dane G Hansen foundation grant of \$150,000.00. Carried.

Tonya moved to approve builder licenses #18-44, 18-45, and 18-46. Jane seconded the motion. Carried.

The KIAC meeting is scheduled for August 14, at 9:00 a.m. at the USDA Office in Hays. Mayor Towery and John Bisnette will be attending.

Railroad extension discussion was tabled until the next regular meeting.

Following discussion, Tonya moved to allow the city superintendent to purchase a new flashing light for the north end of the school zone, along with a sign specifying times, at a cost of up to \$1500.00. Devin seconded the motion. Carried.

Vouchers and payrolls were reviewed and signed. Devin moved to approve the vouchers and payrolls as presented. Carried.

At 6:00 p.m., Mayor Towery opened the public hearing for comment on the proposed 2019 budget. Council heard from Richard Boxum and Bruce Berkley. Following comment time, Mayor Towery declared the public hearing closed at 6:48 p.m.

At 6:50 p.m. John moved to adjourn. Devin seconded. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Justin Towery, Mayor

Vickie Oviatt, Clerk