CITY OF GEARY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES October 9,, 2014

The Geary City Council members met on the above date for their regular monthly meeting. In accordance with the open meeting law, the agenda and meeting notice were posted on the window of City Hall, 115 S. Broadway, before 5:00 pm, Wednesday, October 8, 2014.

Mayor, Leslie Swinerton, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Those answering roll call were Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Ronnie Wheeler, Bobby Allen and Cozetta Johnson. City Attorney Raymond Vincent joined the meeting at 6:10 pm. Guests present were Public Works Director Jeff Choate, Police Chief Waylan Upchego, Officer Steve Cerbu, Accounting Consultant Linda Woodruff, Payroll clerk Jeremy Springer, city employee Lee Posey, Insurance Brokers Tom and Kathy Sexton and Andy Bigbie, and Beulah Land Church Pastor G W Bookman.

Leslie Swinerton led the flag salute.

Tom and Kathy Sexton were here to introduce their replacement for our insurance needs, Andie Bigbie with Bigbie Hensley & Janway. Tom and Kathy will be retiring later this month.

Andie Bigbie presented the board with information concerning the updates to the employee insurance. With the affordable care act there are compliance issues that have to be addressed each year. We changed our enrollment dates last year to coincide with the calendar year to make these changes easier. Our new enrollment dates will be in December 2014, with an effective date of January 2015. Andie's firm can set us up on line to complete a lot of the open enrollment data, or meet the employees face to face, whichever is easier for the employees. He also introduced a new tool called "FreshBennies". This is a tool the employees can use to call a doctor for a consultation if there is an emergency or they do not have a way to get to a clinic. This would be an extra cost that the council will have to consider. No action to be taken at this time.

Elder G.W. Bookman and Karen Howell were here to ask the council for help with the demolition of a house the Beulah Land Church owns. The church does not have the funds to pay for the demolition and removal of the house and are asking the council for assistance. Bobby Allen suggested some options for the church to consider and come back to the council with their thoughts on the project. This item was tabled until the next council meeting.

Linda Woodruff presented the council with the monthly accounting report and advised them that she will be on vacation later this month. She will return from her vacation the day before the next council meeting (November 6th) and will not be able to have the accounting report for that meeting. It was suggested that the November meeting be rescheduled to Monday November 10th.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to approve the monthly accounting report. Ayes: Bobby Allen, Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Cozetta Johnson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

No action on annexing property into the city limits.

Jeremy Springer presented the council with a proposal from Studio FJ to consider changing the web hosting site from Webit 360 to Studio FJ. Studio FJ is the site designed and set up the City of Geary Web page. Studio FJ will charge \$25.00 per month where Webit 360 charges \$480.00 per year. Webit 360 manages our e-mail accounts and our domain name. Changing the web hosting site will not affect the management of the domain and the email accounts. Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to change the Web Site hosting service to Studio FJ. Ayes: Bobby Allen, Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to hire Jeremy Springer for HR Services at \$100.00 per hour for not more than 8 hours per month. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: Bobby Allen and Ronnie Wheeler. Motion passed.

No action on applying for REAO or CDBG grants.

No action on the Family Dollar Store.

The police department will notify the city council and mayor of any critical information with 24 hours of the incident.

Discussion on changing the voting ward boundaries will be put on the November agenda.

No action on the bank balances.

No action on the direct deposits for the month.

Bobby Allen made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to approve the consent agenda as follows: approve to encumber \$47,075.79 for the October payrolls. Approve to pay the September bills in the amount of \$26,510.46. And approve the transfer of \$28,584.00 from the GUA to the General Fund. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Ronnie Wheeler, Cozetta Johnson, and Bobby Allen. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve the September 8th and 22nd minutes. Ayes: Bobby Allen, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, Tabbitha Kiener, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve to pay the invoice for 4 Pocket Finders, 1 vehicle Charger shipping and handling, and a monthly service fee in the amount of \$1,270.55. Ayes: Ronnie Wheeler, Bobby Allen, Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Bobby Allen to approve the monthly police report. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, Ronnie Wheeler, Ernest Allen, Bobby Allen, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None. Bobby Allen made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to purchase 3 body worn video cameras @ \$885.00 each with shipping and handling @\$23.00 for a total of \$2,678.00, from VIEVU. These cameras will be downloaded as soon as the officer enters the police department and videos will be backed up to the cloud for safe keeping. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Ronnie Wheeler, Cozetta Johnson, and Bobby Allen. Nays: None.

No action on purchasing Tasers.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Bobby Allen to appoint Stephen Haynes as the City of Geary Municipal Court Judge effective November 1, 2014. Mr. Haynes will be paid \$750.00 per month with one (1) court date per month. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Ronnie Wheeler, Bobby Allen, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

No action on repairs for the east wall of City Hall and repairs for the water line access ports in the bathrooms.

No action on changing Trick or Treat night.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to have Bobby Allen, Cozetta Johnson, and Jeff Choate take care of getting Christmas Garland and lights for Main Street for not more than \$6,500.00. Ayes: Bobby Allen, Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to give the employees a Christmas Bonus using the same schedule as used in the past. Ayes: Bobby Allen, Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Bobby Allen to set the employee Christmas Dinner for 1:00 pm on the Saturday of the Christmas Parade. The City will purchase the meat and the employees will bring the sides. The Christmas Parade will be set by the Chamber at their next meeting. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Ronnie Wheeler, Bobby Allen, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

There was no unforeseen or old business to discuss.

Bobby Allen made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 pm. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Tabbitha Kiener, Cozetta Johnson, Ronnie Wheeler, and Bobby Allen. Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Passed and approved this _____day of ______2014, by ____

Mayor, Leslie Swinerton