

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 May 4, 2016.

Mayor, Bobby Allen, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Those answering roll call were John Gregerson, Cozetta Johnson, Ronnie Wheeler, Leslie Swinerton, and Ernest Allen. Also present were City Attorney Raymond Vincent, Public Works Director/Fire Chief Jeff Choate, Police officers Steve Cerbu, Cecil Harrall, Police Chief Waylan Upchego, City Accountant Linda Woodruff, and Payroll Clerk Jeremy Springer, OMPA representative Ryan Piersal, Loice Nofsinger, Elisha Bingham, Linda Bingham, Cynthia Arnold, Cathy Allen, Mike Allen, and Jim Shelton.

Loice Nofsinger questioned the council about item #18-a quit claim mineral deed for property that the city had purchased in June of 2000. The property was later sold with the city retaining the water rights. The original deed did not specify that the minerals were not sold to the city. Item #20-a Resolution directing the filing and notification of publication of the supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Geary, the city ordinances must be codified every 2 years and added to the Code of Ordinances. Item #26-the city was considering the purchase of property located at 224 S. Broadway, no cost had been discussed. And item #5 on the GUA agenda for increasing the utility rates, no discussion has taken place at this time.

Mike Allen addressed the council about an incident with the police department and a person who seemed to be confused about where he was, the police officer transported the citizen to a location at his request. The council was not able to address this, but would look into the matter.

Linda Woodruff presented the monthly accounting report. There were no outstanding differences for the last month. We are preparing for the next years budgets and checking to make sure all accounts are in the correct financial department for the upcoming audits. Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Leslie Swinerton to approve the monthly report. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

This meeting was recessed at 6:15 pm and reconvened at 6:30 pm.

Jeremy Springer, payroll clerk, suggested that the city set up a separate checking account for all the payroll payments to be paid out of. With the direct deposits all coming out of the same account, it might make the accounting easier if all the payments were out of the same account. The money will be transferred from the General and the GUA accounts to make up payroll.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to set up a City of Geary Payroll checking account at the Bank of Western Oklahoma just for payroll and payroll expenses. The checks will require 3 signatures, two (2) signature stamps and one (1) original. Authorized signatures are: Mary J. Hays, Teresa Hicks, Mary Wright, and Bobby Allen. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Jeremy also informed the council that Microsoft is upgrading their system to Windows 10, and will be making it requirement. The new system search engine will be Edge and does not support other search engines. This will require users to change their email hosts. This will cost about \$12.50 per email account or about \$2200.00 annually.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to make the changes to Windows 10 and the email hosts to be effective July 1, 2016. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to schedule a public hearing, for the final performance report on FY-13 CDBG #15567 New Fire Station Grant, on Monday May 16th at 6:00 pm. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to schedule a budget workshop for Thursday My 12th at 6:00pm. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Cozetta Johnson, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Leslie Swinerton made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to hire CBEW Professional Group, LLP, to perform the City of Geary Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, Cozetta Johnson, and Leslie Swinerton. Nays: None.

Meeting recessed at 7:26 pm and reconvened at 7:40 pm.

Fire Chief, Jeff Choate, reported to the council that the fire station is finished. A walk through was conducted on April 20, 2016, with only a few items to be touched up. The blown in insulation was coming off in one place, so Jeff has requested a letter for an extended warranty on the insulation. The Fire Marshal has been out and given his OK with a certificate of occupancy to follow. Also, the fence has been put up. The Fire Department is planning an open house for this station on May 9th at 7:00 pm.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to approve the Fire Station update from Fire Chief Jeff Choate. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, John Gregerson, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to approve to pay application #6 from Cedar Ridge General Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$24897.19 to finish the Fire Substation contract. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, John Gregerson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Application #7 by Cedar Ridge General Contracting LLC, requesting \$26,139.13 for the amount of retained funds will be discussed at the May 16th meeting.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to set a cost limit of \$15.00 per meal for employees in training. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Cozetta Johnson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Ernest Allen made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to accept the police report as given by Waylan Upchego. Ayes: John Gregerson, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, Cozetta Johnson, and Ernest Allen. Nays: None.

A resident's vehicle was damaged during an arrest last fall. The resident requests that the city reimburse him for the cost of repairs. All damage requests must be turned in as Tort Claims to be sent to the city insurance company before the council can act on them. No action.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to officially retire K-9 dog Con. We should be hearing about the new K-9 dog soon. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Leslie Swinerton to approve signing a quit claim mineral deed for property that was purchased on June 15, 2000. The first deed inadvertently did not state that the minerals stayed with the original owner. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Ronnie Wheeler, Leslie Swinerton, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to accept a property located at 305 SW Boulevard as a gift from the heirs. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

John Gregerson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to adopt Resolution #2016-01 directing filing and notification of the publication of the May 5, 2016, supplement to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Geary. Ayes: Cozetta Johnson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and John Gregerson. Nays: None.

No action on the April 30, 2016 bank balances and the monthly direct deposits.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to approve the consent agenda as follows: Approve to encumber \$54,334.30 for the May payrolls, including the fireman pay. Approve the release of the General checks for the April bills in the amount of \$20,995.95. And approve the release of the Construction Fund checks in the amount of \$2,286.43. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Cozetta Johnson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to approve the April 7th minutes. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by John Gregerson to accept the one bid to mow the highway 281 right of way, in the amount of \$7,800.00. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, John Gregerson, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

The property located at 224 S Broadway has already sold. No action.

Meeting recessed at 8:12 pm and returned at 8:5 pm.

Ronnie Wheeler made the motion seconded by Cozetta Johnson to go into executive session, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307-B-1, at 8:50 pm, for the purpose of discussing hire, fire, demote, promote, discipline, or resignation of city employees Waylan Upchego and Cecil Harrall, and to hire a pool manager and lifeguards for the 2016 summer season. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Cozetta Johnson, and Ronnie Wheeler. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to reconvene the regular session at 9:41 pm. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to hire Brook Bernhardt as pool manager for the 2016 summer season. Brook will be given the authority to hire the lifeguards. Ayes: John Gregerson, Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

There was no old or new business to discuss.

Cozetta Johnson made the motion seconded by Ronnie Wheeler to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 pm. Ayes: Ernest Allen, Leslie Swinerton, John Gregerson, Ronnie Wheeler, and Cozetta Johnson. Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Passed and approved this ____ day of _____, 2016 by _____
Mayor, Bobby Allen