

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, July 12, 2017.

Mayor, Bobby Allen, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Those answering roll call were Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Ronnie Wheeler was unable to attend this meeting. Also present were City Attorney Raymond Vincent, Police Chief Waylan Upchego, Public Works Director Jeff Choate, Emergency Management Director Jim Shelton, and City Accountant Linda Woodruff, Fire man Kenzy Mooney, Economic Development president Eric Cowan, Claudie Clyburn, Linda Stuard, Lorinda Wright, Elisha Bingham, Loice Nofsinger, and John Gregerson.

Bobby Allen led to group in the flag salute.

There were no public comments

Linda Stuard, Planning and zoning board member, was here to present the board's recommendation to rezone property owned by Claudie Clyburn. Claudie Clyburn has requested permission to construct an RV park to be located at NE 4th and N. Canadian Avenue. He will be responsible for the utilities and the upkeep of the property. He plans to set up spaces for at least 2 travel trailers and may expand as time and space allows. The property needs to be re-zoned as R-3 to allow for mobile homes and travel trailers. Craig Wright made the motion seconded by John Burns to re-zone lots 8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15 in block 8 of the Enke Addition from C-1 to R-3. Ayes: Trey Carter, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, and Craig Wright. Nays: None.

Eric Cowan, Geary Economic Development Authority (GEDA) president, was here to ask for suggestions from the council on ways to promote or sell business property. Eric is telling the board that businesses do not want to come to Geary because the economy in Geary is not good enough to support a business. Also, some of the GEDA board members are not coming to the meetings, so the council may need to appoint some new members. The council took no action on this agenda item.

Linda Woodruff presented the monthly accounting report. This is the end of the fiscal year and all accounts are looking good. Some of the departments were over budget and some were under budget, making the overall budgets even out. There were several old checks that have not been reconciled with the bank statements. Some of these are 2 years old. They have now been voided out of the system. CBEW has scheduled the annual audit for October 17, 2017. Linda has another town that she needs to go to on our next council date so her husband Dan Boren will give the July report. Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to accept the June report as given by Linda Woodruff. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Trey Carter, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Waylan Upchego presented the monthly police report to the council. The police department has received some donations to be used to upgrade their offices. Belinda McDonald is responsible for getting these donations to upgrade the phone system to hand free talking and for purchasing new computers and printers. Now the officers and dispatchers do not have to share a computer while trying to get out the reports.

The officer that had the medical issues is back at work now. The animal control officer has submitted an animal cruelty case to the DA, and it was accepted for prosecution.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by John Burns to accept the monthly report. Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, Craig Wright, John Burns, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to approve the contract with Calumet for animal control services. Our officer will spend 2 days a week in Calumet with any dogs picked up to be kept a maximum of 3 days. The contract is an ongoing contract with either party to give a 30 day notice before termination.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to accept the contract. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Trey Carter, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to go into executive session at 7:15 pm, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307-B-1, for the purpose of hire, fire, promote, demote, discipline or resignation of a city employee. Possible hire of Colton Stonebraker. Ayes: John Burns, Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Craig Wright made the motion seconded by John Burns to reconvene the regular session at 7:42 pm. Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, John Burns, and Craig Wright. Nays: None.

Craig Wright made the motion seconded by John Burns to put off hiring another police officer at this time. Ayes: Trey Carter, John Burns, and Craig Wright. Nays: Tabbitha Kiener.

Jeff Choate presented the June fire report to council. There were a total of 14 for both fire stations. The firemen are looking into the process for having a fireworks show next year. The persons responsible for the fireworks must take a class to get certified and there needs to be a secure place to store the fireworks. The Certification is good for 3 years. Trey Carter made the motion seconded by John Burns to approve the June fire report. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Jim Shelton has taken a job as the assistant Emergency Management Director for Blaine County and can't hold two positions in Emergency Management. Therefore, Jim is resigning as the Geary Emergency Management Director. Kenzy Mooney is currently the Geary Assistant Fire Chief and has some emergency management training. He is willing to take over the director's position. Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to appoint Kenzy Mooney as the Geary Emergency Management Director. Ayes: John Burns, Trey Carter, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

There was no action to be taken on the monthly bank balance or the monthly direct deposits.

Craig Wright made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to approve the consent agenda as follows: Approve to encumber \$49,883.03 for the July payrolls including the firemen. Approve the release of the General Fund checks in the amount of \$27,938.29 for the June bills. And approve the release of the Construction Fund checks in the amount of \$4,142.16.

Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, Trey Carter, and Craig Wright. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve the June 1st, June 8th, and June 15th minutes. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

There was no old or new business to discuss.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

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Passed and approved this _____ day of _____, 2017 by _____
Mayor, Bobby Allen