

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, November 7 2018.

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. Also present were City Attorney Raymond Vincent, Public Works Director Jeff Choate, Police Chief Cecil Harrall, officer C.D. Ferguson, employee Lee Posey, MESO representative Tony Dourghety, Wesley Squyres from the Department of Environmental Quality, Lorinda Wright, City accountant Linda Woodruff, Jim Shelton, and Geary Star Editor Connie Burcham.

Bobby Allen led to group in the flag salute.

There was no public comment on the agenda items.

A public hearing was held at 5:30 pm to discuss the zoning of property located on highway 281 south of town. The Planning and Zoning board held a meeting with Terral Garrison and Lee Wright on October 9th to discuss zoning this property to Heavy Industrial (I2). The planning and zoning board voted to approve the request to zone the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 32 T13N R10W of the Indian Meridian in Canadian County, and to recommend that the Geary City Council approve the zoning request.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning board to change the zoning of **NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 32, T13N R10W from Residential/Agriculture (R-A) to Heavy Industrial (I-2)**. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

It has come to our attention that the NE ¼ of Section 3 T12N R10W of the Indian Meridian in Canadian County may not have been zoned for commercial use. Businesses were already in place at the time of the annexation and more businesses have gone in since then. The subject had been discussed in 2013 by the Planning and Zoning board, but minutes of the meeting have not been found.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to approve changing the zoning for the **NE ¼ of Section 3 T12N R10W of the Indian Meridian in Canadian County to Highway Commercial (C-2)**. This will cover the current business of Peak Oilfield and the Geary Fire Department #2. Also, any other businesses will be allowed to go into this area. Ayes: Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Linda Woodruff presented the monthly accounting reports. The Sales tax revenue continues to be up compared to last year. Another thing that is up is the Meter Fund account. There is an excess of \$47,000.00 that could be transferred to the Utility Fund. Part of this is a \$23,500.00 CD that is deemed restricted and could be unrestricted for use in the utility department. Also, we did not receive a bill from United Energy Trading last month for the natural gas usage. We will check on that to see if it came in late. Also, Woodruff accounting will be changing their name in the New Year. Linda's husband, Dan, has been doing more in the accounting firm and they have decided to change the firm name to reflect that. The new firm will be Bourne and Associates.

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

Wesley Squyres, with DEQ, was here to answer questions and explain more about the Beautification program sponsored by DEQ. This program is for municipalities to have a way to dispose of dilapidated houses within the city limits. It is an agreement with a rural landowner and the city to set up a "dump" site on private property. The property will be approved by DEQ and the municipality will manage and oversee the dumping process. Home owners will submit an application to the city for the removal of their dilapidated building. An asbestos review will be done by a person with an asbestos certificate. If no asbestos is detected the house will qualify to be removed and disposed of in the designated land site. This site will require to be covered from time to time with an adequate amount of dirt. DEQ will randomly check this site to make sure that it is being covered properly. No action to approve utilizing this program at this time.

This meeting was recessed at 6:24 pm and reconvened at 7:16 pm.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to reconvene the general meeting at 7:16 pm. Ayes: Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

The city has asked OneOk to increase their lease from \$400.00 per month to \$1,000.00 per month for a building located at 125 N. Broadway. In an email dated September 19, 2018, OneOk expressed an interest in increasing the rent to \$800.00 if the city would take care of some issues they are concerned about. They would like for the city to conduct a Black Mold test: Remediate any Mold found: and fix the ceiling in one of the office spaces. The city has contacted Service Masters out of Clinton, Oklahoma, for a remediation of Black Mold. Mr. Steve Stamper, of that service, was here on Tuesday, November 6th to examine the 125 N. Broadway building. His statement was that he did not detect any signs of mold within the building. Craig Wright made the motion seconded by John Burns to authorize city attorney Raymond Vincent will contact OneOk and negotiate a new lease for \$800.00 per month. Ayes: Trey Carter, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, and Craig Wright. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by John Burns to set the employee Christmas Dinner for December 14th at 6:30 pm. We will contact the Christian Church to rent the Brown Center for that date and time for the dinner. Catering will be scheduled when we get a good head count for employees who will attend the dinner. Catering companies discussed were Swadley's and Texas Road House. Others may be considered. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to approve the employee Christmas Bonus Schedule for 2019. Ayes: John Burns, Trey Carter, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve the 2019 calendar for scheduled City of Geary council meetings. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Police Chief, Cecil Harrall, presented the monthly police report. Larceny charges are down this month. The department received the needed reports from the District Attorney, to finalize a drug seizure case. Money and a car were seized. The car can now be sold by sealed bid and the money added to the other money that was seized. This will then be turned over the District Attorney for final processing. The D.A. will retain a percentage and the balance will be turned back to the City of Geary.

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

A 2005 Honda Tiburon was seized in drug related traffic stop in 2017. The District Attorney has finished the paper work for that case and the city can now sell this car by sealed bids. The money for the car will be added to the actual cash that was seized and turned over to the D.A. At that time the D.A. will retain 15% of the cash total and the balance will be returned to the Geary Police Department.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to advertise in the local paper, for 2 weeks, to accept sealed bids for a 2005 Honda Tiburon. The bids will be opened by the police chief and the mayor in two (2) weeks. Ayes: Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

John Burns made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to accept the full cash settlement from the insurance company for the 2007 Dodge Dakota. This pickup was wrecked during inclement weather and the insurance company declared it to be totaled with a payout of \$6,075.00 less the \$500.00 deductible. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, and John Burns. Nays: None.

No action on the animal control situation.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to go into executive session at 7:32 pm, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307 B-1, for the purpose of discussing hire, fire, promote, demote, discipline, or resignation of a police officer and hire Aimee Brown as a part time library helper. Ayes: John Burns, Trey Carter, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to reconvene the regular session at 7:48 pm. Ayes: Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to hire Aimee Brown as a part time library helper. Ayes: John Burns, Craig Wright, Trey Carter, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

Craig Wright made the motion seconded by Trey Carter to promote Jason Porter to a paid Reserve Police Officer at \$14.00 per hour. Ayes: John Burns, Tabbitha Kiener, Trey Carter, and Craig Wright. Nays: None.

Fire Chief, Jeff Choate, gave the October fire report. The firemen responded to a couple of grass fires and assisted in medical removal and transport for some accidents. The firemen are also training in patient loading for airlift cases. Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve the October report. Ayes: John Burns, Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

There was no action needed on the monthly bank balances or the monthly direct deposits.


Trey Carter made the motion seconded by Tabbitha Kiener to approve the consent agenda as follows: Approve to encumber \$49,883.03 for the November payrolls, including the firemen. Approve to release General Checks in the amount of \$33,250.70 for the October bills. And approve the release of the Construction Fund checks in the amount of \$2,286.43. Ayes: Craig Wright, John Burns, Tabbitha Kiener, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

Tabbitha Kiener made the motion seconded by Craig Wright to approve the October 11th minutes. Ayes: Trey Carter, John Burns, Craig Wright, and Tabbitha Kiener. Nays: None.

There was no old or new business to discuss.

Trey Carter made the motion seconded by John Burns to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm. Ayes: Craig Wright, Tabbitha Kiener, John Burns, and Trey Carter. Nays: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Passed and approved this 14 day of DECEMBER, 2018 by 
Mayor Bobby Allen