

City Council Minutes
September 27, 2021

The meeting was called to order in the Council meeting room at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Hegwood. Present were Lance DeLissa, Mitch Brenner, Roberto Holguin, and George Lucas. Brian Kroth was absent. Also, present were City Administrator Dean Cordes and City Clerk Janet Gleason. Visitors were Tom Kuhns, Michael Gillen, Bobbie Allison, and Anthony Schmidt.

There was no public comment.

Minutes of the September 13 meeting were approved as written.

Motion by DeLissa, second by Lucas to approve Building Permit #21021. Motion carried with all in favor.

Cordes reported on the progress of the stoplight repairs. The current conduit will not hold any more wires. Any changes should be done now. Council discussed the addition of buttons, but consensus was that the buttons were not going to make enough difference to be worth the money. The timing on the lights can change if there is a need. There was only one bid to replace the concrete. Consensus of council was for Cordes to wait two more days for any additional bids. If more bids are received Cordes is authorized to make the decision.

Cordes contacted Paddock Pools. They would assess the condition of the pool for \$6,500.00 and they will test the skimmer lines for an additional \$1000.00. He also contacted Carrothers Construction (they built the pool at Montezuma). Carrothers will give a visual assessment at no cost. Council felt it might be beneficial for both companies to look at it.

Siemens contacted Cordes that the core on stater of the 1280 engine needs replaced at a cost of \$40,000.00 Motion by DeLissa, second by Brenner to have Siemens replace the core at a cost of \$40,000.00. Motion carried with all in favor.

Cordes has given the law enforcement consolidation agreement to Sheriff Ritter, and it was sent to the County for attorney review.

Tim Milford, councilmember for the City of Fowler, contacted Cordes with a request for assistance in the event of any water emergencies in Fowler. Their supervisor has resigned, and they have not hired anyone yet. Council agreed to help when possible until someone is hired using the existing fee schedule.

Nine utility extensions were granted.

Council signed Five-year service awards for Kevin Larrabee, Randi Vanderpool and Eric Welker and a Twenty-five-year award for Russell Ohnick.

Gleason presented interest quotes for a renewing \$400,000.00 CD. Fowler State Bank: 6 month @ 0.25%, 12 month @ 0.30%. Meade State Bank 6 month @ 0.45%, 12 month @ 0.55%. Plains State Bank 6 month @ 0.10%, 12 month @ 0.13%. Motion by DeLissa, second by Brenner to renew the \$400,000.00 CD with Meade State Bank for 12 months at .55%. Motion carried with all in favor.

Gleason discussed with council the service deposit policy and account and asked if they would consider changing the policy to a non-refundable connect fee rather than a refundable deposit. Gleason will consult with Attorney Kuhns and bring a proposal to the next meeting.

Gleason presented a request to allow two planes from different owners in a hangar. Attorney Kuhns will write an amendment to the contract and consensus of council to allow the mayor to sign it.

Gleason and Boese will be in meetings in Topeka on October 11 and unable to return in time for the Council meeting. Council discussed moving the meeting to Tuesday, October 12. Mayor Hegwood stated the council would meet on Tuesday, October 12.

Brenner asked about status of the tax sale. Attorney Kuhns hopes to have more information later this week.

Attorney Kuhns reviewed a draft for the Neighborhood Revitalization Program and a draft resolution for council review. He will give the notification of hearing to the Meade County News for publication. The hearing will be Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00p.m.

Motion by DeLissa, second by Brenner to enter into executive session for 10 minutes for data relating to financial affairs of second parties. Motion carried with all in favor. After executive session, no action taken.

Motion by Brenner, second by DeLissa to enter into executive session for 5 minutes for personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Motion carried with all in favor. After executive session, no action taken.

Motion by Holguin, second by Brenner to adjourn. Motion carried with all in favor.

ATTEST:

J.D. Hegwood, Mayor

Janet Gleason, Clerk