

City Council Minutes
January 10, 2022

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, Brian Kroth and George Lucas. Also, present were City Administrator Dean Cordes and City Clerk Janet Gleason. Attorney Clay Kuhns was not present. Visitors were Tom Kuhns, Doug Ritter, and Mike Gillen.

Doug Ritter presented the Law Enforcement report to the Council. Ritter feels the current report is not completely accurate and the Sheriff's Department is working with their software vendor to improve the accuracy of the report categories as well as officer education on reporting. Brenner asked Ritter for his policy on patrolling the city limits of Meade. Ritter said the policy is that the officer is to drive every street in the city per shift and not to make a routine of the route. The deputies are to balance time between the highway and the streets.

There was no public comment.

Minutes of the December 13, 2021, meeting were approved as written.

Motion by Kroth, second by Lucas to approve Building Permit #22001. Motion carried with all in favor. Cordes informed council that after the hearing the Board of Zoning Appeals approved Building Permit #21023.

Motion by Brenner, second by Kroth to approve the Appropriations Ordinance of \$272,510.80. Motion carried with all in favor.

Cordes reported to Council that a concrete specialist looked at the pool and recommended a product that can seal the areas where the stucco is coming loose from the concrete. He is waiting for more information on the product and then Cordes will prepare a bid sheet. Kroth felt if the leaking could be slowed it would allow time to begin the planning for something more permanent. He would like the city to begin considering the what's, where's and how's of a possible new pool in the future. DeLissa would like to involve other entities and members of the community in discussions of both design and funding possibilities.

Cordes would like to amend the water project to finish the 3 blocks on Park Street, final 2 blocks on North Highway 23 and add 5 blocks on North Springlake. Council would like to add this to the existing project and will consult Attorney Kuhns regarding this. Cordes prepare a materials list so supplies can be ordered.

Cordes presented a summary of the 2021 project list and reviewed the 2022 projects list with the Council. Council discussed the list of projects and prioritized replacing the power plant roof, purchasing a spare transformer, constructing a building for wire spool storage, purchasing a diesel fuel tank.

Gleason presented information on the KHRC Affordable Housing Grant in the absence of Jamie Boese. The committee will meet again next week and have more detailed information for the next meeting. The City is still waiting for the official letter from KHRC with the written guidelines for the administration of the grant funds.

DeLissa asked about the status of the generator and the Airport fuel hardware. Cordes said the generator should be back in February and the hardware for the airport fuel pump has come in and should be installed soon.

Motion by DeLissa, second by Kroth to enter into executive session for personnel matters on non-elected personnel for 10 minutes. The open meeting will resume in this same room. Motion carried with all in favor. After executive session, no action was taken.

Motion by DeLissa, second by Holguin to pay up to 40 hours extended sick leave per 2022 calendar year for a full-time employee placed in a documented mandatory quarantine due to Covid 19 by Meade County Health Department. Motion carried with all in favor.

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

ATTEST:

J.D. Hegwood, Mayor

Janet Gleason, Clerk