

City Council Minutes
June 12, 2023

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

Visitors were Tom Kuhns, Bobbie Allison, Jamie Boese, Brad Ackerman, Gary Knott, and Laurie Palmer.

Council approved Brad Ackerman's request to purchase fireworks for the city display on July 4. Motion by Kroth, second by Lucas to donate \$1,500.00 for the purchase of fireworks. Motion carried with all in favor.

Boese reported that the city should receive the grant agreement soon. Attorney Kuhns is preparing a contract for the contractor and Boese is updating the homeowner application. The housing committee met and suggested that any changes to the original plan the prospective owner will pay 50% of the costs up front and it will be non-refundable. The remaining 50% would be paid at closing. They would also like to add guttering to the homes. Council was agreeable to both changes. Construction bids were opened: WK Construction \$276,000.00 per home. Neil Isaac Construction \$366,750.00 for one home. Motion by DeLissa, seconded by Lucas to accept WK Construction bid of \$276,000.00 per home for construction of two homes for a total of \$552,000.00. Motion carried with all in favor, Kroth abstained.

Palmer reported to the council that there are residents in the city who have over the limit of 6 pets and that some are not well cared for. Hegwood asked if she had filed a formal complaint and she had not. He suggested she file a formal complaint. Gleason noted the forms are available in the City Office.

Minutes of the May 22, 2023 meeting were approved as written.

There were no building permits.

Motion by Brenner seconded by Kroth to approve the Appropriations Ordinance in the amount of \$268,946.86. Motion carried with all in favor.

Cordes opened bids for retouching and sealing the brick at the power plant. Gary Knott Construction \$26,410.00. MTR Masonry \$33,359.00. Motion by DeLissa, seconded by Kroth to accept the bid from Gary Knott Construction for \$26,410.00. Motion carried with all in favor.

Cordes presented a request from Roger Messenger for a discount on aviation fuel. Consensus of Council to deny the request.

Work on the water project has started on the 700 Block of East Grant. The location of the sewer line to the nursing home was not mapped correctly and as a result the water line had to be sleeved. This as well as the rain has delayed progress.

Cordes presented pricing for benches. Council would like Cordes to find out if there is any interest in business sponsorship.

Motion by DeLissa, seconded by Kroth, to approve the application to sell fireworks for Cracker Box (Garner Fireworks) with the requirement that the windows are cleaned within 30 days. Motion carried with all in favor.

Gleason shared an email from Eric Shannon, lead developer of the Thresher Wind Project, with the council. He would like to have the opportunity to answer any questions regarding the project and the FAA response to the concerns related to the Meade Municipal Airport. There will be a Teams meeting in the City Council room on Wednesday at 10:00 am for any Council member who would like to ask questions about the project.

Cordes is still waiting for a response from Chubb for the claim on the 1280 generator.

Motion by Brenner, seconded by Kroth to enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel matters relating to non-elected personnel for 10 minutes. After executive session, no action was taken.

Motion by Kroth, seconded by Lucas to adjourn. Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor

ATTEST:
