

City of Meade

The council meeting was called to order in the council meeting room at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Richard Knott. Council members present were Roger Musgrove, Bart Fischer, Brian Kroth and Lance DeLissa. Also present were City Administrator Dean Cordes, and City Clerk Janet Gleason. Visitors were Bobbie Allison, Gary Knott and Randy Riekenberg.

Randy Riekenberg, a representative of United Wireless/Telecommunications, updated the Council on the status of the USDA Reconnect Broadband project for the communities of Meade, Plains, Fowler, and rural residents of Meade County. After attending trainings, many staff meetings and much research it was determined that the number one factor for acceptance was eligibility and Meade County did not appear to be eligible for first round funding, largely in part to the multiple numbers of providers available and the non-verifiable speeds. Indicators are that the requirements may be loosened for the second round of funding and so United is now considering making an application the first quarter of next year. United will continue to work with the engineering group so that most of the work is finished and ready when it comes time to apply. The application cost is over \$150,000.00 and is non-refundable. United is committed to moving forward with the project.

May 13, 2019 minutes approved as written

There were no new building permits.

Cordes presented bids for items on the 2019 projects list. Brick repair on the municipal building requests for bids were sent to three contractors and the only bid received was from Gary Knott. The municipal building fund is sufficient to cover these repairs. Fischer made a motion, seconded by Musgrove to accept the bid from Gary Knott in the amount of \$27,735.00 to complete brick repair and window repair to the municipal building. Motion carried.

Bid requests for replacement of one overhead door, door opener and concrete work to smooth the entrance for the trucks into the garage at the Alley building were sent to 4 local contractors. Two responded: Steve Norsworthy \$4,600.00 and Gary Knott \$7,644.00. Kroth asked what the specs were for the garage door and Cordes responded it was for a ½ hp with battery backup that would allow doors to be opened with openers in a power outage and doors must open fully to a height of 10 feet. Kroth felt the lower bid seemed low considering the costs of a quality garage door and asked if there were specifics. The door on the Norsworthy bid was a Midland with a Liftmaster opener. The Knott bid was for Overhead Door of Dodge City to take care of the replacement/install of the garage door and Knott to do the concrete work. The Overhead Door portion of the bid was \$4400.00 and they would also do an adjustment on the existing door. The difference in the bids for the installation of the garage door was discussed and council felt that Overhead Door specializes in garage door installation and probably justifies the higher cost. Kroth motioned, seconded by Fischer, to accept the bid of \$7,644.00 from Gary Knott for work on the Alley building.

Cordes presented a demolition permit for 415 N Fowler. Fischer motioned with a second by Musgrove, to approve demolition permit # 2019-1. Motion carried.

With no further business to come before the council, Musgrove motioned to adjourn, seconded by Kroth to adjourn. Motion carried with all in favor.

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Richard Knott, Mayor

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Janet Gleason, City Clerk