

Meade City Council  
June 10, 2019

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 Lance DeLissa, Bart Fischer, J.D. Hegwood, Brian Kroth and Roger Musgrove. Also present were City Administrator Dean Cordes and Janet Gleason, City Clerk. Visitors were Bobbie Allison, Brad Ackerman and Tom Kuhns.

Brad Ackerman requested a donation for the fireworks display fund. Musgrove motioned, seconded by Fischer to donate \$1000.00 for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks display. Motion carried

The Appropriation Ordinance in the amount of \$328,819.95 was approved on motion made by Musgrove, seconded by Hegwood and carried with all in favor.

The May 28, 2019 minutes were approved as written.

Building permits #19013 and 19014 were approved on motion made by Fischer, seconded by Kroth with all in favor.

Cordes had a quote for the signals and crossing lights and another to install and upgrade the control box and conduit. Wiring now comes in bundles and will not feed through the current conduit. The combined amount of quotes for the total work, without the concrete work, totals \$70,000.00 which was much higher than anticipated. Cordes will continue to try to get more quotes.

Ron Hall from KDOT did contact Cordes and offered that if Highway 54 were changed to two lanes with a center turning lane KDOT might conduct another traffic study. That study might warrant upgrades to the stoplight. If the changes and the study warranted a stoplight, the state would determine the type of light and pay for it, but there is no way to know for sure that a study would be conducted or a light would be warranted. Council did not feel going from four to two lanes was a good option.

Cordes indicated the City Improvement fund has \$50,000.00 that could be used to help fund the improvements. Kroth suggested contacting EBH regarding any grant funding possibilities.

Cordes read a notice from Jerry Miller indicating that the AWOS (automated weather observation system) required by Life Watch needs an upgrade because it is difficult to find parts and the technology of the current model is obsolete. This would be a cost of approximately \$200,000.00. In addition, the contract with Jerry Miller to maintain the AWOS that is required by the FAA and costs the city an additional \$3,900.00/year. DeLissa commented that Meade is one of few city-funded airports in the State of Kansas. Council discussed the fact that Life Watch (as well as the airport) serves the residents of the entire county but the City budget is paying for all the costs.

Gleason presented the following quotes for a \$250,000.00 CD that will mature on 6/16: Meade State Bank 12 month @2.61%, 6 month @ 2.61 %; Fowler State Bank 12 month @ 1.50%, 6 month @ 1.25%; Plains State Bank 12 month@ 2.29%, 6 month @ 2.37%. Hegwood motioned, seconded by Kroth to renew the \$250,000.00 CD with Meade State Bank for 12 months at a rate of 2.61%. Motion carried.

Fireworks Licenses # 2019-1 and 2019-2 were approved on motion made by Fischer, seconded by Kroth, with all in favor. Council requested applicants are to be reminded that all signage is to be removed within 30 days after the last day of sales on July 4.

Mayor asked Cordes if the city was spraying for mosquitoes. Cordes said they are trying to spray the entire town and treating standing water with tablets about every third night. Allison asked if this was safe for animals and Cordes said it was. The MSDS sheet is available if anyone is interested in reviewing it.

Fischer notified the council that he is resigning his position on the City Council due to relocation to St. Louis effective August 1, 2019.

With no further business to come before the council, Musgrove made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Fischer with all in favor.

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Richard Knott, Mayor

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Janet Gleason, City Clerk