

MULVANE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 2021

7:30 p.m.

The Mulvane City Council convened at the City Building at 211 N. Second at 7:30 p.m. Presiding was Mayor Shelly Steadman, who called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

Council Members Present: Terry Richardson, Jenean Keck.

Remote Attendance: Brent Allen, Kevin Cardwell, Nancy Farber Mottola.

Others Present: Kent Hixson, Mike Robinson, Debra Parker, Gordon Fell, Joel Pile, Merle McKee, Angela Fox, Jeremy Nelson, Sonya Jackson.

Remote Attendance: J.T. Klaus, Chris Young.

Pledge of Allegiance: All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Steadman.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes Dated 12-21-2020:

MOTION by Mottola, second by Cardwell to approve the Regular meeting minutes dated 12-21-2020.

MOTION approved unanimously.

Correspondence: Mayor Steadman advised she was contacted by a representative from the Post Office requesting a meeting. She along with Terry Richardson and City Staff met with Post Office representatives regarding relocation sites and property to be considered for relocation. A postcard was received in the mail explaining the process.

Review and Closing of the Agenda: None

Appointments, Awards and Citations: None

1. City Staff Annual Appointments:

The City Code at Section 115.010 requires that five (5) City officers be appointed at the first meeting in January. One or more Deputy City Clerks may also be appointed.

MOTION by Keck, second by Richardson to appoint the following officers for an annual term commencing January 2021:

City Clerk

Debra M. Parker

Police Chief

Gordon Fell

City Attorney

J.T. Klaus

City Treasurer

Rachael Blackwell

Deputy City Clerk

Lachelle Tootle

Municipal Court Judge

Larry Linn

MOTION approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Pix Events Center – Discuss reopening:

At the November 2, 2020 council meeting, it was the consensus of the council to keep the Pix Center closed and revisit this item at the first meeting in January.

It was the consensus of the council to wait a few more months and revisit at the first meeting in March. This will allow time for vaccines to be administered and to see if the hospitalization rate has declined.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mulvane Chamber of Commerce – Request Annual Subsidy:

Board Chairman, Jeremy Nelson, reviewed the 2020 Activities Summary and Budget with the Council. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chamber had to modify some of the planned events and find ways to create new programs. The Chamber offered 143 PPE packets to businesses. Also, the City and Chamber partnered with the WSU Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory to offer businesses free COVID-19 testing.

Council had questions regarding the money saved from events that were cancelled and asked about any cash carried over for 2021. The Chamber sold street banners to businesses to help raise funds. There are currently 103 members with 7 being new for 2020. Council would like to see a continued effort to increase membership. The Chamber is requesting the City provide \$32,000 in 2021 to fund and support the director's position.

MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to approve the Mulvane Chamber of Commerce 2021 request for funds in the amount of \$32,000.00.

MOTION approved 4 – 1 with Mottola opposed.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None

ENGINEER

1. Project Review and Update:

City Engineer, Chris Young, reviewed the project update with the council which included: E. Mulvane Street Drainage (delay due to weather conditions), Sanitary Sewer Study Update, Homestead Phase 2 Development, Emerald Valley Estates (getting ready to start Phase 2), and Hidden Valley Addition.

Council asked about the Rock Road Water Line. This will be a bonded project.

City Clerk: None

City Administrator: Joel Pile gave an update to the council of city staff efforts to assist in the relocation of the Post Office. Pile is assisting them with potential locations and/or property owners for the relocation. Representatives for the Post Office will conduct a site visit sometime in February to begin the process for relocation and possible negotiations.

City Attorney: None

Consent Agenda Items 1-3:

MOTION by Richardson second by Keck to approve Consent Agenda items 1 - 3.

1. Payroll dated 12-24-2020 (\$217,552.22)
2. Tyler Tech. – Renew the annual Maintenance and Support agreement for 12-1-20 through 11-30-21 in the amount of \$30,911.39.
3. City Utility Bills (\$17,106.84)

MOTION approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS AND NEXT AGENDA ITEMS:

- Monday, January 18th - next council meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to adjourn the City Council meeting at 8:10 p.m.

MOTION approved unanimously.

Minutes by:
Debra M. Parker, City Clerk