

MULVANE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 15, 2013

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 James P. Ford, who called the meeting to order.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Richardson, Doug Hatfield, Jenean Keck and Joe Johnson. Shelly Steadman was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Kent Hixson, J.T. Klaus, Patty Gerwick, Mike Robinson, Ray Fleming, Chris Young, Galen Cummins, Brad and Judy Modlin, Justin Smith, Jim Carr, David Navarro with TranSystems, LaDonna and Sam Bangle, Julie McCullough, Cathy Walker, Cande Hixson, Christine & Chris Thoman, Brian Cunningham

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by Mayor Ford.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES DATED 4-1-13: MOTION by Hatfield, second by Richardson to approve the Regular minutes dated 4-1-13. MOTION approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None at this time.

REVIEW AND CLOSING OF THE AGENDA: Mayor Ford declared the agenda closed.

APPOINTMENTS, AWARDS AND CITATIONS: (1) City Clerk Patty Gerwick gave the Oath of Office to newly re-elected Council members Terry Richardson, Jenean Keck and Joe Johnson. (2) Mayor Ford presented 8 year service awards to Councilmember Keck and Councilmember Johnson. Mayor Ford then presented LaDonna Bangle with her 30 year service award. (3) MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to approve the re-appointment of Kent Hixson to a two year term on the KMEA Board of Directors. MOTION approved unanimously.

MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to recess at 7:40 p.m. for a period of 15 minutes for a reception to honor LaDonna Bangle for her 30 years of service to the City. MOTION approved unanimously.

MOTION by Richardson, second by Johnson to return to open session at 7:55 p.m. MOTION approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL – PROJECT UPDATE: David Navarro with TranSystems reviewed the areas of priority for the sidewalk project. The School District has yet to determine exactly what they want to do or when they want to proceed with the Wildcat Blvd. project. It was the consensus of the Council to remove the construction of new sidewalk along Wildcat Blvd. from the SRTS project and proceed with finalizing the other sidewalk plans and submit to KDOT for approval so construction can start in the fall.
2. CITY HALL – REVIEW BIDS FOR NEW ROOF: Hixson reported that two bids were received: (1) Snodgrass & Sons \$217,183.00 and (2) A-Lert Co. \$145,105.00. Both bids include the construction of the canopy over the drive-up window and painting the existing fascia on the building. No action was taken. A contract with A-Lert Co. will be presented at the May 6th Council meeting for approval.

3. STREET CLOCK – REPAIR OR REPLACE – DISCUSSION: On March 18, 2013 the Council approved to completely restore the clock on Main Street at a cost of \$12,995.00. Upon further review, staff noticed the clock base needed replacement. Staff contacted Verdin Co. and was informed there would be an additional cost of \$3,500.00 for the repair bringing the total cost to \$16,495.00. The Verdin Co. offers a maintenance agreement that would cost \$390.00 annually for the clock. After some discussion about repairing the existing clock, replacing it with a new clock or removing the clock, there was a MOTION by Richardson, second by Johnson to repair & refurbish the existing Main Street Clock at a cost not to exceed \$18,000 and to purchase the annual maintenance agreement at a cost of \$390.00 per year. MOTION approved 3 Yea (Richardson, Keck, Johnson) 1 Nay (Hatfield).

NEW BUSINESS

1. SMITH ADDITION – ACCEPT DEDICATIONS TO THE PLAT: Chris Young, City Engineer explained that a plat was received and approved by the Planning Commission on April 4, 2013. The property owner/developer plans to raze the existing building and construct a new and larger mortuary facility, including additional parking on this property. MOTION by Keck, second by Richardson to accept the dedications of the Smith Addition final plat. MOTION approved unanimously.
2. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT – REVIEW QUOTE TO PLANT GRASS: Galen Cummins, Utility Generation Director explained that construction is complete at the wastewater treatment plant and the final grading of the ground has been done. To prevent erosion of the soil, grass needs to be planted and staff recommends Bermuda grass is best suited for this area. Two bids were received as follows: (1) Moonlight Lawn & Landscape - \$5,000 and (2) Spring Creek Services - \$8,200. Staff feels the proposal from Spring Creek doing a combination of seeding, mulching and sprigging has the most probability of a successful outcome. MOTION by Johnson, second by Richardson to approve the proposal from Spring Creek Services in the amount of \$8,200 to plant grass at the wastewater facility until the City is satisfied with the final results. MOTION approved 3 Yea (Richardson, Keck, Johnson) 1 Nay (Hatfield).

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE – BOND AUTHORITY FOR CITY HALL RENOVATIONS: City Attorney J.T. Klaus explained that passage of this Ordinance will allow the City to spend available funds on the “Project” and be reimbursed with temporary note/bond proceeds at its option. It will also allow the City to include the financing into the Bonds for the Water Treatment Facility if it desires. MOTION by Keck, second by Richardson to adopt Ordinance No. 1413, determining it necessary and advisable to alter, repair, reconstruct, remodel, replace, furnish and equip improvements to City Hall and finance the costs thereof through general obligation bonds.

ORDINANCE NO. 1413

AN ORDINANCE OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF MULVANE, KANSAS (THE “CITY”), AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ISSUE CERTAIN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER SUCH DOCUMENTS AS ARE NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH DECLARATION.

MOTION approved unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. Carr drainage easement – update: Chris Young is in the process of obtaining an estimated cost from a licensed surveyor to define the area that was described and recorded as an easement. He will report back at the May 6th meeting.
2. Wastewater Treatment Plant Update: Chris Young noted that the only outstanding work to be completed on this project is associated with Change Order #2 that the Council approved in November 2012. This change order relates to making repairs to the force main pressure sustaining valves.
3. Water Tower Update: Chris Young stated that the design review plans are almost complete. The Mulvane Planning Commission approved the plat submitted for the 7.2 acres where the tower will be located. A Conditional Use Permit has been filed and will be presented to the Planning Commission at their May 9th meeting.

CITY CLERK

1. Statement of Substantial Interest for elected officials: Elected Officials need to review the information on this form annually to make sure it is current. Councilmembers Hatfield and Steadman and Mayor Ford need to review the information on file for accuracy.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Hixson wanted to announce that Care and Share will be accepting donations of items left from the City Wide Garage Sale.
2. Council member Hatfield asked to have someone from the Parks Dept. look at the condition of the tree in the N.E. corner of Main Street Park. It shows signs of rotting.
3. Council member Keck inquired about the status of the Tri-City Water Supply Feasibility Study. Hixson noted that there will be a meeting on 4-19-13 at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall

CITY ATTORNEY

Nothing at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to approve the Consent Agenda Items as follows:

1. Employee Payroll dated 4-12-13 (\$168,153.63)
 2. Warrant Register for March (\$1,271,136.17)
 3. Great Plains Communications – Telephone Equipment for new MES Substation (\$13,805.00)
- MOTION approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEXT AGENDA ITEMS:

4-15-13 - Library Planning Committee – City Hall – 8:00 a.m.
4-16-13 – School Board/City Council breakfast – **cancelled**
4-16-13 – Arbor Day Celebration – Collier Park – 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. MOTION approved unanimously.

Patty Gerwick
City Clerk