MULVANE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 5, 2015 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, Joe Johnson, Doug Hatfield, Jenean Keck and Shelly Steadman

OTHERS PRESENT: Kent Hixson, J.T. Klaus, Patty Gerwick, Mike Robinson, Officer Mike Friday, Fred Heersche, Dave Williams, Brad Modlin, Tom Bishop and Terri Bradshaw with Homestead Senior Housing

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION: All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by Mayor Ford.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES DATED 12-15-14 AND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF 12-22-14: MOTION by Johnson, second by Richardson to approve the Regular minutes dated 12-15-14. MOTION approved unanimously. MOTION by Johnson, second by Hatfield to approve the Special Meeting minutes dated 12-22-14. MOTION approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None at this time.

REVIEW AND CLOSING OF THE AGENDA: Hixson asked to add Software Support Agreement as Item #4 on the Consent Agenda and under the PBC section to approve the Minutes of the 11-17-14 meeting only. Mayor Ford then declared the agenda closed.

APPOINTMENTS, AWARDS AND CITATIONS: Mayor Ford presented the “Employee of the Month” certificate to Officer Mike Friday for the month of January.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. HOMESTEAD SENIOR HOUSING PHASE II – PRESENTATION BY TOM BISHOP: Tom Bishop is requesting the Council approve a resolution of support for housing tax credits to build an additional 32-36 units adjacent to the site of the original 40 units of the Senior Housing on Rock Road. This request also includes a request for 10 years of property tax abatement. City Attorney Klaus addressed the property tax abatement process and the long term impact as well as explaining the issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB’s) by the City. The Council expressed concerns about additional traffic flow in that area around the school property as well as limited access to the property. There were also concerns about the tax abatement. After much discussion, MOTION by Hatfield, second by Johnson, to approve a resolution in support of a housing tax credit application. Hatfield and Johnson voted in favor of the Motion. Steadman and Richardson opposed the Motion. Keck Abstained. MOTION failed. Mayor Ford, then said “No, looks like a no then”. Mr. Bishop thanked the Mayor and Council for their time and consideration.

Immediately following this order of business, Councilmember Hatfield interjected requesting clarification from the Mayor whether, since she (Keck) ultimately said “abstain” – “there is a tie”, was the Mayor breaking the tie by saying “No”?

At this point, there were multiple comments at the same time. The Mayor inquired from Keck whether he should interpret her abstention as a “yes” vote? Keck said “I don’t mean yes.”

Johnson said “you couldn’t say “no” so you had to abstain?

Richardson said “she has a conflict of interest”

Keck said “I have a conflict of interest that’s why I abstained, “but if I need to say No, I say No”*.*

1. POLICE DEPT. – REVIEW BIDS FOR NEW VEHICLE: Public Safety Director Dave Williams came before the Council to request permission to purchase a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe. He will be replacing the 1992 Dodge Van (Animal Control Vehicle) with marked Unit #156 (2010 Chevy Impala) to use for Animal Control and the new vehicle will go on-line as a marked unit. MOTION by Steadman, second by Richardson to accept the bid from Don Hattan Chevrolet for one 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe in the amount of $32,967.00. MOTION approved unanimously.

**RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

None at this time.

ENGINEER’S REPORT

1. Project Review and Update: Young was not present but provided a written report on the status of City Projects.

**PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION**

**JANUARY 5, 2015**

MOTION by Keck, second by Richardson to recess the City Council Meeting for the purpose of, and that we convene as the City of Mulvane, Kansas Public Building Commission. MOTION approved unanimously.

APPROVE MINUTES: MOTION by Johnson, second by Richardson to approve the Public Building Commission Meeting Minutes dated 11-17-14. MOTION approved unanimously.

MOTION by Johnson, second by Richardson to pay the following invoice related to the issuance of bonds and or design and construction of the new public library:

Clark Enerson Partners – Invoice #12 $25,200.00

MOTION approved unanimously.

MOTION by Keck, second by Richardson to adjourn the Public Building Commission meeting and to reconvene the regular City Council meeting of January 5, 2015. MOTION approved unanimously.

Patty Gerwick

PBC Secretary

CITY CLERK

Nothing at this time.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Nothing at this time.

CITY ATTORNEY

Nothing at this time.

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

1. Employee Payroll dated 12-19-14 ($199,389.16)
2. Employee Payroll dated 1-2-15 ($197,342.08)
3. Legal Fees – Triplett, Woolf & Garretson – ($14,767.15)
4. 2015 Software Support Agreement – Manatron, Inc. ($8,092.94)

MOTION approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS AND NEXT AGENDA ITEMS:

1-8-15 – Chamber of Commerce Board Mtg. – Fire Station – 11:30 a.m.

1-13-15 – Su. Co. Economic Development Comm. Planning Session – Wellington – 11:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Richardson, second by Keck to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. MOTION approved unanimously.

Patty Gerwick

City Clerk