

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JANUARY 10, 2012
7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL: Members present were Councilmembers Kirk Clawson, Irlan Fullbright, Gaila Nielsen, Branden Rapp, Rick Wilson and Mayor Frank Koelsch. Also present was Mary Jo Cunningham, representing the Ellinwood Leader.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilmember Branden Rapp to approve minutes for the December 13, 2011 regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

D. APPROPRIATIONS: A motion was made by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright to authorize payment of bills and claims processed, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

E. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

F. VISITORS: Mary Jo Cunningham, Debbie Glenn, Art Keffer and Chris Komarek

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. City Audit – Waiver of GAAP Reporting: The City is required to conduct an audit each year in accordance with state statute. State statute specifies that audits are to be conducted according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

State statute authorizes a municipality to pass a resolution to adopt the cash basis method of accounting and audit control. A motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen to adopt Resolution 11012 authorizing the cash basis audit for 2012, seconded by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

2. Central Kansas Development Inc. (CKDI) Proposal: Central Kansas Development Inc. was contacted regarding the property they own at 511 East Santa Fe. This lot is 150 ft x 140 ft and lies directly east of the city shop and could be used to house a storage building for city equipment. The asking price for the property is \$25,000. Staff reported the taxes would be prorated to the date of closing, the abstract fee would be split 50/50 with CKDI and no environmental study would be done on the property.

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A motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen to authorize Mayor Koelsch to execute the contract with Central Kansas Development Inc. for the purchase of the property noted above at a price of \$25,000 with the terms and conditions as stated by the city administrator. Councilmember Kirk Clawson seconded the motion. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

3. Ambulance Personnel: The City's current on call policy for ambulance personnel is \$15.00 per twelve hour shift, which was adopted in May, 2001. A motion was made by Councilmember Rick Wilson to increase the on call pay to \$25.00 per twelve hour shift, seconded by Councilmember Branden Rapp. Motion carried. Councilmembers Kirk Clawson, Gaila Nielsen, Branden Rapp and Rick Wilson voting aye. Councilmember Irlan Fullbright abstained from voting.
4. Employee Salaries: The budget for 2012 allowed for a 4% increase in employee's wages. A motion was made by Councilmember Clawson to approve a 2.5% raise per hour for all full-time employees, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
5. Ratification of Kansas Power Pool Contract: At the August, 2011 council meeting, council adopted a Resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with the Kansas Power Pool (KPP) which provided for a 20 year operating agreement with KPP and for a power purchase agreement. The power purchase agreement allowed KPP to purchase an interest in the Dogwood Generation facility located in Missouri. Details of the Dogwood contract have now been finalized and Mayor Koelsch has executed the contract. A motion was made by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright to acknowledge the ratification of Mayor Koelsch's signature on the Kansas Power Pool contract, seconded by Councilmember Branden Rapp. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
6. Christmas Decorations: Robert Peter, city administrator explained the City's oldest Christmas decorations are located on north Main Street from 3rd to 7th Streets and are more than 20 years old. Presented to council were flyers which showcased decorations currently on sale. The general consensus of the council was to go ahead and order decorations to replace the decorations from 3rd to 7th Streets.
7. Purchase of Police Vehicle: Presented to council was a proposal from the Kansas Highway Patrol in the amount of \$14,150, for a 2009 Ford Crown Victoria for the police department. The vehicle mileage is under 50,000 miles, and the purchase price includes the light bar. This vehicle would replace the 1995 Ford Crown Victoria.

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A motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen to approve the purchase of the 2009 Ford Crown Victoria from the Kansas Highway Patrol in the amount of \$14,150, seconded by Councilmember Irlan Fullbriht. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

REPORTS:

1. Municipal Court Report: Presented to Council was the Municipal Court Report for December, 2011.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
 - a) Staff reported the ambulance will be taken to Hutchinson to get repaired because the city cannot get it done locally on a timely basis.
 - b) Staff reported several water leaks occurred over the holidays. A leak on the south side of the highway across from John Henrys will require the City to bore under the highway to fix the leak.
 - c) The deadline for filing for City Council is noon on January 24th. Three council positions are available.
 - d) Staff reported he will be gone January 19th for Capitol Day in Topeka, and January 20th for a Kansas Power Pool meeting.
 - e) Staff reviewed with council the end of the year financial condition of the City.
 - f) Staff also reported several donations were received from the community during the year to assist with utility bills.

- I. **ADJOURNMENT**: There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

Frank Koelsch, Mayor

Kim Schartz, City Clerk