

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SEPTEMBER 11, 2012
7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL: Members present were Councilmembers Kirk Clawson, Irlan Fullbright, Kathy Hines, Gaila Nielsen, Rick Wilson and Mayor Frank Koelsch. Also present was Mary Jo Cunningham and Karen LaPierre, representing the Ellinwood Leader and the Great Bend Tribune.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to approve minutes for the August 14, 2012 regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

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

E. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

F. VISITORS: Mary Jo Cunningham, Kevin Clair, C.W. Bitter, Karen LaPierre, Chris Komarek, Nancy Baird, Becky Draney, Jacque Isern and Becca Maxwell.

C.W. Bitter addressed council regarding the midnight curfew at Wolf Pond. He requested council to review the curfew and consider extending it.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Appointment of Delegates to the League of Kansas Municipalities: The annual conference for the League of Kansas Municipalities is scheduled for October 6th – 8th, 2012. It is necessary that a voting delegate and alternate be designated by the council. A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to designate Robert L. Peter, City Administrator as voting delegate and Kim Schartz, City Clerk as alternate voting delegate, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
2. June Jaunt: Nancy Baird, Jacque Isern, Becca Maxwell and Becky Draney representing the Ellinwood Chamber of Commerce and the June Jaunt committee were present to discuss the 2012 June Jaunt and the plans for 2013. The 2012 June Jaunt was very successful and well attended, and plans are being made for the 2013 June Jaunt. The Ellinwood Chamber of Commerce is requesting a financial commitment from the City of Ellinwood for the 2013 event.

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A motion was made by Councilmember Kathy Hines to appropriate \$2,500 for the 2013 June Jaunt, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

3. Street Sign Bids: Presented to council were bids for replacement of all street signs in the City. New regulations regarding the size and color of signs have been issued by the Department of Transportation. The bids are as follows:

Michael Todd & Company	\$7,591.00
National Sign Company	\$7,688.60
Newman Traffic Signs	\$8,686.57

A motion was made by Councilmember Kathy Hines to approve the bid from Michael Todd & Company for replacement of all street signs, in the amount of \$7,591, with the street signs being blue with white lettering. Motion seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

4. Health Insurance: The City's health insurance policy is up for renewal on November 1st. Renewal rates for the HDHP and the traditional plan stayed consistent with last year's premium, except for a small, less than ½ percent increase for the employee/child and family coverages. Presented to Council were the following quotes:

High Deductible Health Plan \$3,000/\$6,000 deductible with Health Savings Account Option

Premiums:

Employee Only Coverage	\$488.87
Employee/Child Coverage	\$994.42
Employee/Spouse Coverage	\$1050.15
Family Coverage	\$1555.70

Triple Option Plan including \$1,000/\$1,500/\$2,500 deductibles

	\$1000 Ded Premium	\$1500 Ded Premium	\$2500 Ded Premium
Employee Only	\$593.53	\$574.74	\$544.84
Employee/Child	\$1202.04	\$1163.78	\$1102.89
Employee/Spouse	\$1275.18	\$1234.79	\$1170.50
Family	\$1883.68	\$1823.82	\$1728.55

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The city currently pays \$100% of the employee only coverage and 85% of the other coverages for the H.S.A. plan, and also contributes \$150 per month for each employee enrolled in the HDHP and eligible for a H.S.A. account. The city's contribution toward the health insurance premium and the contribution to the H.S.A. account for the new plan year will be addressed at the October 9th meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen to approve the health insurance plan with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, including the HDHP and the traditional triple option plan as noted above, seconded by Councilmember Kathy Hines. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

5. Donation of Defibrillator: Debbie Glenn, EMS director, is requesting council to consider donating a Zoll M Series defibrillator to the Burdett EMS department. The city has recently taken this machine out of service. The Burdett EMS service is staffed by 8 unpaid volunteers and they have a call volume of 35-40 calls per year.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kathy Hines to approve the donation of the defibrillator to the Burdett EMS service, seconded by Councilmember Irlan Fullbright. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

REPORTS:

1. Municipal Court Report: Presented to Council was the Municipal Court Report for August, 2012.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
 - a) Staff reported the estimated cost for the ADA compliant lift at the swimming pool will be approximately \$4000 to \$5000.
 - b) Staff reported Tom Starns is done mowing for this season. Jon Perron will start paramedic training, and be attending a hot line school for the electric department. Staff also reported Nathan Miller passed his class 2 water certification.
 - c) Staff reported Chief Keffer will be sending out vehicle and weed letters. The street department will be over seeding park areas. City crews will be working on a sewer line project on East B street. Staff also reported tree trimming will begin around October 8th.

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- d) Staff reported the #1 water well pump needs replaced with an approximate cost of \$1600.
- e) Staff reported the Rotary Club is working on a grant for playground equipment for small children, with a possibility of matching funds from the city.

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 Irlan Fullbright. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

Frank Koelsch, Mayor

Kim Scharz, City Clerk