

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JUNE 9, 2020
7:00 P.M.

- A. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Irlan Fullbright called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was moved from City council chambers to the Ellinwood Community Library to comply with social distancing guidelines, with the governing body, city administrator, city clerk and city attorney present. The meeting was held via Zoom.com & telephone conference to enable the media and citizens to view the meeting.
- B. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Councilmembers Kirk Clawson, Jacque Isern, Ken Lebbin, Steve Oelke, Jon Prescott and Mayor Irlan Fullbright. City attorney Jane Isern was present.
- C. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Presented to council was an amended agenda adding three items: Kansas Power Pool Update, AHF Beer Garden Discussion and Computer Equipment Grant. A motion was made by Councilmember Ken Lebbin to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember Jon Prescott. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
- D. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to approve minutes for the May 12, 2020 regular council meeting and May 27, 2020 special council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Steve Oelke. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
- E. **APPROPRIATIONS:** A motion was made by Councilmember Steve Oelke to authorize payment of bills and claims processed, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
- F. **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**
- G. **NEW BUSINESS:**
1. Kansas Power Pool Update: Mark Chesney, CEO/General Manager with the Kansas Power Pool was present at the meeting to provide council with an update of KPP activities. Mr. Chesney also reminded council of the annual retreat to be held September 18th and 19th in Wichita and encouraged the governing body to attend.
 2. After Harvest Festival Update: Jordan Waite, Ellinwood Chamber of Commerce executive director was present at the meeting. Chris Komarek and Ms. Waite addressed council with an update to the planned activities for the 2020 After Harvest Festival. It will be a very scaled back AHF, with no current plans for a carnival, family fun fair, parade or dance.

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Jordan Waite explained possible activities to be held at this point include a cruise night and junior corn hole tournament on Thursday night, fishing derby, horseshoe tournament, kid's tractor pull and golf tournament on Saturday. The chamber will also be promoting area businesses throughout the weekend.

3. AHF Beer Garden: Staff explained the Ellinwood Chamber of Commerce, as noted above has cancelled most of the usual AHF activities. The decision regarding the beer garden was turned over to the Kansas Sidewinders who have operated it in the past.

Ty Hazen and Josh Ellis representing the Kansas Sidewinders were present at the meeting to discuss with council the possibility of having a beer garden and the best location to do so. They would like to possibly extend their current CMB license to include the street in front of their business or Wolf Park. Mr. Hazen also expressed the interest of having a band or music on the street. He explained the Kansas Sidewinders would provide any needed port a pots. Council expressed concern with mass gatherings and lack of social distancing during the COVID 19 outbreak. It was also noted that the Ellinwood Chamber of Commerce had already cancelled large AHF events due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the council had previously approved to close the swimming pool for the 2020 season. After much discussion, the issue was tabled awaiting further information.

4. Playground and Public Restrooms: Staff explained that due to COVID-19, the playground equipment and public restrooms have been closed to public access. The scheduled re-open date was June 15th in accordance with ending of Phase 3 of the governor order, which was later moved up to June 8th.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to approve the opening of the playground equipment and public restrooms immediately seconded by Councilmember Steve Oelke. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

5. Splash Pad: At the May 12, 2020 meeting, council approved the closure of the pool and splash pad for the 2020 season. Mayor Irlan Fullbright has requested council discuss the closure and the possibility of opening the splash pad for a period this summer.

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Staff explained the county is scheduled to clean out the ditch along Park Street the first part of July and since the splash pad drains into the ditch, the opening of the splash pad prior to the job being completed would leave the ditch too wet to complete the job. This issue was tabled until the July 14th council meeting.

6. Flower Planters in Main Street Business District: Staff explained Sunflower Bank replaced the sidewalk in front of their building and the large flower planter was removed during this process. Sunflower Bank has agreed to replace the planter but prefers to move it to a different location. Staff is requesting council input on this issue.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Jon Prescott to request Sunflower Bank provide two round mobile flower pots, 3 foot in diameter to be placed in front of Sunflower Bank where the original flower planter was, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

7. Annie Mae's Cereal Malt Beverage Application: Presented to council was a cereal malt beverage application for Annie Mae's.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ken Lebbin to approve the cereal malt beverage application and issue a license until December 31, 2020 for Annie Mae's, seconded by Councilmember Jon Prescott. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

8. Storm Sewer Manhole Quote: Presented to council was a quote from McPherson Concrete Products in the amount of \$13,237.63 for the manholes on the Pohlman storm sewer project, with an expected delivery date in the next two weeks.

A motion was made by Councilmember Jacque Isern to approve the quote from McPherson Concrete Products in the amount of \$13,237.63, seconded by Councilmember Ken Lebbin. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

9. South Main Street Change Order: Presented to council was a change order from Suchy Construction in the amount of \$4948.56 for additional work on the South Main Street project to include adding a driveway approach on the property leased by Hi-La Engine and additional sidewalk construction between the railroad tracks.

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A motion was made by Councilmember Jon Prescott, to approve change order #1 on the South Main project in the amount of \$4,948.56, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

10. Computer Equipment Grant: City staff with assistance from the Kansas Power Pool staff is preparing a grant application for cyber security computer system upgrades through the USDA Rural Development Program. The grant is for 35% of the total cost of the project. Presented to council was the grant application document which must be approved prior to submission to the USDA.

A motion was made by Councilmember Jon Prescott to approve the grant application as presented for a total project cost of \$11,300, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

H. REPORTS:

1. Municipal Court Report: Presented to Council was the Municipal Court Report for May 2020.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
 - a) Staff reported that Marilyn Sauber has requested input and possible names for up to 3 people to serve on the Commission on Aging board.
 - b) Staff explained the need for putting up shields at City Hall for staff safety and will begin researching options as funds allow.
 - c) Staff reported city crews have been spraying for mosquitos, working on brick streets to replace bricks that are broke and working on moving water lines on Second Street.
 - d) Staff reported the city wide clean up ended last weekend, with a lot of use by the public.
 - e) Staff reported a Planning Commission meeting will be scheduled in the next month.

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

Irlan Fullbright, Mayor

Kim Schartz, City Clerk