

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**JANUARY 12, 2021**  
**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.
- 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. **RECITATION OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Councilmember Steve Oelke to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
- E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Councilmember Ken Lebbin to approve minutes for the December 8, 2020 regular council meeting and the December 22, 2020 special council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Jon Prescott. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
- F. **APPROPRIATIONS:** A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to authorize payment of bills and claims processed, seconded by Councilmember Jacque Isern. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
- G. **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**
- H. **VISITORS:** Brittney Bailey, Jon Perron and Mark Chesney
- I. **NEW BUSINESS:**
1. Kansas Power Pool Report: Mark Chesney, CEO/General Manager with the Kansas Power Pool (KPP) was present to provide city council with an update of KPP activities.
  2. 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).

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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 Jon Prescott to adopt Resolution 011221, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

3. EMS Salaries: After some discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Jon Prescott to approve a \$.50 per hour raise for all part-time EMS personnel, seconded by Councilmember Steve Oelke. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
4. Senior Center Request: Staff explained that H & B Communications had been contacted about providing a computer upgrade to the Ellinwood Heritage Senior Center. At the December 8, 2020 council meeting, council approved up to \$1000 to H & B Communications for Ellinwood Heritage Senior Center computer upgrades. Since that meeting the Senior Center staff has contacted city staff and would like to consider other vendor options.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to rescind the previous motion and approve a \$1000 direct payment to the Ellinwood Heritage Senior Center toward the cost of a computer upgrade, seconded by Councilmember Ken Lebbin. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

5. Executive Session for Discussion of Property Acquisition Related to Flood Control: An executive session is requested for discussion of the acquisition of real property relating to the flood control project. A motion was made by Councilmember Ken Lebbin to recess into executive session pursuant to KSA 75-4319(b)(6) for the purpose of discussion of the acquisition of real property related to the flood control project. Executive session will be for ten (10) minutes beginning at 8:00 p.m. until 8:10 p.m. and council will reconvene in the library at that time. Persons to remain in executive session are the governing body, city administrator and city attorney, seconded by Councilmember Jon Prescott. Motion carried. All voting in favor. The governing body recessed into executive session at 8:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:10 pm. No action taken.

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**J. REPORTS:** (These reports were given prior to executive session)

1. Municipal Court Report: There was no Municipal Court Report for December, 2020.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
  - a) Staff reported he attended a kick-off meeting that discussed possible changes to the flood plain map and a very early assessment is that the entire city could be in the flood plain.
  - b) Staff reported the police department renovation is getting close to being completed.
  - c) Staff reported he attended a housing study virtual meeting yesterday.
  - d) Staff explained that city staff has been working on the Automated Meter Infrastructure (AMI) and hopes to have agreements with Kansas Power Pool at the next meeting for council's consideration.
  - e) Staff reported the fire station pad has been poured and the building is to be delivered around the first of February. Staff also reported the new water truck is ready to be placed in service and city crews are working on the new fire truck and the goal is to have the truck in service by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - f) Staff reported power plant crews have been doing generating training with Jim the last couple of weeks.
  - g) Staff reported police chief Bailey attended the Law Enforcement Leadership Academy. He also reported that Craig Merritt has resigned effective January 31st and police department interviews will be conducted next week.
  - h) Staff reported Nick Roth has been hired as a lineman for the electric department.
  - i) Staff reported Irlan Fullbright has retired from the EMS service effective December 31.

**K. 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 Steve Oelke. Motion carried. All present voting in favor.

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Irlan Fullbright, Mayor

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Kim Schartz, City Clerk