

# Proceedings of the City Council Meeting Williamsburg, Kansas August 5, 2013 7:30 p.m.

The City of Williamsburg Kansas met in regular session on August 5, 2013.

Those present:

Mayor Jon Horne, Council Member Norton, Council Member Messick, Council Member Stover, Council Member Worden and Council Member Tipton who arrived late.

Guests present: Fran Bennett and Lou Coppoc

#### 1.0 Opening

- 1.1 Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm with a moment of silence for our service men and women.
- 1.2 **Amend Agenda:** Mayor Horne added 5.6 Budget Work Session 5.7 Budget Hearing August 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, 5.8 Chickens. Motion made by Council Member Norton to approve the agenda amendments. Seconded by Council Member Worden. Motion passed 4-0.
- 1.3 **Approve Previous Minutes:** Council Member Norton made a motion to approve the July meeting minutes. Seconded by Council Member Worden. Motion passed 4-0.
- 1.4 **Approve Special Meeting Work Session Minutes (July 8, 2013):** Council Member Worden made a motion to approve the July 8, 2013 special meeting minutes. Seconded by Council Member Norton. Motion passes 4-0.
- 1.5 **Approve Special Meeting Minutes (July 16, 2013) : ):** Council Member Worden made a motion to approve the July 16, 2013 special meeting minutes. Seconded by Council Member Messick. Motion passes 4-0.
- 1.6 **Approve Special Meeting Minutes (July 29, 2013) : ):** Council Member Messick made a motion to approve the July 29, 2013 special meeting minutes. Seconded by Council Member Worden. Motion passes 4-0.

## 2.0 Treasurer's Financial Report

- 2.1 **June 2013:** Council Member Norton made a motion to accept the June 2013 treasurer's report. Seconded by Council Member Messick. Motion passed 4-0
- 2.2 **July 2013:** Council Member Messick made a motion to table the July 2013 treasurer's report due to no bank statement at this time. Seconded by Council Member Norton. Motion passed 4-0.

## 3.0 Public Forum

- 3.1 **Fran Bennett:** Mr. Bennett had a suggestion for the Council of posting the Williamsburg Landlords names and pictures of their rentals on Facebook.
- 3.2 **Lou Coppoc:** Mr. Coppoc was requesting from the City Council to use the Ag Shop to be able to put stain on the book shelf panels that will be going into the Library. He also wanted to thank the Council for all that they do. Council Member Messick made a motion to allow Mr. Coppoc to use the Ag Shop for the staining of the book shelf panels. Seconded by Council Member Stover. Motion passed 4-0.

### 4.0 Mayor's Report

4.1 Mayor Horne informed the Council that the painting of City Hall has begun and that they will finish after the side was is done. The sidewalk project will soon start framing for new sidewalks.

#### 5.0 Action Items

# 5.1 Utility Rate Study and Budget Workshop:

- A. Council Member Messick thinks that each household if disconnected should always pay \$5.00 a month to collect for the bond and interest. Council Member Worden stated that she thought \$13.00 is too high for one service fee. Discussion took place on this topic. Council Member Norton made a motion to raise the Sewer rate by \$2.00 to make it a total of \$20.00 per month. Seconded by Council Member Tipton. Motion passed 5-0.
- B. Council Member Messick made a motion to table the dumpster at the Community Building and raise the trash rate \$1.00 per property to make the total \$13.30 per month plus the poly-cart fee of \$1.25. Seconded by Council Member Stover. Motion passed 5-0.
- C. Council Member Messick made a motion to raise water rates to \$13.00 for the service fee and \$.75 per 100 gallons for in town residents. The out of town residents to be \$18.50 for service fee and \$1.10 per 100 gallons. Seconded by Council Member Tipton. Motion passed 5-0. Council Member Messick asked about the monthly service fee for

homeowners that have service off. Council Member Worden asked why not charge the \$20.00 Council Member Tipton stated that the City would lose more money than it was worth. More Discussion took place on this topic.

- 5.2 Purchase Order Policy: Mayor Horne will put as an action item at the next regular Council Meeting.
- 5.3 Gary Sims request on ditch repair in front of his residence: Council Member Norton stated that he looked at it and it is just too wet to do anything. Mayor Horne is opposed to doing the work on the ditches at this time. Council Member Norton is concerned that residence doesn't want to mow the ditches. Council needs to make a plan on the ditch work and then tackle Mr. Sims at that time. Council Member Norton's biggest concern is getting the water off the road. More discussion took place on this topic. Council Member Worden made a motion to table the road work at this time. Seconded by Council Member Messick. Motion passed 4-0.
- 5.4 Patron Request: Mayor Horne informed the Council that Mr. Sean Snethen purchased the home behind Guy & Mae's Tavern. Mr. Snethen believes that it is unfair to charge \$500.00 for a replacement meter when the meter has never been removed to begin with. Me. Snethen is asking for the \$500.00 fee to be waived and is willing to pay the \$50.00 reconnect fee. Council Member Messick went over the Ordinance about removing water meter and reconnections. Council Member Messick stated that the meter belongs to the City and not to the Homeowner. Council Member Norton stated that the meter has never been removed. Council Member Messick stated if you are going to change the Ordinance then you must change for everyone. Council Member Norton stated that he didn't think that the pervious land owner never put it in writing to be removed. Council then discussed how long the service has been off. Mayor Horne was unsure of the time period at this time. Council Member Worden stated that it would be considered a new service and thought that Mr. Snethen should pay the \$500.00 fee. Council Member Tipton stated that he thought they should follow the Ordinance. Council Member Tipton made a motion to not waive the \$500.00 fee. Seconded by Council Member Messick, Motion passed 5-0. Council Member Tipton made a motion to reword the Ordinance #462 to replace water meter with water service. Seconded by Council Member Messick. Motion passed 5-0.
- 5.5 **Reschedule September Regular Council Meeting:** Council Member Tipton made a motion to reschedule the regular Council Meeting to September 9, 2013 at 7:30 pm. Seconded by Council Member Norton. Motion passed 5-0.
- 5.6 **Budget Work Session:** Mayor Horne needs to meet with the Council regarding the Budget. Council Member Tipton made a motion to meet on August 8, 2013 at 6:30 pm for a Budget Workshop. Seconded by Council Member Stover. Motion passed 5-0.
- 5.7 **Budget Hearing:** Mayor Horne informed the Council that the Budget Hearing will be held on August 19, 2013 at 7:30 pm. He informed the Council that at least 3 Members need to be present at that meeting.
- 5.8 **Chickens:** Council Member Stover was questioning why there were chickens at the Ag Building when there wasn't supposed to be goats. He was informed that the school is using it and it was strictly for school use.
- 6.0 **Pay the Bills:** Council Member Messick made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Council Member Stover. Motion passed 5-0.
- 7.0 **Adjourn Meeting next regular meeting September 9, 2013:** Council Member Tipton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:59pm. Seconded by Council Member Messick. Motion passed 5-0.