

Longton City Council Meeting
Approved Minutes
January 12, 2016 – 6:00PM

The meeting was open by Vice-Mayor Sharon Ferguson.

Council members present: Sharon Ferguson, Jennifer Walker and Jason Clatt

Absent: Mayor Stephen Fielder, Justin Corle and Mark Ashenfelter

Also present: Bonnie Fitzhugh, Hank Edwards, Lotus McDow, Billie Corbett, Shari Kaminska, Nina Teska

Minutes: J.Walker made a motion to accept the minutes from the December regular meeting. J.Clatt seconded. Carried 3-0.

Bills: J.Walker made a motion to accept the December paid bills and January bills to be paid, as presented. J.Clatt seconded. Carried 3-0.

Public Forum: Billie Corbett inquired about moving the driveway at her house. Currently it is on the north side of the house. She would like to move it to the east side. Billie explained that she feels it is a safety hazard to have vehicles parked on the north side due to the fact that it might make it hard for individuals pulling out onto hwy 160 to see traffic coming. Nina Teska requested a new culvert put in at her house. She recently chose to move her driveway to make it closer to the house. The council told both citizens that policy in Longton is that the homeowner pays for the culvert and Hank will install the culvert at no cost.

Shari Kaminska requested any feedback from council or citizens on the subject of the Elk County courthouse being closed on Friday. She also requested feedback on the allocations of wind farm money to the cities in Elk County.

Fire Dept. Report: J.Clatt reported that that Atmos installed the gas on 1/12/16 and Westar has not been able to hook up the electric yet but will be here as soon as they can. He also reported that he found two heaters that will cost approximately \$1,600.

Water – Sewer - Street Report: Hank reported that the 9th & Wyandotte lift station went down again due to ground water getting in. New motors have been installed and it is back up and running.

Hank reported that the triangle on west side of town at the intersection of 6th & Douglas needed a new culvert. The culvert would cost \$926 therefore Hank suggested the road be closed somehow since it is rarely used. Council requested that Bonnie look into the legality of closing roads.

Adopt Resolution 2016-1: J.Clatt made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-1 GAAP Waiver. J.Walker seconded. Carried 3-0.

Adopt Article 2:1-217: J.Clatt made a motion to adopt Article 2:1-217 repealing the city code of Longton, Article 2:1-216, chapter 1-Regular Meeting of Council. J.Walker seconded. Carried 3-0.

Other Business: Lotus McDow made an offer to complete and train Bonnie on the 2017 Budget. Lotus requested \$2,600 for her service. Lotus also requested to attend the budget class with Bonnie in the spring. J.Clatt made a motion to hire Lotus McDow for the 2017 Budget and to send Bonnie and Lotus to the spring Budget class. J.Walker seconded. Carried 3-0

Bonnie Fitzhugh told council that Lotus has been in assisting the past two weeks with training her to close out for the end of the year. Bonnie requested that Lotus be compensated for her work. J.Clatt made a motion to pay Lotus McDow up to 30 hours at her ending wage. J.Walker seconded. Carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned: J.Clatt made a motion to adjourn. J.Walker seconded. Carried 3-0.

Minutes taken by Bonnie Fitzhugh

