

# UNAPPROVED MINUTES

## THE RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS

October 2, 2018

The Chetopa City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall.

PRESIDING: Mayor Terry G. Robison

PRESENT: Council Members/Gary W. Bryant, Juanita Kepner, Geraldine Castle, Betsy Koontz, Carthen Nash and Linda Seaman.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk/Toni A. Crumrine, Attorney Shane Adamson, City Supervisor Bryan Midgett, Water Plant Supervisor Mike Tyler, Officer Tim Gilliland, Brent Phillips, Jeff Law, Lee Bushong, Cindi McElroy, Judy Wilson, Bonnie Mozingo, Debbie Yost, Brenda Carter, George Davis and Kaye Wolfe.

Mayor Robison called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.

Three items, 1<sup>st</sup> Responder Run pay and visitors Lee Bushong and Debbie Yost were requested to be added to the agenda.

Motion by Koontz, second by Castle to approve the Agenda with the three additions. Motion carried.

Motion by Seaman, second by Bryant to approve the Minutes of the last regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Koontz, second by Nash to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Nash, second by Koontz to approve the Warrant Register. Motion carried.

### **APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE # 3568** as follows:

Payroll Funds	\$25562.40
Other Funds	<u>19984.49</u>
Total of all funds	\$45546.89

### **MAYOR, COUNCIL, EMPLOYEES & VISITORS**

**Brent Phillips and Jeff Law with Cunningham Sandblasting & Painting Co., Inc.** were present to discuss a quote that they had turned in to paint the interior and exterior of the water tower and to do miscellaneous other repairs to the tower. Clerk Crumrine asked for references to be sent to Water Plant Supervisor Tyler. (Law and Phillips left)

**Debbie Yost** discussed three complaints that she had turned in on behalf of the Chetopa State Bank, the Chetopa Chamber of Commerce and her business, Buckboard & Western Gifts. Governing Body members had been given copies of the complaints with pictures. The complaint from Chetopa State Bank was in regards to the security issue of overgrown brush on property behind the bank; from Chetopa Chamber of Commerce on the items being stored on city sidewalks and the overall appearance of Maple Street; and from Buckboard & Western Gifts

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protesting the building permit for Cindi McElroy to move a storage pod to property at 321 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St. A lengthy discussion was held on the three complaints and these will be turned over to Police Chief Scott Feagan to follow up on.

## **BUILDING PERMIT**

Posted on Facebook and the city website for Cindi McElroy to move in a 40' x 8' storage pod to lots at 321 N. 8<sup>th</sup> in the City of Chetopa. It was pointed out that the storage pod had already been delivered and McElroy discussed the miscommunication between who she bought it from and herself. McElroy discussed the improvements that she intended to do to the storage pod and Mayor Robison stated that none of that was documented on the application. It was asked for McElroy to revise the application to include all improvements that she intended to make to the storage pod and it would be put on the next meeting's agenda.

**Lee Bushong** requested that when the city mows the park next to the Veterans Memorial, could they be sure not to blow the grass on the memorial concrete pad. City Supervisor Midgett will let his crew know of this request.

**Mayor Robison** discussed the positive feedback from Facebook and an email that he had received from individuals concerning the new bathroom/shower facility in Elmore Park and how nice and friendly Chetopa was. It was asked if the council wished to advertise now for hiring someone to fill the vacant position from Jerry Midgett's retirement or wait until the spring. City Supervisor Midgett discussed the need for filling the position now as there is a lot of maintenance that is done during the winter and gave the example of when he was digging a sewer line with one employee and the other two employees were working the trash routes and he had several interruptions and had to stop working on the sewer line and go do the other jobs and it would have been helpful to have an additional person available to go. Bryant asked about training and an update was given on training done and what is being planned on. Midgett was instructed to get shoring prices.

Motion by Kepner, second by Koontz to start advertising for a city helper with the applications to be turned in to the city clerk by October 12, 2018. Motion carried.

**Debbie Yost** commended the city crews for doing a good job on the parks.

**Bryant** asked that the sidewalks along Maple Street be sprayed again.

**Kaye Wolfe** thank Council member Koontz for spraying round-up around the library property and reported that she and Ann McKenzie had cleaned the grass out of the sidewalks.

**Bryant** asked who was placing the flags out as he has someone wanting to do it. The school will be contacted regarding who has the flags and get the specifics.

**Kepner** voiced her agreement with Yost on the security issue at the bank and stated her concerns with making a night deposit late at night. Kepner is still waiting on an answer from the corporate office on how much Dollar General would pay towards getting a pedestrian sidewalk installed to keep residents from walking on the highway.

**Castle** recommended more patrolling of the Veterans Park at night as there have been kids on top of the shelter houses and the increased potential for vandalism. Yost stated that she

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was told that the drug dealings in the park are because of the available free Wi-Fi. Discussion continued on park curfews.

Motion by Nash, second by Koontz to draft ordinance for Veterans Park to be closed from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. with the exception of special holiday or council approved events and not allow squatting in the shelter houses. Motion carried.

**Castle** also discussed a horse being lead around in Veterans Park and felt that animals should be prohibited.

Motion by Bryant, second by Koontz to construct an ordinance that prohibits livestock in Veterans Park. Motion carried. (Nash left at 8:34p.m.)

**Koontz** reported that she and Bryant have been looking at the animal ordinances and hope to have something for the 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Clerk Crumrine** reported that Quality Printing was unable to get the envelopes that had been discussed for the camping fees and Yost suggested checking with Provision Printing. Crumrine had also signed up for the KPERS Employer Workshop in Pittsburg on Thursday October 4<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Bryant, second by Koontz to send Crumrine to the KPERS Employer Workshop. Motion carried.

**Officer Tim Gilliland** stated that the department is back to regular shifts as Dalton Russell had started the night shift.

**City Supervisor Midgett** discussed the library roof and told the council that he didn't know how to work on it and suggested that a contractor be contacted. Yost stated that David Denney would possibly be able to look at it.

Motion by Koontz, second by Kepner to contact David Denney to check the library out and give an estimate. Motion carried.

**City Supervisor Midgett** discussed the benches for the shower house, the wastewater certification testing in December at Emporia and putting locks on the hydrants in Veterans Park.

**Mayor Robison** asked if Midgett had gotten his CDL and he has not yet and Tony Mayfield just lacks taking the driving portion of the CDL. Midgett discussed sending Mayfield and Joey Midgett to the KMU training on transformers.

Motion by Koontz, second by Kepner to send Mayfield and Midgett to the KMU training. Motion carried.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT RUN/MEETING PAY**

Fire Chief Bryan Midgett submitted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter fire pay that amounted to \$856.

Motion by Koontz, second by Kepner to approve payment of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Fire Department Pay. Motion carried.

## **FIRST RESPONDER 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER RUN PAY**

Chetopa 1<sup>st</sup> Responder President Scott Feagan had submitted the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter run pay in the amount of \$560.

Motion by Seaman, second by Koontz to approve the payment of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 1<sup>st</sup> Responders pay. Motion carried.

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Motion by Seaman, second by Bryant to adjourn. Motion carried.

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Mayor

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City Clerk