

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

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

February 19, 2019

The Chetopa City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall.

PRESIDING: President of the Council Gary W. Bryant.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk/Toni A. Crumrine, Police Chief Scott Feagan, City Supervisor Bryan Midgett, Labette County Sheriff Darren Eichinger, Police Officer Dalton Russell, Police Officer Corie Brown, Kim and Karisa Vanderpool, Eric Anderson, Michelle Harrod and Charles Archer.

President of the Council Bryant called the meeting to order and Koontz opened with prayer.

Visitor Kim Vanderpool was requested to be added to the agenda.

Motion by Nash, second by Castle to approve the Agenda with the added visitor. Motion carried.

Motion by Nash, second by Koontz to approve the Minutes from the last regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Kepner, second by Nash to approve the Municipal Court Report. Motion carried.

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

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

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE # 3578 as follows:

Payroll Funds	\$ 25394.55
Other Funds	<u>139997.44</u>
Total of all funds	\$165391.99

MAYOR, COUNCIL, EMPLOYEES & VISITORS

Sheriff Darren Eichinger gave the council statistics on the average cost of housing an inmate in the jail and gave a printout of the inmates that have been jailed by the Chetopa Police Department. Police Chief Scott Feagan reminded the council that money from the increased court costs has been being set aside in anticipation of this agreement and there was an approximate balance of \$5000 now. Discussion followed.

Motion by Koontz, second by Kepner to approve the signing of the agreement between the City of Chetopa and the Labette County Sheriff Department for the housing of inmates. Motion carried. (Sheriff Eichinger left)

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Michelle Harrod, representing Project Prom, discussed the project prom activities and reported that this year would be more costly due to the bigger classes and asked for a donation to be used to buy prizes and pay for the activities being planned.

Motion by Seaman, second by Kepner to donate \$200 to the Project Prom. Motion carried. (Harrod thanked the council and left)

Kim Vanderpool was present to discuss a water leak that they had at their house that amounted to a \$930 utility bill. Discussion followed.

Motion by Nash, second by Kepner to allow payments to be spread over a year. Motion carried.

Kepner discussed the recent Facebook posting by an individual of the city not cleaning the ice off the Dollar General parking lot. The person hired by Dollar General to clear the ice did not show up and it was not the city's responsibility to deice the parking lot.

Castle discussed the couple staying at Elmore Park and felt that they should vacate the park as they have stayed well past the time limit set out in the city code and they have not paid the camping fees for all the time that they have been there.

Motion by Koontz, second Castle to notify the couple that they have to be out of the city park system by Thursday, February 28th and be paid up to date when they leave. Motion carried.

Koontz reported that Mayor Robison had tried again to get in touch with the Corp of Engineers regarding the erosion along the Neosho River bank but has not gotten a response. Representative Mike Houser will be contacted regarding the issue. Koontz also asked about the stop sign beacon and it was reported that KDOT was requiring a traffic study to be done and the purchase had been put off until KDOT had gotten the results of the study. Koontz discussed the trailer that had been moved to the property that had been Blanche North's. Police Chief Feagan stated that they were waiting on what the council was going to do regarding RV trailers. Koontz thanked Police Chief Feagan and Officer Travis Rakestraw for getting the dog situation taking care of.

Seaman again reported that Jessica Schertz was interested in managing the pool this summer.

Clerk Crumrine informed the council that she had been contacted regarding the purchasing of the rock building that the city is currently storing electrical and water parts in and had told the gentleman that the city had declined to sell the property in the past but would once again ask and it was again declined to sell the property. The February 15th deadline to have the nuisance cleanup done on the Joe Blundell property had passed and no noticeable cleanup had been done. City Supervisor Midgett said they intended to start on it once it dried up some. A petition to close an alley in the west end of town had been filed and signed by 100% of the property owners and an ordinance had been drafted to close the alley with the city retaining a right of ingress and egress.

Motion by Nash, second by Seaman to adopt Ordinance No. 917 to vacate the alley. Motion carried.

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ORDINANCE NO. 917/AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE NORTH AND SOUTH HALVES OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY IN BLOCK 2, STEVENS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS.

Police Chief Feagan reported that his in dash camera had quit working and a new camera cost \$4700 but the county attorney will pay for it.

Motion by Nash, second by Koontz to allow the purchase of the camera. Motion carried.

Police Chief Feagan informed the council that Officer Russell had rented a room from Jason Donfris until an apartment was available from Jim Cooper. Russell was still on probation until he relocated to Chetopa.

Motion by Nash, second by Kepner to take Officer Russell off probation effective February 15th. Motion carried.

City Supervisor Midgett reported that the trash truck had an air leak but was taken and fixed in one day. Bryant asked how the new employee was doing and Midgett said that Stapleton was doing a good job.

Clerk Crumrine asked about where the employment physicals and physical capacity testing was to be done now that the Oswego Hospital, Oswego and Chetopa Community Clinics had closed down and she was instructed to contact Labette Health.

MINIMUM HOUSING STANDARD/RV DISCUSSION

Koontz reported that she felt that the Minimum Housing Standards that had been omitted when the new city code was updated should be put back in effect and several items to be changed were discussed.

Motion by Koontz, second by Castle to work up an ordinance to incorporate the minimum housing standards back in. Motion carried.

CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION ADOPTIONS

Two condemnation finding resolutions that were discussed at the last meeting setting the time periods for start and completion were presented for adoption.

Motion by Nash, second by Seaman to adopt the condemnation resolutions. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-2/A RESOLUTION FINDING THAT THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT S34, T34, R21, LOTS 21-24 & W ½ OF VAC. ALLEY E & ADJ. BLOCK 58, A1 CHETOPA ORIG CITY, IN THE CITY OF CHETOPA, LABETTE COUNTY, KANSAS, COMMONLY KNOWN AND REFERRED TO AS 321 CHERRY STREET, IS UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS AND DIRECTING THAT THE STRUCTURES BE REMOVED AND THE PREMISES MADE SAFE AND SECURE.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-3/AAN RESOLUTION FINDING THAT THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT S34, T34, R21, N ½ LOTS 25-32,BLOCK 57, A1 CHETOPA ORIG CITY, IN THE CITY OF CHETOPA, LABETTE COUNTY, KANSAS, COMMONLY KNOWN AND REFERRED TO AS 415 S. 4TH STREET, IS UNSAFE OR DAGEROUS AND DIRECTING THAT THE STRUCTURES BE REMOVED AND THE PREMISES MADE SAFE AND SECURE.

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ENHANCED CMB ORDINANCE ADOPTION

Ordinance No. 916 to regulate the new enhanced CMB was presented for adoption.

Motion by Castle, second by Nash to adopt Ordinance No. 916. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 916/AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALE OF CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE AND BEER CONTAINING NOT MORE THAN 6% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME WITHIN THE CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS AND MENDING ARTICLE 2. CEREAL MALT BEVERAGES OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF CHETOPA.

CHETOPA STAR DISCUSSION

Information had been received from Terry Tucker concerning a plaque that was placed in Veterans Memorial Park that she felt had inaccurate historical information on it concerning the star that had previously been on the bridge and asked that the city remove the plaque.

Motion by Koontz, second by Castle to table the action on the star plaque until further review is done. Motion carried.

VACATION REQUESTS

Joey Midgett, City Helper requested 5 days' vacation, June 17-21, 2019 and Jordyn Stapleton, City Helper requested 6 days' vacation with no pay, August 6-13, 2019.

Motion by Koontz, second by Nash to approve the two vacation requests. Motion carried.

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

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Mayor

City Clerk