

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

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

November 12, 2021

The Chetopa City Council met in special session on Friday, November 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at City Hall, for the specific purpose of discussion of utility maintenance and repairs and non-elected personnel.

PRESIDING: Mayor Tammy Bushong

PRESENT: Council Members/Geraldine Castle, Ernie Wulf, Bob Boyd and Linda Seaman. Gary W. Bryant and Juanita Kepner were not present.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk/Toni A. Crumrine, Police Chief Scott Feagan, Water Plant Operator Paul Trinkle, David Grant, Steve Blackledge and George Davis.

Mayor Bushong called the meeting to order and led the council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting with prayer.

Information regarding the KMEA proposal was discussed and Mayor Bushong reported that she had attended the Altamont city council meeting on Monday and asked the council about setting up a meeting with the Altamont and Chetopa city councils with KMEA representative to further discuss the KMEA proposal with all parties present and was given the go ahead to contact Altamont. Clerk Crumrine had contacted Colton Ingram with ICR in Oswego if he would be available to help Chetopa in the event of electrical issues and he was agreeable to do it for \$45/hour but would like a little advance notice on minor issues so he could schedule work in. Ingram will be sending Crumrine a copy of his certificate of insurance. Crumrine also asked if she could contact Zach Lawellin to see if he would agree to help out on water and sewer line issues and was given approval to contact Lawellin and also to call Ingram for electrical issues. Mayor Bushong asked that the policies of electrical, water and sewer resident requests be looked at to give 24-48 hours' notice of non-emergency work requests.

Motion by Castle, second by Wulf to enter into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with mayor, council and city clerk present for a period of 15 minutes with session ending at 6:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Entered: 6:23 p.m.

Returned: 6:38 p.m.

Mayor Bushong called the meeting back to order and no action was taken from executive session.

Discussion was held on how to make sure that work that has been requested by council and residents has been completed and it was suggested to have a meeting with the council and employees. Police Chief Feagan asked if it would be okay if he traded shifts with Officer Travis Rakestraw on Monday, November 22 and Tuesday, November 23, 2021 so that he could assist

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reading meters and was given the okay to proceed. George Davis was recognized and he expressed his concerns that if the council was considering selling the electrical service that it would be a mistake and was assured that selling the electric service was not even being considered

Motion by Castle to adjourn. Motion died for a lack of a second as Boyd asked for an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel.

Motion by Boyd, second by Castle to enter into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with mayor and council present for a period of 10-minutes with session ending at 7:23 p.m. Motion carried.

Entered: 7:13 p.m. Returned: 7:23 p.m.

Mayor Bushong called the meeting back to order and no action was taken from executive session.

Motion by Castle, second by Wulf to adjourn. Motion carried.

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Mayor

City Clerk