

City of Larned, KS

Regular Session

Monday, February 5th, 2018

6:30 P.M.

Mayor William Nusser called the regular session to order with the following Councilmembers present: Councilmember Kim Barnes, Councilmember George Elmore, Councilmember Dennis Wilson, Councilmember Jason Murray, and Councilmember Carroll Bennett.

Absent: Councilmember Gary Rainbolt, Councilmember Terry Clark, and Councilmember Sharon McGinness.

City Attorney Ron Smith, City Manager Brad Eilts, Finance Director Monica Steiner, and City Clerk Kara Rath were also present.

Visitors: Jaidyn Pinkston, Skye Feldman, Joan Basgall, Lauryn Harding, Cadee Upson, Rick Reason, Ralph Streit, Josh Riedel, Rita Kurtz, Mike Gilmore, and Veronica Coons.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

The regular session agenda was approved by council, no additions were noted.

Procedures Subsequent to the November 7th Election

City Attorney, Ron Smith administered the Oath of Office to Mayor William Nusser, Councilmen Carroll Bennett (Ward One), Councilmen Dennis Wilson (Ward Three) and Councilmen Kim Barnes (Ward Four). Councilmen Terry Clark (Ward One) was absent and will be sworn in at the next meeting, March 5th 2018.

Councilmen George Elmore nominated Councilmen Dennis Wilson as President of Council.

Motion Passes.

Councilmen Carroll Bennett moved that the City Depository remain as American State Bank and Trust Co., Bank of the West, Farmers Bank and Trust, N.A., and First State Bank and Trust CO. Councilmen Jason Murray seconded.

Motion Passes.

Approval of Consent agenda:

Regular Session Council Meeting Minutes from January 2nd, 2018 were reviewed. No discussion took place.

Committee Appointments were approved as presented. Bill Don Clapham will serve on the ADA Committee for the term 2018-2021. Joan Basgall will serve on the Board of Zoning Appeals for the term 2018-2021.

On a motion by Councilmen Murray seconded by Councilmen Bennett to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion Passes.

Appropriation Ordinance #1:

Finance Director Monica Steiner reported on the expenses listed on the financial report.

On a motion by Councilmen Barnes, seconded by Councilmen Elmore, and carried for Appropriation Ordinance #1 in the amount of \$772,624.53 and transfers more or less was approved for payment.

Public Comments:

No comments were noted.

Jr. City Council:

Corrine Reynolds presented, the Jr. City Council visited the Power Plant and spoke with Electric distribution and Electric Generation.

New Business

Circles Presentation: Circles is a non-profit organization and program of work designed to decrease the rate of poverty in communities. The program offers a longer-term, three-phase support system to build capacity rather than providing short-term support and subsidies for basic needs of those in poverty.

Circles chapters work with local communities in a comprehensive manner to coordinate integrated services.

The Circles Chapter would like to launch program in Larned by September.

Discussion: Before launching the program needs are: creating opportunities, volunteers, community allies, and funding. The funds needed are \$25,000 by August.

April 30 there will be poverty seminar.

KCAMP Presentation: Carrie Nelson presented. KCAMP is The Kansas County Association Multiline Pool, it is a not-for-profit, member owned, member funded, self-insurance property and liability pool. Members pay premiums into a pool that is used to pay claims, provide risk management services for public entities, includes HR benefits and compliance.

Discussion took place that the City's current schedule needs to be reviewed and a comparison will be conducted against KCAMP.

A motion to seeks bids was made by Councilmen Barnes and seconded by Councilmen Elmore.

Motion Passes.

Electric Generation Performance testing: Ralph Striet presented on Recertification of the City's compliance to RICE NESHAP, ZZZZ (Compressing Ignition, or CI; spark ignition, or SI; and stationary reciprocating internal combustion engines). Compliance requirements are dependent on site ratings (engine size) measured in horsepower; source category of the facility (amount of hazardous air pollution emitted where the engine is located); date when the engine was installed; and whether or not the engine is an emergency source. This is a mandatory test.

Power Plant Compliance expects to test two engines per day and estimates that they can perform the tests November 13th-15th 2018. The cost for the exhaust monitoring test and the associated documentation would be \$19,750.

On a motion by Councilmen Elmore, seconded by Councilmen Wilson to approve the contract with Power Plant Compliance to conduct Performance Testing for the Larned Electric Production Department.

Motion Passes.

City Council Trip to Topeka: City Manager Brad Eilts stated that Councilmen Barnes would like to gage the interest in the Council on a trip to Topeka to meet with Legislators and State Agencies. It was decided that City Manager Eilts would send an email to coordinate dates and times.

Kim Barnes, Dennis Wilson, Jason Murray, and Rita Kurtz will try to attend.

Wastewater Presentation:

--John Drews was not present for the staff presentation.

It was noted that the City of Larned was awarded a Gold Award for workmen's comp through KMIT, this will include a 5% discount taken off our estimated premium.


Executive Session: On a motion by Councilmen Murray and seconded by Councilmen Wilson to go into Executive Session at 8:15 PM and set to reconvene regular session at 8:30 PM to discuss Attorney-Client Privilege regarding allegations of possible lawsuit over special assessments. City Manager Brad Eilts and City Attorney Ron Smith were asked to join.

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned.



City Clerk



William Nusser, Mayor