

CITY OF CAWKER CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
June 14, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-CAWKER CITY

Work Session-Sign off on bills:

Mayor Drew Duskie present and presiding called the regular council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Barb Wise, Doug Bader & Carl Suter

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** Denelle Mick, Charles Gullion, City Attorney – Chantz Martin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**CONSENT AGENDA:** D. Bader made a motion to approve the May 10 corrected regular council meeting minutes. C. Suter seconded. Motion carried 3 AYES B. Wise made a motion to approve claims ordinance 1546A. D. Bader seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

**PERMIT APPLICATIONS:** D. Bader made a motion to approve the building permits for SMC-sidewalk, USD 272 for storage container & storm shelter at daycare C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES B. Wise made a motion to approve the Fireworks stand permit for Shannon DePoy. D. Bader seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

**PUBLIC COMMENT & PUBLIC VISITORS:** Chris Thornton-fire dept. , Sheri Naasz-Cushing Ins.

Chris Thornton-Fire Chief of Cawker City Fire Dept. was present to discuss flow testing of fire equipment and the new lock put on the fire dept. door. Cost of testing was approximately \$770.00 last year and the lock on the door was \$151.89. B. Wise made a motion to pay the two items for the fire dept. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES Chris then presented the Mitchell Co. Mutual Aid agreement for all services offered with the county for the council to review. Sheri Naasz was present to deliver the EMC dividend check to the city in the amount of \$7165.44. She thanked the city for their business.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Martin stated that the contract to purchase the parcel of land from Agco had been signed with a closing date in mid July. The cost to the city would be \$1,000.00 plus closing costs. The City employee residency policy was discussed and the council at this time decided to leave the policy as written. They felt it would be reviewed as needed. Federal Flood insurance should be ready to be signed at the July council meeting.

**ORDINANCES:** D. Bader made a motion to pass Ord. 1187 KDHE loan amendment. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 3 AYES

8:00 pm C. Eberle arrived

D. Bader made a motion to pass Resolution 2-2023 golf course fees for 2024. C. Eberle seconded. Motion carried 4 AYES Resolution 3-2023 was tied to resolution 1-2023 pertaining to Federal Flood program

**CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:**

**C. Gullion:** Gullion asked about ordering a truck load of utility poles with Mark Bergmann buying some of the load. D. Bader made a motion to approve the purchase. B. Wise seconded Motion carried 3AYES Discussion was held in regards to rocking roads (15<sup>th</sup> & Ash). This discussion was tabled till the July meeting. Gullion stated that he would like to purchase two boxes of sprinkler heads for the golf course at a cost of \$424.00. C. Suter made a motion to purchase sprinkler heads. B. Wise seconded Motion carried 3 AYES Gullion asked about purchasing a arm assembly for the

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electric bucket truck this would be used for electric lines when replacing electric poles. The cost would \$1840.41 from Hastings Supply. D. Bader made a motion to purchase the arm assembly at a cost of \$1840.41. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES. The next discussion was rebuilding a cover for the pumps at the golf course. Gullion stated that they had a roof off the old pay station that would work for part of the building. The total cost for rebuilding the cover would be \$2,500.00. Council asked if he had gotten permission from the bureau and he stated he had. C. Suter made a motion to rebuild cover for pump. B. Wise seconded Motion carried 3 AYES Gullion reported that he had gotten 4 tires for the white truck at a cost of \$707.00

**D. Mick:** Mick discussed the current water rates with council. After receiving the amended water tower loan, the rates will need to be raised. She proposed doing \$3.50 in October 2023 and the \$3.50 in April 2024 this will help get ready for the first loan payment in January 2025. Council agreed that this was a good plan.

**J. Reed:** report in packet

**UNIFINSIHED BUSINESS:**

1. Water tower project update- KDHE loan amendment has arrived for approval
2. Update on storm drain project – project bid date Sept. 1, 2023
3. Update on golf course repairs was given, stating that a grant was being written to Dane Hansen to help with costs with a grant deadline of May 25.
4. Ball field repairs – All poles were removed and the city crew filled in mud volleyball pits so that the ballfield could be used for a practice field.
5. Clerk Mick stated that the Lead & copper surveys are being sent out. This will be done according to wards, starting with ward 1. Clerk Mick stated that her and Chuck Gullion attended the monthly senior center potluck and discussed the EPA reasoning on the lead & copper surveys and helped fill out some of the surveys.
6. D. Bader made a motion to approve the corrected 2022 City budget. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. B. Wise made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Lakefest fireworks display. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4 AYES
2. Discussion on the possible closing of streets and alleys for new construction. Much discussion took place and it was decided to table till more information was available. Mayor Duskie stated that he would get in contact with the individual doing the project.
3. Information was placed in council packets in regards to the Kansas Byways program.
4. Scaffolding on main street was discussed and C. Eberle stated he would talk to Code Enforcement officer Reed about the issue

8:25 p.m. -D. Bader made a motion in go into executive session for attorney/client with Denelle Mick present for 5 minutes. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 4 AYES. 8:30 p.m. D. Bader made a motion to return to regular session. B. Wise seconded Motion carried 4 AYES NO ACTION

8:30p m. – D. Bader made a motion to adjourn. C. Suter seconded Motion carried 4AYES

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Approved:

City Clerk: