

CITY OF CAWKER CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 10, 2020 7:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-CAWKER CITY,

Work Session-Sign off on bills

Council President Drew Duskie present and presiding called the meeting to order (Mayor Linton was absent)

ROLL CALL: Jan Cornely, Drew Duskie, Doug Bader, Cole Eberle, Lisha Wiese

CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Denelle Mick, David Reling, Charles Gullion, City Attorney Chantz Martin

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT: Michelle Huddle – Swindoll, Janzen Hawk & Loyd, LLC, Jim Coash – Prairie Land, Bill Brummer, Jim & Jean Brummer & Colleen Eberle

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CONSENT AGENDA:

D. Bader made a motion to approve the May 13 regular meeting & May 18 special meeting L. Wiese seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

J. Cornely made a motion to approve Claims ord. 1510A. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

PERMIT APPLICATIONS: D. Bader made a motion to approve the building permit for a carport for Monte Webster granting a 5 ft variance to the west side of the property. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5AYES C. Eberle made a motion to approve the building permit for Gary McGinnis (small shed) and granting a 2 ft. variance to the west side of property towards Holly Street. L. Wiese seconded Motion carried 5 AYES L. Wiese made a motion to approve the building permit for John Schlaefli (storage building). J. Cornely seconded Motion carried 5 AYES. C. Eberle made a motion to approve the building permit for Bill Brummer (trailer house) and to grant a 3 ft variance to the north. L. Wiese seconded. Motion carried 4 AYES (D. Bader abstained)

PUBLIC COMMENT: Michelle Huddle of SJHL gave a brief report and overview of the 2019 audit. She stated that everything looked good. She thanked the City and she was pleased and relieved on how smoothly the audit went during the difficult times of the Covid-19. She stated that the audit was done by email and phone. D. Bader made a motion to accept the 2019 audit as presented. J. Cornely seconded. Motion carried 5 AYES Council thanked her for coming to the meeting. Jim Coash from Prairie Land was present to do a presentation on some replacement of poles and lines that they would be doing inside the City limits. The City also has some lines that are needing to be replaced and Prairie Land could save the City money and time if they addressed that issue at the same time, they were doing their work. Approximate cost to the City for their line repair and pole replacement would be \$11,000.00, this is a large savings to the City. D. Bader made a motion to have Prairie Land do the work at a cost of \$11,000.00 and be paid out of the Electric reserve fund. C. Eberle seconded. Motion carried 5 AYES Jim Brummer was present to discuss the 9th street repair that has been started. He stated that he had some concerns in regards to their pasture fences and the wells on their property. He asked the City if they had applied for permits to do the work, since a new culvert would need to be installed. He also referred to the Kansas Fence Laws. After his presentation City Attorney Martin answered his questions and said the City would be moving forward and they would address all of his questions. Colleen Eberle gave a visual presentation on possibly updating the City web page. She gave two different presentations and prices. Consensus of council was to table till the July council meeting, council thanked her coming.

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STAFF REPORTS:

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT: City Attorney Martin stated that the survey on the water tower property was done and that he would be meeting with Skyler Wise in regards to the deed on the property. Martin stated that he was working on a letter of support for the Storm Drain Grant application.

CITY EMPLOYEES REPORT:

D. Reling: Reling stated that the weed eater was needing to be replaced. He would like to purchase an Echo from Miller Welding at a price of \$400.00. Reling priced street oil and at this time he can order it at \$1.96 per gallon and has gotten one and wondered about ordering another since the price is low. D. Bader made a motion to order a second load of street oil at \$1.96 per gallon. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES Having some problems at the west sewer lift station and still can't find anyone to work on the pumps. He will keep checking to find someone to work on them and get prices to replace them.

D. Mick: Mick reported that the City had received a Dane Hansen grant of \$5,000.00 to go towards the park mulch project. Steve McMillan wrote the grant for the City. A balance of \$5,888.41 was left after the grants were applied. C. Eberle made a motion to pay the balance of \$5,888.41 from the police reserve fund. D. Bader seconded. Motion carried 5 AYES This fund was established to provide money for safety projects for the City. Clerk Mick stated that the mulch project had been inspected and she would be submitting the final report to KDHE.

J. Reed: Reed was not present. His report was placed in council packet

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. The repair of 9th street was discussed. It was reported that the bids had not been submitted for the project.
2. There was nothing to report on the cemetery road at the present time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. D. Bader made a motion to hire Chuck Lowe as a new city employee at \$15.00 an hour starting June 1, 2020. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

COUNCIL REPORT: D. Bader reported to council that Doc Pickens was thinking about selling his building and wondered if the City was interested in buying it back from him. Consensus of council was that they were not interested at this time.

9:04 p.m. -D. Bader made a motion to adjourn. C. Eberle seconded Motion carried 5 AYES

Approved:

City Clerk: