



MINUTE RECORD
Regular Council Meeting City of Haven

Meeting: REGULAR

Date: May 19, 2014

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY PAULA SCOTT, COUNCIL PRESIDENT, WITH THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Council Members: Don Etchison, Les Banman, Dan Loop, and Adam Wright.

Absent: Mike Alfors.

Others: Allen Blake, Rob Pell, Leslie Warden, Joey Young, and Christopher Scott.

There were no additions to the agenda, and no public comment was delivered.

Open Sealed Bids on Desks / Printer Stands

No bids were received. Therefore, the items will be trashed.

Approve Appointment of Marvin Mills to Planning Commission for a Term to Expire January of 2016

Etchison moved and Banman seconded to appoint Marvin Mills to the Planning Commission for a term to expire in January of 2016. All five members voted in favor of the same.

Discuss City Trash Service Options

Public Works Director, Allen Blake, approached the Council to request they consider contracting out the City trash service. He noted that in the past he had recommended keeping it with the City because the City could provide cheaper service, better service, and have an extra man on staff to help out with other Public Works duties, but none of those things are true anymore. With the additional investments in trash containers and an increase in the money being put aside to replace the trash truck sooner, the trash rates for 2015 will have to increase by at least 25%, putting the price of monthly residential trash service at \$13.85. Then, of course, the City still would not be able to provide curbside recycling and probably never will because that would have to be another entire operation. The residents of the City of Arlington pay \$12.90 per month for trash service with Nisly Brothers. This includes once weekly trash service and once every two weeks for curbside recycling. The Clerk at the City of Arlington reported that the rates had been stable with no large increases. Blake recommended the City obtain bids on contracting the trash service out. Etchison and Banman both spoke in favor of obtaining bids. Loop noted that several citizens had approached him to express their desire to have curbside recycling. Ultimately, Etchison moved that the City pursue bids on contracting the trash service out. Banman seconded, and the motion passed four to one. Wright cast the opposing vote.

City Administrator / Public Works Director Updates

Blake presented the following updates:

- Department Heads recommended the City contract out the mowing of overgrown yards. Brief discussion about Public Works staffing took place. The issue died for lack of a motion.
- The water main for Haven Steel is complete.



- Painting of the water tower continues. The “HAVEN” that faces the west is not centered appropriately. The contractors have assured us it will be fixed, but how it will be fixed has yet to be decided.
- The school board has decided to replace the curb and sidewalk on East 4th Street; this will cost them approximately \$12,000. They wanted to know if the City would participate in cost-sharing by paying half. Wright moved to participate in reimbursing the school for half the cost if the funds are available at the end of 2014 and to budget for the reimbursement in 2015 if they are not available in 2014. Etchison seconded, and the motion carried five to zero.
- Banman asked if bids from the street sweeping contractors had been received. Blake said he hadn’t yet gotten one to come to Haven to provide a bid, but he is still working on it.
- Wright inquired about the spraying of weeds on City property. Public Works has ordered product from MKC for that purpose.

Chief of Police Updates

Chief Pell provided the following updates:

- Today was the first day of the Click It or Ticket campaign here, and so far it is going well.
- Officer Salmans was given a provisional certificate so that he can work until he attends the Academy in August of 2014. He will then graduate right before Thanksgiving.
- Hours and practices regarding the 4th of July were briefly discussed. Scott asked Chief Pell to provide a PSA on firework safety / clean up.

Registration of Golf Carts / Utility Vehicles

Chief Pell proposed the City require the annual registration of golf carts, thereby requiring owners to present proof of liability insurance and pay a \$10 registration fee. Then each registrant would be provided with a numbered decal to affix to a certain spot on their golf cart / utility vehicle. The Council felt agreed with the proposal, but in further discussion, expressed their desire for the golf carts / utility vehicles to also be examined at the time of initial registration to see that they fall legally under City Ordinance. At a later date, Chief Pell will present an Ordinance for adoption.

Approve Partial Pay Estimate No. 5 from Gerard Tank & Steel: \$89,000.00

Wright moved and Etchison seconded to approve payment of \$89,000 to Gerard Tank & Steel for Estimate No.5, pending approval from USDA Rural Development. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Proposed Resolution regarding Condemnation of 119 N. Kansas

City Administrator, Allen Blake, presented a statement to the City Council informing them that the building at 119 N. Kansas Avenue is in an unsafe condition and requesting they fix a time and place for a public hearing for the owner to show cause why the structure should not be condemned and ordered demolished. Wright moved for the adoption of Resolution 283, setting the public hearing for July 7, 2014, at 7:00 PM at City Council Chambers. Loop seconded, and the motion passed five to zero.

Discuss Maintenance Technician’s Work Schedule

Blake advised that today maintenance technician, Steve Snyder, provided two weeks’ notice of his intent to leave employment with the City. However, he did say he was willing to work mornings / part-time until the City found a replacement if needed. Banman moved to keep Snyder on part-time at the same



rate of pay (but without the retirement / health insurance benefits) until a replacement was hired. Wright seconded, and the motion carried.

Minutes

Minutes from the May 5, 2014, meeting were unanimously approved with a motion from Etchison and a second from Banman.

Accounts Payable

Wright moved to approve the payment of accounts payable totaling \$344,789.13. Etchison seconded, and the motion passed five to zero. Then Etchison moved to pay Adam Wright \$300.00. Loop seconded, and the motion carried four to zero with Wright abstaining from the vote.

Council Concerns

None.

Adjournment

At 8:05 PM, Loop moved and Banman seconded for adjournment. The motion passed unanimously.

/s/

Mike H. Alferts, Mayor

Attest:

/s/

Leslie Warden, City Clerk