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City of Peabody
Minutes of the City Council Meeting
January 8, 2018

Office of the City Clerk
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CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Larsen at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers of City Hall located at 300 N. Walnut, Peabody, Kansas. The following council members were present: Tom Spencer, Steve Rose, Rick Reynolds, Beth Peter and Janice Woodruff. A quorum was established.

STAFF: Jonna Munson – City Clerk, Elizabeth Harder – City Treasurer, Bruce Burke – Chief of Police, Ronnie Harms – Superintendent of Public Works, Jylle Wilson – Court Clerk

VISITORS: NM Patton, Travis Wilson, Matt Litton, Paige Carr – Peabody Gazette-Bulletin, Hannah Bourbon

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. MINUTES:

The council reviewed minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on December 28, 2017.

MOTION by Rose to approve as amended to change Peabody GazetteTelegraph to Peabody Gazette Bulletin. Motion seconded by Reynolds. Motion carried 4-0-1 Woodruff.

II. APPROPRIATIONS:

PAYROLL 2017 12C	\$10,209.14
PAYROLL 2017 12C tax & benefits	\$ 5,915.54
PAYABLES 2018 1A	<u>\$14,614.10</u>
Totaling	\$30,738.78

MOTION by Rose to approve appropriations in the amount of \$30,738.78. Motion seconded by Spencer. Motion carried 5-0.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Travis Wilson thanked Steve Rose and Janice Woodruff for the time on council.

NM Patton said he enjoyed working with Janice Woodruff on Parks

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Spencer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Reynolds. Motion carried 5-0.

V. AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Swearing in of Mayor and new City Council members.

Clerk Munson lead the oath of office for newly elected mayor Larry Larsen and councilmen Matthew Litton and Travis Wilson. After well wishes were given to Steve Rose and Janice Woodruff, councilmen Litton and Wilson were seated at council table.

MOTION by Peter to elect Travis Wilson as council President to replace exiting President Rose. No second.

MOTION by Litton to elect Rick Reynolds as council President. No second.

MOTION by Reynolds to elect Tom Spencer as council President. Motion seconded by Wilson. Motion carried 4-0-1 Spencer.

MOTION by Reynolds to approve Wilson to authorized signer on City checking account. Motion seconded by Spencer. Motion carried 4-0-1 Wilson.

2. Marion County community Economic Development Corporation Bylaws

Current bylaws were presented to council. Wilson wants to see original copy to see what changes were made. Reynolds asked to table discussion until next meeting. Clerk Munson will check to see if we have original, if not, Mayor Larsen will check with Chris Hernandez.

3. BNSF Railway Agreement

BNSF is wanting to close Doyle Road and move the crossing. Council wants to table until next meeting. Reynolds suggested we have our attorney check into this as it may not be in the City's best interest. Questions and concerns – are they closing the crossing and do we have a choice. Clerk Munson will email Attorney Lane for guidance.

B. Reports from Standing Committees:

- 1. Water (Spencer & Reynolds)** – Consensus by council to send Todd Woodruff and Ronnie Harms to Dig Safe Training at 6:30pm on February 8th in McPherson. Training is free, overtime will be paid.

There was a valve split on January 5th and Middlecreek was called for repairs. Reynolds stated Public Works should always assess the situation first.

There is currently one customer who has not paid water bill from last month when shut off was delayed due to freezing conditions. Council consensus to move forward with shut off of the final resident on shut off list who hasn't paid.

- 2. Streets and Alleys (Woodruff & Spencer)** – Mayor Larsen received a call from Hannaford Title and Vintage Bank about vacating street for Watsons at 60th/Locust and Doyle Street. Wilson is concerned of setting precedent. Are Potter or Doyle already vacated? Mayor asked Ronnie about underground utility easement. Discussion tabled.
- 3. Sanitation (Larsen)** – Mayor received letter from Tony Zappone. On the night of January 5, 2018, sewer backed up in Mr. Zappone's basement for a second time. Public Works took care of the issue and found grease. Superintendent of school says traps are in place. Mr. Zappone is willing to come to next council meeting. Mayor said Mr. Zappone installed check valve after last problem 1 ½ years ago. Wilson suggested city install check valve to as safeguard to possibly prevent problem from happening again. Ronnie said they can establish 6 month cleaning with jetter. Wilson would like price on check valve. Mayor asked Ronnie to write letter to Mr. Zappone to let him know we are looking into it and to invite him to next council meeting.
- 4. Lights (Reynolds & Peter)** – Nothing to report.
- 5. Fire (Larsen & Rose & Woodruff)** – Nothing to report.
- 6. Park and Swimming Pool (Woodruff & Spencer)** – Councilman Peter stated Rylee McDowell would not be returning as Pool Manager this summer.

PH4HP next meeting is tomorrow evening in the Peabody Township Library basement. Mr. Patton wants to see about moving extra money to this project. Ph4HP is getting bids for sand blasting. Council Wilson would like to see bids for council to vote on before work is done. Mayor thanked Mr. Patton.

7. **Building - (Larsen & Woodruff)** – Nothing to report.
8. **Finance and Ordinance (Rose & Reynolds & Spencer)** – Nothing to report.
9. **Economic Development Committee (Larsen & Rose & Reynolds)** – Hannah Bourbon will resign this Friday, if funds aren't paid to Marion County Community Economic Development Corporation. Reynolds said if bylaws haven't changed, he is ok with paying \$7,500 for 2017. Spencer feels there is no elected official and doesn't want to lose Hannah as representative on MCCEDC Board.

MOTION by Spencer to pay \$7,500 to MCCEDC. Motion seconded by Reynolds. Motion carried 5-0.

10. **Personnel (Larsen & Rose & Reynolds)** – Councilman Reynolds indicated he hasn't had time to check into tardy policy.
- C. **Report from the Mayor** – Mayor Larsen is now working full time at Marion County. He will be getting coverage to attend meetings. His phone number is 316-25-2329 and his email is medic2366866@yahoo.com. He encouraged council and staff to give this information to public.

Standing Committees will be reappointed next council meeting. Mayor asked each council member to give 3-4 top choices for committees.

ENCLOSURES:

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PAYROLL 2017 12C
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BNSF Railway Agreement

VI. ITEMS TO BE ON AGENDA FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:

1. Process procedures for Lack of Water Service
2. Performance Evaluation

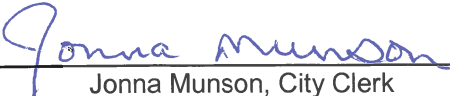
VII. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no more business to be brought before the council **MOTION** by Reynolds to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion was seconded by Litton. Motion carried 5-0.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct recording of the proceedings of the governing body of the City of Peabody, Kansas, held on the date stated therein, and that the official minutes of such proceedings are on file in my office.

(SEAL)



Jonna Munson, City Clerk