



MINUTE RECORD
Regular Council Meeting City of Haven

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION HELD AT 120 S. KANSAS AVENUE WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT SANDRA WILLIAMS. THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WERE PRESENT:

Council Members: Christopher Scott, Sandra Williams, Mark Robinson, Adam Wright (at 7:29 PM).

Absent: Kylie Rush, Austin Borden.

Others: City Clerk Leslie Atherton, Public Works Director Chad Swartz, City Attorney Andrew Foulston, Ciara Powers, Colton Chesnut, Dean Chesnut, Ann Chesnut, Kyran Crist (at 7:03 PM).

Revisions to Agenda

None.

Public Comment

Dean Chesnut, owner of 139 S. Kansas, spoke during public comment time. He expressed his thanks for Council's authorization of the tree trimming expenditure and described it as "money well-spent." Chesnut further commented that it seems like there's an executive session on the pool matter every meeting; he suggested the Council get together to inform the public on the progress of the pool project.

Minutes

Robinson moved to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2023, meeting. Scott seconded, and the motion passed.

Accounts Payable

Robinson moved and Scott seconded to approve accounts payable, totaling \$226,125.96. Motion passed unanimously.

City Clerk, Leslie Atherton:

Consider Resolution in Support of Moderate-Income Housing Grant Application

Scott moved and Williams seconded to adopt Resolution 402 in support of the City's application for Moderate Income Housing Grant, listing dedication of \$274,992.45 towards the project. Motion passed unanimously.

Consider Bid for Employee Health and Dental Insurance

Members were provided with a two-page handout regarding this item, showing renewal rates. Dental insurance rates will decrease by three percent, while health insurance rates will increase by thirteen percent. Overall, at current employer-contribution percentages, with those changes, the City could expect an increase of almost twelve percent in health and dental insurance expenses. Due to increasing insurance rates, Atherton suggested the Council consider increasing the amount employees must contribute to their insurance. Currently, employees opting for just single coverage are not required to contribute. Employees opting for anything other than single coverage are required to contribute 2% of their premium. Atherton suggested changing the policy to requiring all employees opting for health and dental insurance to contribute 4% of their premium. This would still mean that employees would pay less than \$100 each monthly for excellent health and dental insurance.

Williams moved to approve the new contribution rate / policy as well as the renewal with BlueCross BlueShield of Kansas for health and dental insurance as presented. Scott seconded, and the motion passed with three "yes" votes.



Consider K96 Corridor Development Association Membership Renewal (\$2,000)

Williams moved and Robinson seconded to approve renewal of the City's membership with K96 Corridor Development Association, not to exceed \$2,000. Motion passed unanimously.

Consider 2023 Burn Resolution from Reno County

After brief discussion with City Attorney Andrew Foulston, Robinson moved and Scott seconded to adopt Ordinance 714, giving Reno County Sheriff's Office authority to enforce any violations of the County's burn resolution within Haven City limits. Motion carried.

Public Works

Updates

Swartz provided the following updates:

- Every Haven Public Works employee is now a licensed CDL holder. Cheers were heard.
- Subsurface Solutions has been implemented for mapping and work order entry / tracking.
- Asplundh is in town doing tree-trimming. One electric service line was damaged last week during tree trimming; Asplundh hired an electrician to remedy the situation.
- Scott thanked Swartz for the list of properties with junk, overgrowth, questionable structures and inquired about next steps. City Attorney Andrew Foulston hopes to have letters out in the next few days.

Consider Expenditure for Wire (\$2,786.27 plus tax)

Members were provided with a quote from Border States for 1,800' of wire, totaling \$2,786.27 plus tax. It was noted that \$5,000 is budgeted for wire in 2023. Williams moved and Scott seconded to approve the purchase as presented, not to exceed \$3,000. Motion passed three to zero.

Chief of Police

Consider Expenditure for Police Radios

City Clerk, Leslie Atherton, presented this agenda item in Chief Schaffer's absence. Members were provided with Quote-2028122 from Motorola Solutions for five handheld radios for the Police Department, totaling \$16,464.77. The 2023 budget shows \$20,000 available for the expenditure in the Equipment Fund. Williams moved and Scott seconded to approve the expenditure as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Updates

None; Chief Schaffer was absent.

Executive Session

At 7:24 PM, Robinson moved that the Council recess into executive session pursuant to the attorney-client privilege exception to discuss the pool matter with City Attorney Andrew Foulston, City Clerk Leslie Atherton, and Public Works Director Chad Swartz, present, the open meeting to resume at 7:36 PM in Council Chambers. Williams seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. (Mayor Wright arrived at 7:29 PM.)

At 7:36 PM, regular session resumed with no action taken during executive session.

Council Concerns

Robinson commented about the trash in the First Street ditch near Kwik Shop. Scott said there was a lot of trash in front of National Modular Manufacturing on Industrial as well. Williams said these concerns would make a good community service project for a group.

Agenda Planning Items listed for February 20, 2023, were read aloud.



Adjournment

At 7:39 PM, adjournment was unanimously approved after motion from Robinson and second from Scott.

/s/

Adam Wright, Mayor

Attest:

/s/

Leslie Atherton, City Clerk