

**Longton City Council Meeting**

**Approved Minutes**

April 9, 2013 – 7PM

**Regular Meeting:**

Vice- Mayor Mary Love opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

Council members present: Sharon Ferguson, Mark Ashenfelter and Jason Clatt.

Absent: Mayor Fielder and Councilman Justin Corle.

Also present: Ricky Teed; *Barlett & West*, Kimber Dupuis, Hank Edwards, Joe Love and Lotus McDow.

**Minutes:** M.Ashenfelter made a motion to accept the March regular meeting minute as presented.

S.Ferguson seconded. Carried 4-0.

**Bills:** S.Ferguson made a motion to accept the March paid bills and the April bills to be paid, as presented. M.Love seconded. Carried 4-0.

**Public Forum:** None

**Ricky Teed; Bartlett & West:** Reports received on the concrete pressure on the water tower pad were good. Work should start back up on the tower and the water line in a couple of weeks. Council decided on the paint scheme for the new water tower. It was decided to have it painted tank white, with a black stripe under the bowl, and orange script lettering with black outline - if the extra fee for the script lettering was not in the budget, then the council will accept block lettering. Ricky will check out the cost and get back with the City.

J. Clatt made a motion to pay bill presented by Phoenix Fabricator – payment #1 for construction of the new water tower. S.Ferguson seconded. Carried 4-0.

**Unsafe Structure:** M.Ashenfelter made a motion to update and adopt an ordinance empowering the Governing Body to cause the repair or removal of unsafe or dangerous structure. J.Clatt seconded. Carried 4-0. After ordinance is in effect a notice will be sent to owner of structure located at 504 Kansas.

**Fire Department Report:** Kimber related to the council that the department will need to update fire codes. Council would like for the City Scene remind citizens to support our local volunteer fire department in their efforts in building a new fire station.

**Police Department:** Joe reported he received a few calls for dogs running loose.

**Water – Sewer - Street Report:**

Lotus reported the new water rates will not take effect until the bills due in June. Our attorney was on vacation and the Ordinance did not get published in a timely manner.

Lotus reported to the council a utility customer was not happy with the city's late fee schedule and asked if changes could be made. The council agreed to leave schedule as is.

Hank requested allowing James Hernandez to start mowing again and assist Hank with other summer duties around the city. S.Ferguson made to motion to have James help Hank. M.Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 4-0.

**Fair Housing Month:** M.Ashenfelter made a motion to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month. J.Clatt seconded. Carried 4-0.

**Other Business:** Council discussed the upcoming citywide cleanup. Sharon asked Hank to let her know what jobs he had for kids to do.

Council received a Thank you letter from the EV Moon buggy team.

**Meeting Adjourned:** M.Ashenfelter made a motion to adjourn. M.Love seconded. Carried 4-0.

*Minutes taken by Lotus McDow*