

Longton City Council Meeting

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MAY 8, 2012 – 7PM

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Mayor Steve Fielder opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

Council members present: Mark Ashenfelter, Justin Corle and Jason Clatt. Sharon Ferguson and Mary Love attended later.

Also present: Robert & Jennifer Walker, Kimber Dupuis, Adam Berthot; *Boy Scouts of America* and Lotus McDow. Joe Love attended later.

Minutes: J. Corle made a motion to accept the March regular meeting minutes as presented. M. Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 3-0.

Bills: M. Ashenfelter made a motion to accept the March and April paid bills and the May bills to be paid, as presented. J. Clatt seconded. Carried 3-0.

Public Forum: A citizen asked who authorized the painting of a fire zone at 5th & Kansas. Mayor Fielder explained that it was done during the EV Appreciation Day and no one authorized the fire zone, but we all appreciate the hard work and effort the kids did cleaning and painting the crosswalk.

Fire Department Report: Adam Berthot – Boy Scouts of America, presented to the council a program available for the Longton Fire Department to hold a recruitment program for young adults interested in fire safety. J. Corle made the motion for Longton to join in the program. M. Love seconded. Carried 5-0. Kimber told the council the department had two hand-held radios that need to be repaired.

Kimber updated the work being done to Brighton Hall to get it ready to be torn down. Due to the instability of the building the council told Kimber not to go into the building anymore.

Kimber requested permission to send 7 volunteers to Parsons for the annual fire training on May 31 – June 2.

S. Ferguson made a motion to pay the registration fee, mileage (up to two vehicles) and one meal per day per volunteer during the training. M. Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 5-0.

S. Ferguson made a motion to sell the radio tower and air conditioner unit from B. Hall. M. Love seconded. Carried 5-0.

Water – Sewer - Street Report: Council decided to keep the Skagg mower for a back-up. J. Corle made a motion for Hank to purchase an electric rod for sewer lines. M. Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 5-0. Before ordering the equipment, council would like Hank to check out the option of a Sewer Jet Machines.

Police Dept: Officer Englebrecht had left information about a free training class in Howard. S. Ferguson made a motion for Julie to attend. M. Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 4-1. J. Clatt voting no.

Trash Contract: J. Corle made a motion to renew the 5 yr contract with Allied Waste. J. Clatt seconded. Carried 5-0.

Civil Rights / Fair Housing Policy: S. Ferguson made a motion to adopt the Civil Rights / Fair Housing Policy as read. M. Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 5-0.

City Firework Display: Council set the display show for Saturday, July 7th. J. Corle made a motion to cap the amount spent for fireworks at \$2,500. J. Clatt seconded. Carried 5-0.

Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel: M. Ashenfelter made a motion to go into executive for 20 min (per agenda line item). S. Ferguson seconded. Carried 5-0. The regular meeting resumed at 8:25pm.

Re-hire employees: J. Corle made a motion to re-hire all employees with a \$1.00 an hour raise for Hank & Lotus and a .50cent an hour raise for Julie, James H. & Joey. M. Ashenfelter seconded. Carried 5-0.

Appointments: J. Corle made the motion to re-appoint Kendria Schnug-city treasurer; Larry Barnett- judge; Jeff Chubb – attorney; Mary Love- vice mayor; Mack Kill – fire chief and Jason Clatt – weed officer. The department heads are; park & rec – J. Corle; streets & alley – S. Ferguson; water & sewer – M. Ashenfelter; fire department – M. Love; library – Steve Fielder. M. Love seconded the motion. Carried 5-0.

Other Business: The discussion about expanding the city's basketball court will be tabled till next month.

The city received a letter from the Lady Lions Basketball Team requesting a donation to help with expenses for this summers' basketball camp. They offered to work for the donation. M. Ashenfelter made a motion to have the team paint the bleachers at the city ball field and give the team a donation of \$400.00. J. Corle seconded. Carried 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned: J. Corle made a motion to adjourn. J. Clatt seconded. Carried 5-0.

