

City of Clearwater, Kansas
Sedgwick County
City Council Meeting - **MINUTES**
January 26, 2021
Clearwater City Hall – Council Chambers
129 E. Ross Avenue Clearwater, KS 67026

1. Call to Order/ Invocation and Flag Salute

Mayor Burt Ussery called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed the invocation and flag salute.

2. Roll Call

The City Clerk called the roll to confirm the presence of a quorum. The following members were present: Mayor Burt Ussery, Councilmembers; Shirley Palmer-Witt (phone), Chad Pike, Chris Griffin and Justin Shore were present.

The following staff members were present:

Ron Marsh, City Administrator, Courtney Zollinger, City Clerk, Cole Hollis, Chadd Posch, Kirk Ives, Jared Dinwiddie, Justin Patrick.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Ussery asked if there were any modifications to the agenda. Marsh stated no. Mayor Ussery called for a motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

Motion: Shore moved, **Pike** seconded to accept the agenda as presented. Voted and passed unanimously.

4. Appointment of new Councilmember & Oath of Office

Mayor Ussery informed council he would like to appoint Crystal Walter to the council.

Motion: Shore moved, **Pike** seconded to approve the appointment of Crystal Walter. Voted and passed unanimously.

Zollinger administered the Oath of Office to Crystal Walter. Crystal then took her place at the council seat.

5. Public Forum

Sara Lopez, new Sedgwick County Commissioner, introduced herself and asked if there was anything she could take back to the Commission on behalf of the City.

Griffin stated he would like to see Clearwater Road patrolled by the Sherriff's department.

Lopez stated she is looking for people to serve on a Citizen Advisory Board so if anyone is interested please contact her.

Mike Snyder, 200 S Grant, (phone) addressed council about the spending and taxes in Clearwater. He voiced that he felt the raising of taxes are unfair and it is becoming too expensive to live in town.

6. Approve Consent Agenda

Mayor Ussery asked if there was any question on the consent agenda and if not asked for a motion to approve.

1/12/21 Minutes
Claims and Warrants
Resolution 02-2021 Housing Incentives

Motion: *Shore* moved, *Walter* seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voted and passed unanimously.

7. Staff Reports

- a. Clerks Office – Courtney Zollinger – Council had no questions.
- b. Fire Department –Jared Dinwiddie –Griffin inquired about Sedgwick County EMS and their response times. Dinwiddie reported that the rapid response vehicle that has a paramedic staffed is on scene within 3 minutes, but the ambulance is still 17 minutes out. Griffin stated the report was unclear on the response times and asked if Dinwiddie could better identify the vehicles and their response times in future reports. Council had no questions.
- c. Police Department – Kirk Ives – Council had no questions.
- d. Park – Chadd Posch – Council had no questions.
- e. Public Works – Cole Hollis – Council had no questions.

8. Business

a. Certified Engineering Street Inventory and Street Improvement Recommendations

Harlon Foraker and Logan Mills gave the presentation. The inspection procedure: drive street, fill out inspection form, identify pavement failures, and take pictures. Mills stated that core samples are scheduled to be taken of the streets to get a better idea of their state.

Within the study CED labeled each street either:

- Red (Poor) - Paved streets with many cracks and/or potholes, a poor cross-slope with poor drainage conditions, indications of a failing subgrade, and/or poor pavement that will contribute to the continued degradation of the subgrade, rendering surface treatments non-economical. Full depth reconstruction improvements including subgrade treatment and full depth asphalt pavement will be recommended for streets in this category.
- Yellow (Fair) - Paved streets with few repairable cracks, a sufficient cross -slope, no indications of failing subgrade, and sufficient pavement that can be improved with minimal corrective measures to prevent water from damaging the subgrade. Preventative maintenance improvements or micro surfacing or mill and overlay of existing asphalt surfacing will be recommended for streets in this category.
- Green (Good) - Streets that have pavement with no or few small cracks, a good cross-slope with good drainage conditions, a wearing surface providing good tire friction, no indication of subgrade failure, and pavement good enough to prevent water from damaging the subgrade. The recommended streets in this category will be a surface seal as a preventative or preservation treatment.

The maintenance options are as follows:

- Crack seal - Should be performed Yearly in Fall or Spring when Cracks are in the “middle” of their opening range. Most City Maintenance Departments Perform This Activity. Goal - Keep Water Out!!
- Rejuvenating Seals - Test the product out on one block of street before you do the entire town. Mills stated personally doesn’t have a lot of knowledge about them.
- Pavement Preservation – Micro surfacing: Polymer is Added. Applying on shady streets isn’t a problem. Slurry Seal: Older Method (Not performed by Wichita or Sedg. Co.). Chip Seal: Public Doesn’t Like look of it. More rough. Rocks get kicked Up.
- Mill and Overlay – street elevation will stay the same

Probable cost for good streets would be \$1.00 - \$3.00 per square yard. For Fair streets \$15.00 per square

yard and for Poor streets \$40.00 per square yard.

Marsh stated after the core sampling has been completed staff will be able to identify a maintenance schedule and bring options back to council.

9. Administrators Report

- I am in process of setting up a joint meeting between the City Council, School Board and Recreation Commission.
- Approved an upgrade to the tool storage boxes for the Fire Department Brush Truck and the installation of a charger for the wireless headset. The boxes will be larger with easier to operate doors and the charger will prevent draining the battery. The total additional cost is \$1245.00.
- Park Glen Lift Station work is scheduled to begin February 16th.
- Working with Parks and TruGreen Commercial Landscaping to come up with a turf maintenance program for the athletic fields.

10. Governing Body Comments

Griffin had nothing to report.

Palmer-Witt had nothing to report.

Shore welcomed Crystal Walter.

Walter had nothing to report

Pike had nothing to report.

Ussery explained that he and the Superintendent of schools have been having monthly meetings and the Clearwater Recreation Commission has come up as a topic. They both thought it would be good to have a joint meeting to see what the Rec's short term and long-term plans. Ussery also explained he and Marsh have met with the Park Glen HOA and they voiced again they do not like the new Yvonne Drive as an access point for everyone to use. They believe it will encourage people to drive through the neighborhood and make the residential road dangerous.

11. Executive Session: K.S.A. 75-4319(b) For the preliminary discussion of the acquisition of real property

MOTION: *Shore* moved; *Pike* seconded to recess into executive session to discuss the acquisition of real estate to include the City Attorney and the City Administrator. The open meeting will reconvene in the City Council Chamber at 7:50 p.m. Voted and passed unanimously.

Mayor Ussery called the meeting back to order at 7:50 and stated there was no action taken in executive session.

12. Adjournment

With no further discussion Mayor Ussery called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: *Walter* moved; *Shore* seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voted and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

CERTIFICATE

State of Kansas }
County of Sedgwick }
City of Clearwater }

I, Courtney Zollinger, City Clerk of the City of Clearwater, Sedgwick County, Kansas, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the January 26, 2021 City Council meeting.

Given under my hand and official seal of the City of Clearwater, Kansas, this 9th day of February 2021

Courtney Zollinger, City Clerk