

CITY OF CLEARWATER, SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

MAY 28, 2013

The regular meeting of the City of Clearwater, Sedgwick County, Kansas, City Council was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., in the Clearwater City Council Chamber, City Hall, 129 E. Ross Avenue, Clearwater, Kansas.

The following members were present: Mike York, Mayor; Jim Whitney, Paul G. Clark, Chris Griffin, Burt Ussery; Council Members. Council Member Laura Papish was absent. The following staff members were present: Kent Brown, City Administrator; Carol Reitberger, Deputy City Clerk; Janet Amerine, City Attorney. Others present at the meeting were: Marvin & Mary Schauf, Clearwater Fire Department; Donald Schauf, EVS Director; Gene Garcia, Police Chief; Ernie Misak, Public Works Director; Pamela Riggs, Senior Center Director; Kristen Zimmerman, WAMPO; Andy Jacobs, Sherri Thomas; Fall Festival Committee; Paul Rhodes, Times Sentinel Newspapers and Brad Goul, citizen.

Mayor York called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. York gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll to confirm the presence of a quorum.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2013

MOTION: Council Member Jim Whitney made a motion to approve the minutes of the 5-14-13 City Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Burt Ussery and passed unanimously.

2. Consent Agenda

There were no items on the consent agenda.

3. Mayor's Recommendations

Mayor Mike York made the following recommendations:

1. Accept Reclassification of Full-Time Clearwater Police Officer Darrell Haynes to Part-Time.
2. Accept Resignation of Recreation Commission Board Member David Buck.

The above resignations were accepted with Council consensus.

4. Public Forum

Brad Goul 201 N. Byers, addressed the Council about cleaning up the railroad and the drainage ditch by his home. Goul has been working to make it look better. There is drainage problem when it rains. The area is between Tracy and Grant.

5. Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) Fiscal Agreement and Redesignation Agreement for Cooperative Transportation Planning 2013

Kristin Zimmerman, WAMPO, introduced herself and reviewed new agreements. These are required in all metro areas with more than a 50,000 population. WAMPO writes long and short range transportation planning. It is designed to plan and prioritize transportation system improvements. Council Member Burt Ussery asked about projects in Clearwater. Zimmerman stated there are no projects in Clearwater at this time. The projects that WAMPO is involved in are all related to transportation. Those projects could include traffic signals, roads, pedestrian and bicycle paths and safety programs. The major roads in Clearwater are county roads. Zimmerman estimated that the cost for Clearwater to be a member in "Good Standing" would cost \$200 - \$400 a year. The annual assessment \$50,000 split is 40% Sedgwick County, 40% Wichita and 20% split among the other cities. It was discussed that Zimmerman could come back when more cities have accepted. Payment will be due in January. The actual budget is mid-November. Zimmerman confirmed some cities have already signed up but will have a better number as the year goes on. There was consensus to table this topic until more information is provided.

6. Review State and Carnival Location, Parade Route for Fall Festival Events

Andy Jacobs, Fall Festival President made a few requests to the city for Fall Festival September 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th. Jacobs requested use of the park shelter gazebo, Aquatic Center parking lot, City Park and other facilities to be used for activities and vendors. Jacobs would also to request blocking off the streets for the parade on Saturday morning. Jacobs also requested that the carnival be set up on Ross Street again if the city park would be muddy. Jacobs stated that the Police Department has been notified about the road closures needed during this time. There was some discussion about having a tractor pull at the business park but it was decided to have the tractor pull at the Sports Complex Saturday afternoon.

7. Fireworks Display Agreement

City Administrator Kent Brown asked to table this Tab since Brown has not received the agreement yet.

8. Application to Sell Fireworks at 801 E. Ross

City Administrator Kent Brown asked to table this tab since the City has not yet received the fireworks application.

9. Request to Replace Police Vehicle

Police Chief Gene Garcia stated that there is a budget item for 2013 for the replacement of two vehicles for the Police Department. The current Police truck is going to be transferred to the City Maintenance as has been the practice. Chief Garcia stated that a 4-wheel drive will be the replacement request. The second replacement vehicle is a basic patrol unit. The department recommends authorization to proceed with acquiring the Chevrolet Pickup and Chevrolet Tahoe as being the best values.

MOTION: Council Member Jim Whitney made a motion to authorize replacing the police vehicle. Council Member Chris Griffin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Executive Session - Consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship

MOTION: At 7:55 p.m., Council Member Jim Whitney made a motion to enter into executive session for Consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship for 10 minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Clark and passed unanimously.

At 8:55 p.m., Council returned to regular session with Council Member Burt Ussery making a motion to enter into executive session for Consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship for another 10 minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Clark.

City Attorney Janet Amerine left the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

11. Department Head Budget Requests

Public Works Director, Ernie Misak reviewed his budget requests.

- Street Signage
- Replace New Holland Mower
- Ground seeding and Irrigation
- Hot water Heater at Pool/Repaint Pool
- Purchase new Chlorinators for Wells
- Vehicle Repairs

- Replace Land pride Mower

Senior Center Director, Pamela Riggs reviewed her budget requests.

- Storage space for tables that are now stored in the hallway
- Storage space for the front area extra chairs that are stored in the main room
- More shelving for the current closet
- Outside storage shed that could be built on the northwest corner of the existing building

Senior Center Director Pamela Riggs reviewed her budget request for the upcoming year. Riggs lowered the amount needed for postage because “The Scoop” is no longer mailed to individual residents but is emailed to individuals and hard copies are taken to businesses in town. Riggs is also requesting some additional storage space because the back room and the current closet are full of items. The tables are now stored in the hallway and the extra stacks of chairs are stored in the main room of the senior center. A storage shed being built on the northwest corner of the Senior Center was also discussed. There was a short discussion about building a storm shelter near the Senior Center. The storm shelter would be for the community to use.

12. Department Head Reports

Senior Center Director Pamela Riggs also reported on the new things at the Senior Center. The Center will start a coffee hour in the near future that will begin at 8:00 a.m. The other new thing is Riggs has been offering some computer tutoring. Riggs has several people that come once a week to learn some new computer skills.

Fire Chief, Marvin Schauf reported to the Council that the new radios have been installed. The storm shelter leaks water at the threshold of the door. There was a brief discussion about bring pets to the storm shelter. A sign will be posted that states no pets as there were several complaints during the last storm. There were 35 at the storm shelter at the last storm. The Fire Department will be checking hydrants in the next week.

Police Chief Gene Garcia reported to the Council that Officer Rebekah Schauf went to Topeka to purchase a piece of the Monument for fallen officers that was for sale. The piece that referred to the Clearwater Officer Robert J. Hammers 1934 was purchased. There was an accident at the crosswalk by Chisholm Ridge and charges are pending in Municipal Court. The injuries of the pedestrian were minor. A few letters were sent to residents of Clearwater about cars in yards. A resident can leave a trailer in the streets up to 24 hours if work is being done on the home.

13. Committee Reports

No meeting minutes were distributed in the Council Packets. The following

committees are scheduled to meet and are open to the public to attend:

Planning Commission: Meeting scheduled for 6-04-13

Park Commission: Meeting scheduled for 6-17-13

14. Claims & Warrants

City Administrator Kent Brown presented the claims and warrants as of 5-24-13 for \$19,619.15. Since the Council books went out on Friday several other bills have come in to the City. The Memo from Deputy City Clerk added \$131,354.71 with the majority of that being for health insurance and the street project recently completed by APAC of Kansas. The total claims and warrants would be \$150,973.86.

MOTION: After discussion, Council Member Burt Ussery moved to authorize payment of the claims and warrants for \$150,973.86. The motion was seconded by Council Member Paul Clark and passed unanimously.

15. Old Business

Council Member Jim Whitney reported the house at 410 S. Third did mow the yard this week but nothing had been done to the hedge that is encroaching on traffic. City Administrator thinks the city should take care of it and mail the bill to the bank that is in charge of the home. The next door neighbor is upset about the hedge on their property as well.

City Administrator sent a letter to the property in Chisholm Ridge and it came back. A new address was located and land owner will take care of mowing soon.

Council Member Jim Whitney stated that the alley on Nancy between Lee and Gorin needs repair.

City Administrator Kent Brown reported that Andale Ready Mix would like to give a short presentation to the Council on how the product and flowable fill process on dirt roads will for the dirt roads in Clearwater.

16. Staff Reports

Deputy City Clerk Carol Reitberger had nothing to report.

City Administrator Kent Brown stated that before the next Council meeting there will be a short tour at 5:00 p.m.

17. Council Reports

Council Member Burt Ussery had nothing to report.

Council Member Paul G. Clark had nothing to report

Council Member Jim Whitney reported that he has had 3 complaints on 250 N. Byers. The house is abandoned and there are 2 old sheds that need to be removed.

Council Member Chris Griffin had nothing to report.

Mayor Mike York had nothing to report.

18. Adjournment

MOTION: Being no further discussion to come before the Council, Council Member Jim Whitney moved for adjournment. The motion was seconded by Council Member Burt Ussery and passed unanimously.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

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

I, Carol Reitberger, Deputy 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 _____, 2013 City Council meeting.

Given under my hand and official seal of the City of Clearwater, this __th day of _____, 2013.

Liza Donabauer, City Clerk