

REGULAR MEETING CITY COUNCIL

July 18th, 2022 6:30 p.m.

Council met in regular session with Mayor Joshua Elliott presiding. Roll call was taken, and the following members were present: Davis, Ranes, Butts, Patterson, Ellison, and Wood. Councilmembers Rains were not present. City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire Chief and Chief of Police were present along with several guests.

Flag Salute

Invocation was given by Mayor Joshua Elliotta

Council reviewed the agenda motion was made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to accept agenda with the following additions: **OLD BUSINESS:** Updates on following items: (I) Status city crew; (2) Status of mosquito spraying equipment; (3) Status on light poles & Evergy Schedule; (4) Status of USDA Grant for cop cars; (5) Status of Caney Heights Pump; (6) NEW **BUSINESS:** (6) Contract for 12 in water line: (7) Revenue neutral rate for 2023 Budget; (8) Proposal ordinance for Drones within the city. 6-0 Motion Carried

The following items were on the consent agenda: Motion made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to approve consent agenda. 7-0 Motion Carried

- I. Review and Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes: June 20, 2022
- 2. Review and Approve Special Meeting Minutes: June 27, 2022
- 3. Review and Approve Bills and Payroll in the amount of: \$307,206.35
 - A. Expenditures: Main Street Auto: \$459.47 Motion made by Ellison; seconded by Patterson to approve 6-0(A. Elliott Abstained) Motion Carried
 - 8. Remaining Expenditures Paid: \$133,986.34
 - C. AWG Expenditures: \$122,329.36
 - D. Payroll 06/24/2022/2022: \$54,211,95
 - E. Payroll 07/08/2022; \$59,219.23
 - F. Financial reports dated 06/30/2022
 - a. Treasurers Report
 - b. Revenue Report
 - c. Expenditure Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public Comments were heard

1. Rudy Taylor: Expressed disappointment on decision of not renewing City Administrator Contract. Supports the City Council on their future search for a new City Administrator.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Status of the City Crew- 2 positions will be opening soon with starting wage between 14.50-17.75 per hour
- 2. Status of the Mosquito Spraying Equipment- The equipment is not fixed yet, due to city crew being tied up on water line repairs.
- 3. Status of the Light Poles & Evergy Schedule-Fred received an email from Kari, no update on status and location of the pole. Wants to confirm that the City wants to take over old poles since Evergy has expressed they at their term of their life. Will be checking with Insurance on liabilities of taking on the responsibility of old light poles.
- 4. Status of USDA Grant for Cop Cars- No update on status
- 5. Status of Caney Heights Pump- Engineer had to switch gears dues to the 12 in water line. Caney Heights Pump is currently on hold, but not forgotten.

NEW BUSINESS:

- I. Presentation of General Obligation Bonds Series 2022 A & 2022 B: Presented by Garth Herrmann from Gilmore & Bell P.C. Motion was made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to allow the mayor to sign the documents pertaining to the General Obligation Bonds 7-0 Motion Carried
- 2. Proposed Resolution: A Resolution of the City of Caney, KS, amending resolution no. 1402 which authorized payment of the cost of improvements to the city sewer system. Motion was made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to approve. 7-0 Motion Carried
- 3. Proposed Resolution: A Resolution authorizing and directing the issuance, sale and delivery of general obligation bonds, series 2022-A, and General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022-B, of the City of Caney, KS; Providing for the Levy and Collection of an Annual Tax for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on said bonds as they become due: making certain covenants and agreements to provide for the payment and security thereof; and Authorizing certain other documents and actions connected therewith. Motion was made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to approve. 7-0 Motion Carried

Resolution was given No. 1413

- 4. Proposed Ordinance: An Ordinance Authorizing and providing for the issuance of General Obligations Bonds, Series 2022-A, and General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022-B, of the City of Caney, KS; Providing for the levy and collection of an annual tax for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on said bonds as they become due; Authorizing certain other documents and actions connected therewith; And making certain covenants with respect hereto: Motion made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to approve; Roll Call Vote: Ranes: Yay, Ellison: Yay, Butts: Yay, Patterson: Yay, Wood: Yay, Elliott: Yay and Davis: Yay. 7-0 Motion Carried
- 5. Large Rocks at City Landfill: Michael Freisberg would like permission to take some of the large rocks at the City landfill to backfill in washout places on his property. Motion made by Ellison; seconded by Elliot to allow Mr. Freisberg to take some large rocks from City Landfill. 7-0 Motion Carried
- 6. Contract for 12" Water Line: Contract is for Engineering Services in the total amount of \$45,500. The Probable Cost Estimate had the engineering fees included \$310,105 to move the 12" line off a current private property to another property on the east of the current location. Cost will be reimbursed by ARPA Funds from Montgomery County. Motion made by Patterson; seconded by Ranes to authorize Mayor to sign Engineering Contract for the 12" water line project. 7-0 Motion Carried
- 7. Notice of Revenue Neutrals Rate for 2023 Budget: Requesting to put the Levy Mills at 59.899 like it was last year, and it will give us extra time to look budget more in depth. Motion was made by Patterson; seconded by Wood to authorize the Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate for 2023 Budget. 7-0 Motion Carried
- 8. Drone Ordinance: Council Member received complaints about drones flying over property. Research has been done and City of Prairie City has a basic ordinance that prevents it. Motion was made by Butts; Seconded by Ellison to look into Drone Ordinance and take to Paul Kritz.

City Administrator Update:

- Resolution of Condemnation will be presented as soon as possible for 302 S. Spring, the house on 7th street and pine. Motion Made by Patterson and Seconded by Elliott to Move forward with the Resolution of Condemnation. 7-0 Motion Carried
- Neighborhood Revitalization: Motion made by Ellison and Wood seconded to Approve Resolution for Neighborhood Revitalization. 7-0 Motion Carried

Police Department Updates:

- Retirement Party for Steve Berry on 7.29.22 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Three New EMTS on board- Melissa, Jackie and Kathryn.
- One Officer started Academy and Melissa Simmons starts DARE training.
- Requesting to increase USDA grant to \$25,000 to allow the purchase of 2 new patrol vehicles.

Fire Department Updates:

- Request for a new reporting system for the fire department: Cost is \$395 per year. Motion made by Ellison, Seconded by Wood to allow FD to purchase new reporting system. 7-0 Motion Carried
- Request to apply for Grant to purchase gear. Motion made by Wood, seconded by Patterson to allow FD to apply for Kansas Firefighter Safety Grant with 100% match for new gear. 7-0 Motion Carried

Executive Session:

- Motion made by Wood to move the City Council to include Mayor and Council to recess into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A 75-4319(b)(1). Discussion to include City Clerk Applicants. City Council will resume at 8:30 p.m., Seconded by Patterson. Motion made by Ellison, Seconded by Wood to allow Fire Department to purchase new reporting system for \$395 per year. 7-0 Motion Carried
- Motion to return to regular meeting made by Elliott, seconded by Patterson. Motion made by Ellison.
 Seconded by Wood to allow Fire Department to purchase new reporting system for \$395 per year. 7-0
 Motion Carried
- Recommendation to approve the hiring of Amber Dean as the New City Clerk with the Salary of \$50,000 per year. Motion made by Ellison to approve Hiring Amber Dean, seconded by Wood. Motion made by Ellison, Seconded by Wood to allow Fire Department to purchase new reporting system for \$395 per year. 6-1 Motion Carried

Motion made by Wood: seconded by Davis to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held at City Hall on Monday, August 15th, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

Joshua Elliott., Mayor

ATTEST:

Amber Dean, City Clerk