

The Council of the City of Wellington, Kansas, met in Regular Session on April 4, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Room, City Administration Center, with Mayor Shelley Hansel presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hansel.

The Invocation was given by Council member Jan Korte.

Council members Kip Etter, Kelly Hawley, Jan Korte, Bill Butts, and Vince Wetta were present at roll call. Council member Valentine was absent at roll call.

Members of the Staff present were City Manager Shane Shields, City Attorney Shawn DeJarnett, City Clerk/Finance Director Carol Mericle, and Public Utility Director Jason Newberry.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation included in the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Korte, moved to approve the consent agenda with the amended minutes from the special council session on March 16, 2017. Council member Butts, seconded. The motion carried.

Council member Valentine entered the meeting at 6:33 pm.

The following items were approved under the Consent Agenda.

➤ **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1) Regular Session of March 21, 2017
- 2) Work Session of March 27, 2017
- 3) Special Session of March 16, 2017 AMENDED

➤ **APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS**

- 1) Payroll Report for March 5-18, 2017 \$225,956.05
- 2) ACH Authorization Voucher #1043 for BCBS for March 15-21, 2017
- 3) ACH Authorization Voucher #1044 for BCBS for March 22-28, 2017
- 4) Claims Register for March 19-31, 2017 \$1,011,704.87

➤ **RECEIPT OF COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1) Local Retailer Sales Tax and Compensating Use Tax for February 2017
- 2) Media Release of March 22, 2017-Board of Zoning Appeals Vacancy
- 3) Media Release of March 22, 2017- Housing Authority Board Vacancy
- 4) Media Release of March 24, 2017- Special Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board Meeting, 5:30 pm, April 13, 2017
- 5) Media Release of March 27, 2017-Weed & Wild Growth Policies
- 6) Media Release of March 29, 2017- CDBG Housing Rehab Informational Meeting, 6:30 pm, April 6, 2017
- 7) Correspondence from Clark County re: Thank you to Fire Department
- 8) Street Closing Request, Chamber Chisholm Trail BBQ Cook-off, April 27-28, 2017

REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Council member Korte shared she has had a few complaints about the community not being able to hear the council members on the recorded TV meetings. She asked that everyone remember to speak loud and clearly into the microphones. Council member Valentine asked if anyone was addressing the tire issue at 721 S. C. City manager Shields was unaware of any issue at that address. He hasn't received an update from our Code Compliance department. Council member Valentine asked why Council didn't vote on a Housing Authority applicant who applied. City Clerk Mericle said no motion was made, so no vote could be taken. A new applicant has been turned in and will be voted on after the 15 days vacancy notice. Council member Butts shared that Nate Jones will be leaving Sumner Communications and taking a job

at Exploration Place. Mayor Hansel shared she participated in the Chisholm Trail proclamation signing on Saturday April 1, 2017. Throughout the remainder of the year there will be many more festivals that are using the Chisholm Trail celebration theme. She also thanked the women of the First Freewill Baptist Church for all of the prayers for the council.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

There were no reports from public officials in the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings included in the agenda.

ORDINANCES

There were no ordinances included in the agenda.

RESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A BID AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH WINFIELD MOTOR COMPANY, OF WINFIELD, KANSAS, FOR A 2017 DODGE 2500, ¾ TON, 2-WHEEL DRIVE, 4-DOOR TRUCK, FOR THE ELECTRIC PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,511.05 was introduced and considered. City Manager Shields stated this was approved in the 2017 budget. Director Jason Newberry shared this truck will be replacing the 1992 Ford Ranger that became inoperable last year and was sold last April. He told they had a 1997 Ford Ranger handed down that was in a wreck. This truck has been usable for a few years now and it is time to replace it. The truck is used to move personnel back and forth from the steam plant to the gas turbine out on the east side of town, with a trailer to haul materials back and forth from the two sites. Director Newberry said bids were sent out to three vendors and only two replied with bids. He is recommending that we accept the low bid from Winfield Motor Company for \$26,511.05. This will be the first vehicle that the plant has received since 1992. Council member Korte asked if we could go with a local company to make this purchase. Director Newberry shared the sealed bid process with the Council and stated that we only received one local bid, and the policy of accepting the low bid was followed. Council member Etter said he reached out to Countryside Motors and Koehn Motors in regards to the bids for this truck. He stated he would rather see the bid be locally chosen and keep the money in Wellington. While local vendor Countryside Motors bid is \$5,000 higher, he feels that we should chose them instead of Winfield Motors. A motion was made by Council member Etter that the city purchase the vehicle from Countryside Motors in the amount of \$31,652.57. Council member Wetta seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, those voting “AYE” were Council members Korte, Butts, Valentine, Wetta, and Etter. Those voting “NAY” was Council member Hawley. Number 5813 was assigned to this resolution.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH SUBSURFACE SOLUTIONS OF GRETNA, NEBRASKA FOR A FAULT LOCATION SYSTEM FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,327.75 was introduced and considered. City manager Shields stated this item was approved in the 2017 budget. Director Newberry shared this is a fault locator and explained how it will be used by the Electric Distribution department. At this time we have one that is extremely large and is hard to maneuver when trouble shooting problems currently. He is recommending that the Council approve the current bid. Council member Korte asked if the old one could be sold. Director Newberry said that was an option. Council member Butts made a motion to approve the resolution which would allow the city to purchase the fault location system for the Electric Distribution department in the amount of \$10,327.75. Council member Korte seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, those voting “AYE” were Council members

Valentine, Wetta, Etter, Hawley, Korte and Butts. There were no “NAY” votes. Number 5814 was assigned to this resolution.

STUDY ITEMS

No study items for discussion.

OTHER

City Manager Shields said the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Grant program will have a public information meeting on April 6th, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the SCKEDD office. Grant Administrator Casey Tillman from SCKEDD will be available for questions. He also told that the Drug and Alcohol meeting will be held on April 13, 2017 at 5:30 pm. Applications must be turned in by April 12th at 5:00 pm.

Manager Shields also reminded that the Housing Authority and Board of Zoning Appeals applications will be accepted until 5:00 pm on April 6, 2017.

He added that in the 2017 budget, \$10,000 was budgeted for 2017 for the vehicle used by the I.T. Department. The intent was to try for a federal surplus vehicle and none have been found. Director Newberry told he looked at the local car dealerships and at this point there are no vehicles that will meet the criteria they are looking for. He continued the current van that is being used is not in the best operating condition and is not very road worthy at this point. He also checked with the local used car lots as well. Nothing local has been found to this point, but they have found an acceptable vehicle at CarMax in Wichita for \$10,301. He asked Council for direction. Council member Butts asked if this could wait until the next meeting for the Council to make a decision. City Manager Shields stated that this could be used as a second travel car if it was in good enough condition. The decision was made to keep looking for a car and present back to the council the results at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council member Korte moved to recess into executive session for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship, pending litigation with the City Manager, City Attorney, and the Council for a period of 15 minutes. Council member Butts seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Council resumed at 7:15 with no binding action taken.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, motion carried.

Approved and filed this 18th day of April, 2017.

Mayor

City Clerk