HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

June 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Monday June 8, 2020.

Mayor Roy Carman called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Mayor Roy Carman led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Jeff Harrison

ROLL CALL: Council Members present were, Warren Kuhn, Adam Ricketts, Jacob Warner, Jeff Harrison, Rhonda Terry, Dallas Wright, and Brad Cotten.

Council Members absent: Greg Rogers

Mayor Carman declared a quorum present. (7/8)

Others in attendance: Mayor Roy Carman, Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, Public Works Director Casey Caudle, Police Chief Mike Watson, Fire Chief Brian Cotten, Eric Richardson and Tristen Phillips with Richardson Engineering, Bob White with Crews Assoc., and Katy Hill.

Jeff Harrison made the motion to accept the March 9, 2020 meeting minutes. Warren Kuhn seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

WATER/SEWER: Report was given by Public Works Director Casey Caudle for the months of March, April & May, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

- **Looking at the possibility of adding a sewer meter to Rineco.**

STREETS: Report was given by Casey Caudle.

- **Have been cleaning/clearing ditches & culverts**
- **Covert grant work is completed**

FIRE & RESCUE: The report for the months of March, April, and May was given by Chief Brian Cotten, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

POLICE: Report for March, April & May was given by Chief Mike Watson, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: A copy of the list of red tags given is filed with these minutes.

PLANNING: Rhonda Terry made a motion to accept the June 2, 2020 meeting minutes. Jeff Harrison seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

PARKS: Rhonda Terry made a motion to accept the March 16, 2020 meeting minutes. Brad Cotten seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance 02-2020, Applying an increase to the salary of C/R/T.
   - C/R/T Jennifer Hill with the guidance of AML, respectfully declined the increase in pay thus repealing Ordinance 02-2020.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Income and Expense statement. (March, April & May)**
   - Warren Kuhn made a motion to accept the March, April & May income & expense statements. Jacob Warner seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.
2. **2019 W/S Audit**
   - C/R/T Jennifer Hill presented the Council with a copy of the 2019 W/S Audit. Jeff Harrison made a motion to accept the 2019 Water Sewer Audit. Rhonda Terry seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.
   - C/R/T Jennifer Hill presented the Council with 3 proposals for water rate increases. Jeff Harrison made a motion to proceed with Proposal #1. Rhonda Terry seconded motion. Roll Call vote was taken. With 4 nays and 3 yays, the motion does NOT pass.
3. **2019 Legislative Audit**
   - C/R/T Jennifer Hill presented the Council with a copy of the 2019 Legislative Audit. There no findings.
   - Rhonda Terry made a motion to accept the 2019 Legislative Audit. Warren Kuhn seconded motion. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.
4. **Donated Land by Bart Ferguson**
   - Rhonda Terry made a motion to accept the donated land by Bart Ferguson. Brad Cotten seconded motion. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.
5. **Resolution 05-2020, Adopting the Water/Sewer spec book**
   - C/R/T Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 05-2020. Warren Kuhn made a motion to approve Resolution 05-2020. Rhonda Terry seconded motion. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.
6. **Business Privilege License discussion**
   - After a brief discussion, the Council would like to table this issue until a later date.
7. **Refinancing of Revenue bonds for Sewer plant**

- Eric Richardson with Richardson Engineers presented the Council with proposed bond refinancing to fund the conversion from South Plant to North Plant. Estimated cost of project is $600,000.00.
- Bob White with Crews & Associates discussed the process of refinancing the revenue series bond to fund project.
- After a brief discussion, Rhonda Terry made a motion to proceed with the refinancing of the revenue bond. Brad Cotten seconded motion. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

8. **Water Tank repairs discussion**
   - PW Director Casey Caudle expressed to the Council the need to fix the water tower located on Graham Road. Estimates for cost of project are being taken and will be brought back before the Council at a later date.
9. **Resolution 06-2020, Authorizing the Mayor to apply for grant monies**
   - C/R/T Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 06-2020. Warren Kuhn made a motion to approve Resolution 06-2020. Brad Cotten seconded motion. Roll call vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- AML Conference is August 19-21, 2020

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- No public comments

There being no further comments or questions, Warren Kuhn made the motion to adjourn. Brad Cotten seconded motion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously by yea vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hill, Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer

Roy Carman, Mayor