HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

October 11, 2021

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Monday October 11, 2021.

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

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

ROLL CALL: Council Members present were, Warren Kuhn, Adam Ricketts, Jacob Warner, Jeff Harrison, Rodney Lyman, Greg Rogers and Brad Cotten.

Members not in attendance: Dallas Wright

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

Others in attendance: Mayor Roy Carman, Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, Police Chief Jeff Ramsey, and Fire Chief Brian Cotton.

Public in attendance: Katy Hill, Jerry and Emaline Stroud, Bob Ward and Mike Krebs.

Brad Cotten made the motion to accept the September 13, 2021 meeting minutes. Jacob Warner seconded motion. The motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

1. **WATER/SEWER**
   - The report was given by C/R/T Jennifer Hill, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
   - Paul Wright has stepped down from the Public Works Director position and Nancy Duren has taken over said position.
   - Have fixed several water leaks and one sewer leak.
   - Council Member Jacob Warner questioned the amount of water that the City bought vs the amount it has have treated. Mayor Carman informed him that with all the leaks that have happened, that there has been water run-off onto the ground.

2. **STREETS**
   - The report was given by Mayor Roy Carman.
   - The Street department have repaired road cuts on Quantz.
   - A call to Cranford Construction was placed with no return call as of yet, to inquire when the Creek Road overlay will begin.

3. **FIRE & RESCUE**
   - The report was given by Fire Chief Brian Cotten, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
4. **POLICE**
   - The report was given by Police Chief Jeff Ramsey, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
5. **CODE ENFORCEMENT**
   - The report was given by Police Chief Jeff Ramsey, a copy of which is filed with these minutes
6. **PLANNING**
   - No quorum for October 5, 2021 meeting. No minutes to approve.
7. **PARKS**
   - Jeff Harrison made a motion to accept the September 27, 2021 Parks Committee meeting minutes. Brad Cotten seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Income and Expense Statements.**
   - Council member Greg Rogers inquired about the issue of purchasing new police cars. C/R/T Jennifer Hill will get some prices together for this inquiry.
   - Warren Kuhn made a motion to accept the September 2021 monthly income and expense statements. Jeff Harrison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

2. **Dyslexia Proclamation**
   - October has been named Dyslexia Awareness Month
   - Miss Gracelynn Wright was unable to attend. The awarding of this Proclamation will take place at the November 2021 meeting.

3. **Noise Ordinance discussion**
   - It has been brought to the Council's attention that the current noise Ordinance (08-2015) does not include a time frame on when violation can start or stop meaning a current 24 hour Ordinance.
   - After a brief discussion, this discussion will be tabled until the November meeting to allow for further research to be done.

4. **Resolution 12-2021, authorizing settlement of funds**

   - Officer Russell Hinsley (10/01/2017 to 03/18/2019) has filed suit against the City for time owed for K9 by accordance of the FLSA. Even though there was no written agreement for him to be a k9 officer, his dog was used in arrests. Originally Mr. Hinsley quoted the amount of $10,000 but then increased to $17,000.00. This case is set for trial in June 2022. AML has been working diligently on this & feel a settlement offer of $14,714.08 is appropriate. That's $8,437.08 in wages owed and $6,277.00 in attorney fees. If it goes to trial, the attorney fees will increase.
   - After a brief discussion, Brad Cotten made the motion to approve/pass Resolution 12-2021. Rodney Lyman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Council member Warren Kuhn announced that the Museums will be open this Saturday from 10am-2pm.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- **No comments from the public**

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. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hill, Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer

Roy Carman, Mayor

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