HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Monday September 9, 2024.

Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Jeff Harrison

Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill swore in Police Chief Eddie Tackett

ROLL CALL: Council Members present were, Dallas Wright, Jeff Harrison, Kaylee Breckling, Adam Ricketts, Mike Krebs, Greg Rogers, Micheal Baker and Brad Cotten.

Mayor Crookham declared a quorum present. (8/8)

Others in attendance: Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr., Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, Police Chief Eddie Tackett, Public Works Director Nancy Duren, Code Enforcement Officer Joe Thomas, City Attorney Ashley Clancy and Fire Chief Brian Cotten.

Public in attendance: Gary Morehead, Joel Green, Bob and Marjorie Ward, Jonathan Hope, and the ARMOR team (Dr. Kris Martin, Sandy King APRN, Sherry Burks, Tucker Martin, Russell Boyd, and Wade Carter).

Brad Cotten made the motion to accept the August 12, 2024 regular council meeting minutes and public hearing minutes. Micheal Baker seconded motion. The Motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

The ARMOR team introduced themselves and their organization and was given the blessing

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

1. **WATER/SEWER/STREETS**
   - The report was given by Public Works Director Nancy Duren, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
2. **FIRE & RESCUE**
   - The report was given by Fire Chief Brian Cotten, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
3. **POLICE**
   - The report was given by Police Chief Eddie Tackett, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
4. **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

- The report was given by Code Enforcement Officer Joe Thomas, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

5. **PLANNING COMMISSION**
   - Jerry Stroud with the Planning Commission gave a report from the September 3, 2024 Planning Commission meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
6. **PARKS**
   - The minutes for the August 15, 2024 Parks Meeting and Public Hearing were presented to the Council.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance 09-2024. An Ordinance amending Ord. 11-2023 adding a Road Cut Permit and Fee.**

   - Dallas Wright made the motion to have the third reading heading only with Adam Ricketts seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Ordinance 09-2024
   - Adam Ricketts made the motion to approve/pass Ordinance 09-2024 with Dallas Wright seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Jeff Harrison made the motion to pass the Emergency Clause with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Income and Expense statements for August 2024.**
   - Micheal Baker made the motion to approve the Income and Expense statements for August 2024 with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
2. **Resolution 17-2024. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Datamax for a copier lease.**
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 17-2024
   - Greg Rogers made the motion to approve/pass Resolution 17-2024 with Mike Krebs seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed by 7 yay votes and 1 nay vote.
3. **Resolution 18-2024. A Resolution accepting the RFQ from Halff Engineering**
   - PWD Nancy Duren explained the scoring for the RFQs
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 18-2024

- Greg Rogers made the motion to approve/pass Resolution 18-2024 with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.

4. **Ordinance 14-2024. An Ordinance rezoning the property at Vulcan and Hwy 229 from R2 to TcMx.**
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to NOT hear Ordinance 14-2024 and to decline the re-zoning of said property with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 7 yay votes and 1 abstained vote.
   - Jonathan Hope with Hope Consulting inquired as to why the rezoned was denied and was informed that the City Council had the final approval.
   - Ordinance 14-2024 is **REPEALED**
5. **Ordinance 15-2024. An Ordinance levying a tax on all real property**
   - Adam Ricketts made the motion to have the first reading heading only with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Ordinance 15-2024
   - Micheal Baker made the motion to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 15-2024 with Adam Ricketts seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Jeff Harrison made the motion to accept/pass Ordinance 15-2024 with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
6. **Ordinance 16-2024. An Ordinance amending certain wording of Ordinance 10-2024 to add that the new annexed property will be zoned C-1.**
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to have the first reading heading only with Adam Ricketts seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yea vote.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Ordinance 16-2024
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 16-2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to accept/pass Ordinance 16-2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Micheal Baker made the motion to pass the Emergency Clause of Ordinance 16-2024 with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.

7. **Resolution 19-2024. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and ARML to negotiate a settlement in the Hutto vs. City lawsuit.**
   - Adam Ricketts made a motion to add New Business item #7 to the Agenda with Michael Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 19-2024
   - Adam Ricketts made the motion to approve/pass Resolution 19-2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously by yay vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Saline County Museum Day is September 14, 2024**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- **No Public Comments**

There being no further comments or questions, Brad Cotten made the motion to adjourn. Mike Krebs seconded motion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously by yea vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hill, Recorder/Treasurer

Clyde Crookham Jr., Mayor

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