HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

December 9, 2024

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

In the absence of the Mayor, Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Jeff Harrison

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

Council Member Kaylee Breckling arrived at 7:22 pm (after business was completed)

Members not present: Adam Ricketts

Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten declared a quorum present. (6/8)

Others in attendance: Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, Police Chief Eddie Tackett, Code Enforcement Officer Joe Thomas, City Attorney Ashley Clancy and Fire Chief/Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten.

Public in attendance: Katy Hill, Jerry and Emaline Stroud, and Jason Hill

Brad Cotten made the motion to accept the Regular November 12, 2024 and the Special November 21, 2024 council meeting minutes. Micheal Baker seconded motion. The Motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

1. **WATER/SEWER/STREETS**
   - The report was given by Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, 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.
   - Fire Chief Brian Cotten, presented the Council with a new vehicle/equipment insurance quote from VIFS with a $2,000.00 savings on premium. Council gave the approval to proceed with the new insurance.

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.
   - Mr. Thomas explained that the property on Camille and Parker has been to court and the City will need to clean up the property and place a lien. Mr. Thomas will get quotes for the cleanup and present to Council.
5. **PLANNING COMMISSION**
   - The report for the December 3, 2024 Planning Commission meeting was presented to the Council, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Income and Expense statements for November 2024.**
   - The Income and Expense statements for November 2024 were presented to the council, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.
   - Greg Rogers made the motion approve the Income and Expense Statements for November 2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. The motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.

2. **Ordinance 20-2024. An Ordinance designating the newly annexed area on Hwy 67 into Ward 4.**
   - Micheal Baker 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 with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Ordinance 20-2024
   - Micheal Baker made the motion to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings with Mike Krebs seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Micheal Baker made the motion to approve/pass Ordinance 20-2024 with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Micheal Baker made the motion to approve the Emergency Clause of Ordinance 20-2024 with Brad Cotten seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.

3. **Ordinance 21-2024. An Ordinance to amend Ord 08-2024 for purpose of the Zoning of the newly annexed area.**
   - Brad Cotten made a motion to amend Ordinance 21-2024 to add "From Trace Creek Road to the West city limits; the commercial zone shall extend north from the center line of Highway 67 to the south property line of the Harmony Village Subdivision", with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to have the first reading heading only of Ordinance 21-2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Ordinance 21-2024
   - Mike Krebs made the motion to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to approve/pass Ordinance 21-2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.
   - Brad Cotten made the motion to pass the Emergency Clause of Ordinance 21-2024 with Mike Krebs seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yay votes and 2 absent votes.

4. **Resolution 27-2024. A Resolution allowing the Mayor to seek funding for the revitalization of the ballfields at the city park.**
   - Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill read the heading of Resolution 27-2024
   - After a brief discussion, Dallas Wright made the motion to approve Resolution 27-2024 with Micheal Baker seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yays and 2 absent votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten presented Council Member Jeff Harrison with a plaque for his service of 8 years.**
- **Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten presented Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill with a plaque for her service of 10 years.**
- **Council member Jeff Harrison inquired as to when the City would be removing the Fire Trucks he has allowed to be stored on his property.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- No public comments

There being no further comments or questions, Micheal Baker made the motion to adjourn. Jeff Harrison seconded motion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously by yea vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jennifer Hill, Recorder/Treasurer

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Assistant Mayor Brian Cotten

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Clyde Crookham Jr., Mayor

*** Minutes recorded and transcribed by C/R/T Jennifer Hill***