

HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 12, 2015

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at the Haskell City hall at 7:00 p.m., Monday, January 12, 2015.

Mayor Lyman led the Pledge of Allegiance: prayer was given by Rose Marie Wilkinson.

Roll Call: Aldermen present were Hal Baker, Ronnie Ballard, Roy Carman, Jennifer Hill, Ed Simmons, Rose Marie Wilkinson, Dallas Wright. Raymond Lobbs was absent. Others present were Mayor Janie Lyman, Fire Chief Brian Cotten, Police Chief Jim Bauldree, Robert Burson, Officer Kyle Vaughn and Barbara Rieben.

Mayor Lyman called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present. First item on the agenda was the swearing in of the newly elected alderman: Ronnie Ballard, Hal Baker, Roy Carman and Ed Simmons.

Mayor Lyman called for the reading of the minutes of December 22, 2014 meeting. Hal Baker made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Ballard to accept the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

WATER/SEWER The report was given by Robert Burson; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

STREETS Robert Burson and Mayor Lyman met with Engineer Vernon Williams to discuss some concerns with the sidewalk. No date was given for completion.

FIRE & RESCUE The report was given by Brian Cotton; A copy of which is filed with these minutes.

He also advised that we are still waiting on the legal group of Arkansas Health Center regarding the lease agreement.

POLICE REPORT The report was given by Jim Bauldree; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

COURT REPORT Mayor Lyman read the court report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

PARKS Robert Burson, Mayor Lyman and the former Mayor Arey made a follow through on the restrooms at the park. Robert found things he didn't like that need to be addressed. Two major fixes and the concrete was crack by one of their machines. They will be fixing the repairs. As soon as they are done we will sign off on the grant to end it so we can get started on the playground equipment. A short discussion about added more lights to the park for protection of persons and equipment. Hal Baker made the motion to look into more lighting for the city park. Ronnie Ballard seconded it.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election for Recorded Treasurer to fill the vacancy left by Janie Lyman. Ronnie Ballard made the motion to hire Dori Lyman. Jennifer Hill seconded it. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Alcohol Permit for Approval:

Mayor Lyman and City Council received a letter from Alcoholic Beverage Control Administration for the approval for Haskell Hilltop. Hal Baker made the motion; to approve the permit, Ronnie Ballard seconded. The motion was passed by a roll call vote.

Comments:

Jim Bauldree requested approval from the council of a sergeant position for the Haskell Police Department: not to add another officer as a sergeant but to make existing officer move up into that position. The Sergeant position would include a small pay increase of \$800 a year as incentive to stay on at the department. Job duties would include department vehicles, equipment, and supervision of the officers. Hal Baker made the motion to approve the request, Ronnie Ballard seconded. The motion was passed with a roll call vote.

There being no further comments or questions, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dori Lyman, Recorder

