

HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 10, 2017

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Monday, July 10, 2017.

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

ROLL CALL: Aldermen present were Jennifer Hill, Roy Carman, Jeff Harrison, Rose Marie Wilkinson, and Hal Baker. Ronnie Ballard, Dallas Wright and James Scroggins were absent. Also present was Mayor Janie Lyman, Recorder Dori Lyman, Chief Michael Hardester, Daran Robertson, Fire Chief Brian Cotten, Deanna and Tom Rogers, Rhonda Terry, Barbara Rieben, Mary Beth Kelloms, Gary and Diane Olds, Katy Hill, Andrea Warner, Tim and Marsha Viala, Rodney Lyman, Jeff and Cindy Hollaway and Jerry and Emaline Stroud.

Mayor Lyman declared a quorum present, and called for the reading of the minutes of the June 12, 2017 meeting. Roy Carman made the motion, seconded by Hal Baker, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously by ye a vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

WATER In the absence of Daran Robertson, the report was given by Mayor Janie Lyman, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. On July 11, 2017, the water will be turned off from Hill top to Dodson Creek to repair a water valve.

STREETS Continued Mowing and weed eating

FIRE & RESCUE The report was given by Chief Brian Cotton, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. ISO will be doing inspections on July 26, 2017.

POLICE The report was given by Chief Mike Hardester; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

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

CODE ENFORCEMENT Mayor Lyman gave the report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

PLANNING A copy of the minutes was provided to the Council for review; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review of Water Rates

As a guideline for the Council to make their decision regarding possible new water/sewer rates, a document showing all the current water/sewer rates and the amount of increase for 1% and 2% was provided.

After a lengthy discussion, Hal Baker made the motion not to increase the water rates, no second was made; the motion died. Jeff Harrison made the motion to increase the water/sewer rates based on the information provided for 2%, Roy Carman seconded the motion; the motion passed by a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE 02-2017 An Ordinance Providing for the Vacating of Unconstructed Streets, in the City of Haskell, Saline County, Arkansas

Jennifer Hill made the motion to have the first reading, heading only, of Ordinance 02-2017, motion was seconded by Hal Baker. Recorder Dori Lyman read the heading only of Ordinance 02-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Jennifer Hill made the motion, seconded by Rose Marie Wilkinson, to suspend the rules and waive the second and third reading of Ordinance 02-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Jennifer Hill made the motion, seconded by Rose Marie Wilkinson, to approve Ordinance 02-2017. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 06-2017 A Resolution by the City of Haskell, Arkansas Supporting Federal and State Legislation to Ensure the Proper Assessment and Collection of Sales Tax from all Internet/Online Sales thereby Creating a Fair and Free Market for all Business from which the Purchase was made.

After a brief discussion, Jennifer Hill made the motion to pass the Resolution 06-2017, Rose Marie Wilkinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Resolution 07-207 Amending 2017 Budget

After a brief discussion, Jennifer Hill made the motion to pass Resolution 07-2017, Rose Marie Wilkinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

New Conditional Use Permit Application from Gary & Diane Olds of 316 South Monroe.

Gary and Diane Olds came before the City Council asking for permission to place a 2001 double wide mobile home on their property located on South Monroe Street with stipulation that the old mobile home must be moved out within six (6) months.

They presented all the necessary paperwork, along with current pictures of the mobile home. After brief discussion, Hal Baker made the motion, seconded by Roy Carman, to approve this Conditional Use Permit. The motion passed unanimously by a yea vote.

Resignation from Rose Marie Wilkinson was tabled until the August meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jeff Holloway, who resides in Timberlake Subdivision, came before the Council to express his concern that City Ordinance 05-1995 (Curfew) is not being enforced. This Ordinance reads in part:

“It shall be unlawful for any person seventeen (17) or less years of age to remain in or upon the streets within the City of Haskell at night during the period ended 5:00 a.m. and beginning 12:00 midnight on Friday and Saturday nights, and 11:00 p.m. on all other nights”.

He is also requesting extra patrolling.

Police Chief Mike Hardester shared GPS readings showing that the night officer has been patrolling more frequently in Timberlake as was requested previously. He also advised that next month we will be hiring an additional nighttime officer.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Dori Lyman, Recorder