

Hillsboro, Kansas
December 29, 2020

1. The City Council met in special session via Zoom, due to the Corona virus pandemic, on Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. with Mayor Lou Thurston, and Council members Renee Gehring, Brent Driggers, Byron McCarty, and David Loewen participating.

2. Others Participating: Jackie Nelson, Hillsboro Free Press; Josh Boehm, City Attorney; Matt Stiles, City Administrator; and, Jan Meisinger, City Clerk.

3. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Thurston called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

5. BUDGET HEARING – AMENDING 2020 BUDGET – The special council meeting recessed and the budget hearing opened at 4:01 p.m. Three funds are being amended. Special Law expenditures increasing from \$213,496.00 to \$229,000.00; Fire Equip Replacement Fund (because of FEMA grant) expenditures increasing from \$11,050.00 to \$126,050.00; and, TIF (because of taxes paid) expenditures increasing from \$29,830.00 to \$33,830.00. No public comments were received. The budget hearing closed at 4:04 p.m. and the special council meeting resumed.

Motion was made by Council member Loewen and seconded by Council member Driggers to approve the budget amendment. Council was polled with the following vote: Council member Gehring, yes; McCarty, yes; Loewen, yes; Driggers, yes. Motion carried unanimously.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION – ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE – Motion was made by Council member Loewen and seconded by Council member Driggers to recess into executive session to discuss potential litigation, the justification of such motion is for attorney/client privilege, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting will resume at 4:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. Also present in executive session: City Attorney Josh Boehm and City Administrator Stiles. Council meeting resumed at 4:28 p.m. No action was taken.

7. BOARD APPOINTMENTS – Mayor Thurston appointed Eddie Weber to the Hillsboro City Planning Commission filling the open position. Motion was made by Council member Driggers and seconded by Council member McCarty to approve this appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Thurston appointed Connie Weber to fill an unexpired term on the CVB. Motion was made by Council member McCarty and seconded by Council member Gehring to approve this appointment. Motion carried unanimously.

The next council meeting will be January 5th at 6:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

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LOUIS THURSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JANICE K. MEISINGER, CITY CLERK