

Hillsboro, Kansas

August 2, 2022

1. The City Council met in regular session via Zoom and in person on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at 6:30pm with Mayor Lou Thurston and Council members Blake Beye, Brent Driggers and Byron McCarty participating.

Members Absent: David Loewen.

2. **Others Participating:** Andrew Kovar, City Attorney; Matt Stiles, City Administrator; Danielle Bartel, City Clerk; Jessey Hiebert, Chief of Police; Dr. David Janzen, President of Tabor College.

3. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Lou Thurston called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

VOUCHERS in the amount of \$44,954.80.

Council member Beye motioned to approve the consent agenda. Council member Driggers seconded. Motion carried.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

6. DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNUAL REPORT: CHIEF JESSEY HIEBERT, HILLSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT (HPD):

Chief Hiebert provided an overview of the department's case load and call load for the first half of 2022. He also provided a summary of Kansas Standard Offense Reports and Service Rendered Reports. He highlighted the patrol log entries and strongly encouraged Hillsboro residents to notify the police department of any suspicious activity. The Chief spoke in depth about the many ways HPD officers are proactive in the community, such as providing training and instruction, attending training, and actively participating on several local boards. He also shared of recent upgrades to equipment and vehicles. Mayor Thurston thanked Chief Hiebert for his report and spoke highly of the Hillsboro Police Department.

7. BUSINESS ITEMS:

MOU WITH TABOR COLLEGE FOR THE CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP: Administrator Stiles reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding which outlines the basic expectations for Tabor College and the City of Hillsboro to create and fund the Center for Entrepreneurship (CFE). The MOU is set for one year initially, but the vision is for this to be an ongoing partnership. Dr. David Janzen, President of Tabor College, shared his excitement and vision for the CFE to be open to students and to the community.

Council member Driggers motioned to approve the MOU with Tabor College for the Center for Entrepreneurship and authorize the Mayor to sign. Council member Beye seconded. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 1356: Administrator Stiles reviewed Ordinance 1356 which authorizes an increase in the trash and recycling rates. Council member Driggers motioned to adopt Ordinance 1356 and authorize the Mayor to sign. Council member McCarty seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION OF SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE KPWSLF APPLICATION: Administrator Stiles shared that as part of the application process to the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund (KPWSLF) for the \$1.1M forgivable loan from KDHE, the City must hold a public hearing allowing the public to comment on the application. Council member Beye motioned to set a public hearing for September 6, 2022 at 6:30pm. Council member Driggers seconded. Motion carried.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

BUDGET REVIEW: Administrator Stiles provided a draft of the 2023 budget and highlighted changes, including additional budget authority for capital improvements. He reviewed the recent mill levy history showing a fairly flat mill levy from 2022 to 2023. No Council discussion.

BOD & TSS RECOMMENDATIONS: Administrator Stiles reviewed the discussion from early 2022 regarding the city's sewer ordinance, specifically as related to BOD (Biological Oxygen Demand) & TSS (Total Suspended Solids). He noted enforcement of the current limits on BOD & TSS through a set rate structure would help the City meet the Consent Decree currently pending from KDHE. Council requested staff present an ordinance at a future meeting for consideration. Council also requested staff allow business owners to participate in the testing process.

9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Administrator Stiles reported on the following:

- Sales Tax
- Compost Grant
- Tabor College Welcome Back
- Comprehensive Plan
- Evaluations

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

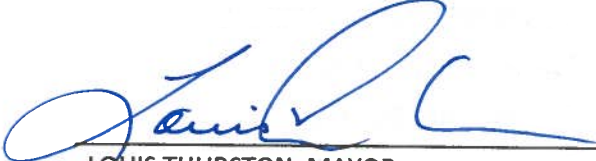
11. COUNCIL COMMENTS: Council member Beye shared he will be out the last week of December 2022.

12. ADJOURNMENT: Council meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

ATTEST:



DANIELLE BARTEL, CITY CLERK



LOUIS THURSTON, MAYOR