

Hillsboro, Kansas
January 4, 2022

1. The City Council met in regular session via Zoom and in person, on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 6:30pm with Mayor Lou Thurston and Council members Blake Beye, Brent Driggers, Renee Gehring and Byron McCarty participating. David Loewen was absent.

2. **Others Participating:** Andrew Kovar, City Attorney; Matt Stiles, City Administrator; Danielle Bartel, City Clerk.

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

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES dated December 21, 2021.

MINUTES dated December 28, 2021.

Council member McCarty motioned to approve both sets of minutes. Council member Gehring seconded. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS in the amount of \$73,000.09.

Council member Driggers motioned to approve the vouchers. Council member McCarty seconded. Motion carried.

5. OATHS OF OFFICE

City Clerk Danielle Bartel provided the Oaths of Office for Council member Anthony Blake Beye and for Mayor Louis Thurston. David Loewen was absent and will be affirmed at the next City Council meeting.

6. BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 1340 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR AN AIRBNB: Administrator Stiles shared a recommendation from the Planning Commission's December 16, 2021 meeting to approve a Conditional Use Permit allowing the property at 302-316 West 3rd Street to be used as an AirBnB. Council member Driggers motioned to approve Ordinance 1340 and authorize the Mayor to sign. Council member McCarty seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF THE 2022 LAND BANK BUDGET: Administrator Stiles stated the City Land Bank bylaws require a budget be approved by the City Council before being approved by the Land Bank. He reviewed the Land Bank's 2022 Budget.

Council member McCarty motioned to approve the proposed 2022 Land Bank budget. Council member Beye seconded. Motion carried.

Council recessed from the regular City Council meeting into a Land Bank Meeting at 6:40pm. The Land Bank meeting was prolonged due to technical difficulties. No action was taken during the time the online platform was inactive. City Council resumed the regular meeting at 6:51pm.

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION:

2022 EQUIPMENT: Administrator Stiles highlighted three pieces of equipment that staff would like to purchase in 2022. The equipment would be primarily for the Water, Sewer and Street departments and would replace the two backhoes used currently. The requested equipment includes a used excavator, a new or lightly used rubber tire backhoe and a mini-excavator.

8. 2021 YEAR IN REVIEW: Administrator Stiles reviewed the City Council's 2021 actions and highlighted other community activities throughout the year. He listed several staff members who had retired during 2021, with a combined total of 225 years of experience. Mayor Thurston highlighted the Strategic Plan noting the three components of childcare, housing and workforce were seen throughout the report.

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

- Liability Insurance Agent
- Senator Moran Visit Follow-up
- Local Government Day
- Sales Tax Collections
- New Council Member Pictures

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS: None.

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

ATTEST:



LOUIS THURSTON, MAYOR

DANIELLE BARTEL, CITY CLERK