

Hillsboro, Kansas  
June 6, 2017

1. The city council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in council chambers with Mayor Delores Dalke and Council members David Loewen, Byron McCarty, Bob Watson, and Brent Driggers present.

2. Others Present: Anthony Roy, Economic Development Director; Lou Thurston, Candidate for Mayor; Grace Huxman, Adams Brown Beran and Ball; Phyllis Zorn, Hillsboro Star Journal; Don Ratzlaff, Hillsboro Free Press; Josh Boehm, City Attorney; Larry Paine, City Administrator; and, Jan Meisinger, City Clerk.

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

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – none

**5. MINUTES** - The minutes of the 5-16-17 regular meeting were approved as distributed.

**6. VOUCHERS** – City Clerk Meisinger made a correction to the voucher listing. The invoice from American Fun Foods for \$367.69 needs to be removed from the list. That makes the new total \$128,911.90. Motion was then made by Council member McCarty and seconded by Council member Watson to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$128,911.90. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. INTRODUCTION** – City Administrator Paine introduced Anthony Roy, the city’s new economic development director. Anthony began work yesterday and was the former economic development director for Ness County. Council welcomed him to Hillsboro.

**8. 2016 AUDIT PRESENTATION** - Grace Huxman, Adams Brown Beran and Ball presented the city’s 2016 audit. There were no statutory violations or budget violations this year. She reviewed the financial statements, the management letter and the governance letter with council. After further discussion, motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Driggers to receive the 2016 audit. Motion carried unanimously.

**9. HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRACT** – The city’s Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance has increased 5.65%. The Blue Cross Blue Shield dental insurance has increased 12.79% and there was no change in the vision insurance. Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Loewen to authorize signing the new contracts which begin July 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

**10. STREET CONSTRUCTION REVIEW** – The cost to reconstruct East Grand Street, Washington to Adams, in concrete would be \$774,880.00. To reconstruct the same area with concrete paver bricks would be \$962,730.00. Both of these options include diagonal parking on the north side of Adams. City Administrator Paine said his preference would be to use bricks. The estimate to mill West Grand and do an asphalt overlay would be \$407,703.00. The estimate for the projects that will be submitted for CDBG funds this year is \$759,684.00. CDBG makes awards up to \$400,000.00 but no more than a 50/50 split. City Administrator Paine said he would like to see the city’s share of that grant application to be included in the bond project. If we were not successful in getting the grants, we would apply the “city share” amount to fully funding one of the three projects. The last project discussed was a mill and overlay on D Street. Total cost estimate \$1,011,636.00. After further discussion, council decided to bid both options on East Grand; and, make a choice at that time on which one to choose. Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Driggers to proceed with seeking bonding for D Street, the city’s possible share of the CDBG project; options A & B for East Grand; and, First Street (Adams to Wilson) West Grand (Ash to Hickory) and B Street (Lincoln to Adams in concrete). Motion carried unanimously.

**11. KPP ANNUAL REPORT** – City Administrator Paine distributed copies of the KPP annual report.

**12. BOARD APPOINTMENTS** – Deferred

**13. CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT** –

Resolution 2017-04 – There is an abandoned camper trailer at the hospital site. No one knows who it belongs to because the registered owner has been deceased for several years. City Attorney Boehm presented a resolution (No. 2017-04) to abate this nuisance. Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Loewen to approve the resolution. Council was polled with the following vote: Council member Driggers, yes; Watson, yes; McCarty, yes; Loewen, yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PBC Bonds for Pool – City Administrator Paine said there was a possibility the PBC bonds for the pool could be refinanced and paid off a couple of years sooner. Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Driggers to have City Administrator Paine check into what the refinancing cost would be. Motion carried unanimously.

Accident at Hospital – The sanitation truck hit a light pole at the new hospital, causing about \$12,000.00 damage to the truck.

Break in at the pool – There was a break in at the pool, probably late Saturday night (June 3<sup>rd</sup>). Ice cream and some money was taken (total loss cash & concessions approximately \$150.00). The investigation is ongoing.

First council meeting in July – Since the first council meeting in July is on July 4<sup>th</sup>, council changed the meeting date to Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

Executive Session – Motion was made by Council member Driggers and seconded by Council member Watson to recess into executive session at 5:07 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss trade secrets. The meeting would be scheduled to resume at 5:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. Also present in executive session: City Administrator Paine and City Attorney Boehm. At 5:22 p.m., motion was made by Council member Driggers and seconded by Council member McCarty to extend the executive session an additional 10 minutes. Motion carried unanimously. The council meeting resumed at 5:30 p.m. No action was taken.

Safety Group Dividend – The city received a check from EMC Insurance in the amount of \$15, 034.80 for a safety group dividend.

Ambulance Service – Mayor Dalke shared information with the council about the latest development with the county regarding ambulance service.

**14. Adjournment** – Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Driggers to adjourn at 5:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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DELORES DALKE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JANICE K. MEISINGER, CITY CLERK