

Hillsboro, Kansas
April 21, 2009

1. The city council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in council chambers with Mayor-elect Delores Dalke and Council members Shelby Dirks, Byron McCarty; and Council-elect Bob Watson & Council-elect Kevin Suderman present.
2. Others Present: Adam Stewart, Hillsboro Star Journal; Don Ratzlaff, Hillsboro Free Press; Dan Baldwin, City Attorney; Joe Alvarez & Mike Duerksen, Sewer Department; Mark Johnson & Kirk Nelson, Sellers Equipment; 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. **OATHS OF OFFICE** – City Clerk Jan Meisinger administered oaths of office to Mayor-elect Delores Dalke, and Council-elect Kevin Suderman & Robert Watson.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – none
6. **MINUTES** – The minutes of the 4-7-09 special meeting were approved as distributed.
7. **VOUCHERS** – Motion was made by Council member Dirks and seconded by Council member Watson to approve the vouchers in the total amount of \$184,254.98. Motion carried unanimously.
8. **SEWER CLEANING TRUCK** – Mark Johnson & Kirk Nelson, Sellers Equipment, brought a used 1992 Ford diesel sewer cleaning/vacuum truck for council to consider purchasing. The truck was previously owned by the City of Ottawa, who has purchased a new truck. The asking price is \$30,000.00, plus they are pricing a demonstrator set of nozzles set up for this truck at \$4,000.00. At 4:08 p.m., motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member McCarty to recess for 15 minutes so council members could look at the truck. Motion carried unanimously. The city council meeting resumed at 4:23 p.m. Mike Duerksen felt we were on borrowed time with the truck we now have, plus it does not have a vacuum system. The city has been paying Mayer Specialty Services approximately \$15,000.00 per year for cleaning 1/3 of the city's sewer lines. Mike felt that with this truck, city crews could clean the lines. Mayer Specialty Services has also been photographing 10% of the sewer lines each year. Mayor Dalke asked where they could see this being done in their time budget because it didn't get done before. Mike said they would gain time with the new lagoons because they will not have to haul sludge. There are other things on the want list, such as lift station repairs and relining sewer lines. A lawnmower & tractor are also needed for the lagoons. City Administrator Paine said he would send a copy of the list to council members. We will have a better idea on how much money is available at the next council meeting. Mr. Johnson agreed to hold the truck for another two weeks. The City of Tampa may be interested in our sewer cleaning truck. Item deferred until the next meeting.

9. ORDINANCE FOR ZONE CHANGE FOR NEW HOSPITAL – Motion was made by Council member Dirks and seconded by Council member McCarty to approve Ordinance No. 1176 - *AN ORDINANCE REZONING A PARCEL OF PROPERTY FROM HI (HEAVY INDUSTRIAL) TO HC (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL) AS PROVIDED FOR BY 24-1.01 OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, KANSAS.* Council was polled with the following vote: McCarty, yes; Dirks, yes; Suderman, yes; Watson, yes. Motion carried unanimously.

10. FINAL PLAT FOR HOSPITAL – deferred

11. COUNTRYSIDE FEED TITLE TRANSFER – The Industrial Revenue Bonds that were issued for Countryside Feed LLC, formerly known as United Feed LLC, have been paid off and the ownership needs to be transferred back to them. Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member McCarty to approve Resolution No. 2009-05 – *(A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, KANSAS TO COUNTRYSIDE FEED, LLC).* Council was polled with the following vote: McCarty yes; Dirks, yes; Suderman, yes; Watson, yes. Motion carried unanimously.

12. TABOR ROAD PROPOSAL – City Administrator Paine told council that Tabor College hasn't decided whether to build this road to city standards for future dedication to the city or build a private drive. Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Suderman to table this agenda item. Motion carried unanimously.

13. ENGINEER'S REPORT –

Ash Street Project – Bob Previterra, City Administrator Paine & Street Superintendent Dale Dalke have reviewed the Ash Street/Third Street project in terms of how to deal with drainage issues.

14. BOARD APPOINTMENTS – deferred

15. FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS –

Sewer Lagoon Project – The sewer lagoon project is basically finished and is in the clean-up stage.

16. ACCEPTANCE OF KEVIN SUDERMAN'S RESIGNATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION – Mayor Dalke read Kevin's letter of resignation. Motion was made by Council member Dirks and seconded by Council member Watson to accept Kevin's letter of resignation from the planning commission. Motion carried unanimously.

17. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT –

Utility Bill Write-offs – One of the items from the audit report is the write-off of old uncollected utility bills. City Administrator Paine said before we did this, he would like to try a collection agency. We have had some success from the State Set-off Program.

Governing Body Institute – The League’s Governing Body Institute will be May 8 & 9 in Topeka. City Administrator Paine encouraged the Governing Body to attend.

18. DONATION FROM ROUTE 56 CLASSIC CRUISERS – The city has received a donation (\$671.50) from the Route 56 Classic Cruisers and would like it to be used to repair the west shelter house in the park. The Car Club uses the park every year for their car show. As part of our 125th year celebration, volunteers have offered to clean up or take down playground equipment that is no longer safe in the park.

19. ADJOURNMENT – Motion was made by Council member Watson and seconded by Council member Suderman to adjourn at 5:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

DELORES DALKE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JANICE K. MEISINGER, CITY CLERK