

February 20, 2018

Russell City Council Meeting – Minutes

City Hall

Russell, KS

Mayor Mader called the City Council meeting to order at 4:30 PM with the following members in attendance: Councilmembers: Richard Cross, Long, Stoppel, Jim Cross, Hoffman, Dollison, Wagner and Peirano.

The following staff members were in attendance: City Manager Jon Quinday, City Attorney Ken Cole, Police Chief Dale Weimaster, Building Official Roger Sells, Fire Chief Shane Preston, Public Works Director Rich Krause, Electric Director Duane Banks and City Clerk Katrina Woelk.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Presentations and Public Hearings

- 1) Water Conservation Status

City Manager Quinday presented to the council the status of the City's wells and Big Creek.

Action Items

1. ROAR Donation Request for a Veteran's Mural

Council took no action and decided to continue this item to the next work study meeting.

2. Request for Non-Profit Reduction in Golf Tournament Fee – Delta Mu Sorority

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to approve the abatement of \$200 of the tournament fee for the Delta Mu Sorority golf tournament held in 2018. Councilmember Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

3. CDBG Drawdown #9 or Time Extension – S. Fossil Reconstruction Project

Councilmember Long made a motion to approve a time extension for the CDBG Fossil Street Project. Councilmember Jim Cross seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The council decided to continue the Draw Down to the next work study meeting.

4. RCACF Grant Application for Downtown Revitalization

Councilmember Stoppel made a motion to allow the City Finance office to apply for funding through RCACF and the Dane G. Hansen Foundation to pay for a Downtown Development Plan. Councilmember Jim Cross seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Annual Community Clean-up Day

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to approve the Annual Community Clean-Up Day for April 28, 2018 from 7:30 am to 8:30 am for PRIDE drop-off and 8:30 am to 12:00 pm for public drop off. Councilmember Stoppel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Water Conservation Plan Update

Councilmember Stoppel made a motion to approve the Water Conservation Plan with updates as recommended. Councilmember Jim Cross seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Building, Planning, and Zoning Vehicle

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2018 GMC 1500 Truck from James Motor Co. in the amount of \$28,391.00. Councilmember Peirano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Main Power Plant Cooling Tower Overhaul

Councilmember Long made a motion to approve the bid from Cooling Tower Depot in the amount of \$384,947. Councilmember Jim Cross seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Cooling System Water Pump Repair

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to accept the quote from Johnson Electric Motor Winding, Great Bend, KS in the amount of \$18,185. Councilmember Stoppel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Resolution 06-18 General Nuisance – 109 S. Grant

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to approve Resolution 06-18 authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 109 S. Grant Street and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance is located. Councilmember Wagner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Resolution 07-18 General Nuisance – 230 W. 5th

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to approve Resolution 07-18 authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 230 W 5th and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance is located. Councilmember Wagner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Resolution 08-18 General Nuisance – 1205 S. Main

Councilmember Stoppel made a motion to approve Resolution 08-18 authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 1205 S. Main and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance is located. Councilmember Peirano seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0 with Councilmember Richard Cross stepping out and not voting.

13. Resolution 09-18 General Nuisance – 20 N Lincoln

Councilmember Wagner made a motion to approve Resolution 09-18 authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 20 N Lincoln and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance is located. Councilmember Peirano seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Ordinance 1904 – Rezoning Recommendation

Councilmember Long made a motion to adopt the recommendation from the Planning Commission by ordinance. Councilmember Jim Cross seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0 with Councilmember Richard Cross abstaining.

15. Charter Ordinance 19 – Councilmember Elections At-Large

Mayor Mader made a motion to approve Charter Ordinance 19 providing for election of Council Members at-large rather than by wards. Councilmember Hoffman seconded the motion. The motion failed 4-5 with Councilmembers Richard Cross, Jim Cross, Stoppel, Peirano and Wagner voting no.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Long made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Peirano seconded. The motion carried 7-0 with Councilmember Jim Cross abstaining.

Public Comments

Conner Jean Peterson addressed the council about a police officer following him.

Executive Session

1) Executive Session for Matters Deemed Subject to Attorney-Client Privilege

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to go into executive session for Matters Deemed Subject to Attorney-Client Privilege to discuss contracts for 20 minutes ending at 6:10 pm and to include the City Manager, City Attorney and Public Works Director and the Council. Councilmember Stoppel Seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Jim Cross made a motion to go into executive session for Matters Deemed Subject to Attorney-Client Privilege to discuss contracts for an additional 10 minutes ending at 6:20 pm and to include the City Manager, City Attorney and Public Works Director and the Council. Councilmember Stoppel Seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken.

Adjournment

Councilmember Jim Cross made the motion to continue this meeting to reconvene at the work study session March 6. Councilmember Stoppel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



Katrina Woelk, City Clerk