

**City of Smith Center**  
**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**6:00 pm**

The City Council met in regular session with Mayor Wiehl presiding. Council members present: Dave Mace, Don Wick, Chris Cole, and Tracy Kingsbury. Absent: Adam Rentschler. Others present: Melissa Westbrook, Jessica Norris, Tabitha Owen, Brad Howland, Arloa Barnes, Rick Hileman, Jamie Marshall, Terri Jones, and Jill Conaway.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Mace, to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Wick, to approve payment of the monthly expenses. Motion carried.

**Property/Liability Insurance**

Renewal information was reviewed by the council with agent Melissa Westbrook. Two quotes were presented: renewal option 1 with all coverage under EMC; option 2 to renew with the fire department under VFIS and the remaining under EMC. An option to quote some of the structures on the policy currently covered under replacement value to actual cash value will be looked at for the following renewal year. Motion by Cole, seconded by Kingsbury to approve payment to Insurance Smart for policy coverage through VFIS and EMC effective April 1, 2019. Motion carried.

**Nex-Tech Franchise**

Jessica Norris representing Nex-Tech, outlined the terms of the current franchise ordinance in place. Motion by Wick, seconded by Mace, to proceed with the successive term of five years as outlined in Ordinance 941. Motion carried.

**Swimming Pool Committee**

Arloa Barnes updated the council on the weekly meetings of the committee; additional grants submitted; information from the aquatic engineer on costs; the soup fundraiser and auction; and the status of surveys. The committee would like to set up a Go Fund Me account for a donation option. An inquiry as to the guidelines and/or ability of a municipality having an account of this nature will be made and reported back.

### **Ordinance1022**

Upon review, a motion was made by Wick, seconded by Mace to adopt Ordinance No. 1022, repealing Ordinances 803 and 909, for the sale of enhanced cereal malt beverages containing not more than 6% alcohol by volume. The ordinance will be in effect April 1, 2019. Motion carried.

### **American Red Cross**

As the American Red Cross fulfills a vital role in our community, Mayor Wiehl proclaimed March 2019 as American Red Cross Month, encouraging all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

### **Reports**

John Boden recently completed training and obtained his CDL.

Rick Hileman will research alternative vac options including an auger style and wet seal pumps that are non-suction. Councilman Wick addressed with Chief Marshall a tree hindering driver visibility on South Grant Street.

Motion by Mace, seconded by Kingsbury to adjourn at 7:03pm. Motion carried.

Attest:

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Jill Conaway, City Clerk