

Smith Center City Council Meeting Minutes

April 24th, 2023

I. Call to Order

Mayor Bryce Wiehl called the meeting to order at 6pm on Monday, April 10th, 2023, at the Srader Building.

II. Attendance

Council members: Don Wick, Chris Cole, Brady Peterson, and Tracy Kingsbury. Absent: David Mace.

Others: Kim Maudlin, Jamie Marshall, Brett Decker, Rick Hileman, Dana S Peterson, Dana J Peterson, Jerald Ratliff, Stephanie Henry, Sherry Weatherholt (6:04pm), Daniel Bennett (6:12pm), Kim Phelps (6:14pm), and Aurielle Hughes.

III. Consent Agenda

Motion by Cole, seconded by Wick, to approve the previous meeting minutes, vouchers, and receipts. Motion carried.

IV. Previous/Ongoing Business

- a) Nex-Tech Agreements-A motion was made by Kingsbury, seconded by Peterson, to install a phone line at the airport. Motion carried.
- b) Pool House-Mayor Wiehl discussed the bids for the construction of the new pool house. A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Kingsbury, to accept the bid from Billy Davis Construction. Motion carried. A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Cole, to accept the bid from Hahn Masonry. Motion carried. A motion made by Wick, seconded by Kingsbury, to accept the bid from Ken Maydew Construction. Motion carried. Hughes will notify the three awardees.
- c) Seasonal Employees- A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Peterson, to accept the application for Adrian Hawkins as a lifeguard. Motion carried.

V. New Business

- a) Golf Course Pump- A motion was made by Kingsbury, seconded by Peterson, to accept the bid from Downey Drilling for \$2,952.00 for the new pump. Motion carried.
- b) Lagoon Project- Hileman discussed the lagoon project and how land has not been purchased for this. A motion was made by Cole, seconded by Wick, to table this to the next meeting when the clerk will be able to answer the council's questions. Motion carried.

- c) Water Line Replacement- Hileman discussed the 8” line from Highway 9 to Well #7 and how the city crew can do this replacement themselves. Kingsbury inquired about how many bids were received for this project. It was decided that Hileman will get more bids and bring them back to the council.

VI. Department Reports/Committee & Board Reports

- a) Library- A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Peterson, to appoint Linda Hommon for her first term, replacing Deb Ward. Motion carried.
- b) Golf Course- A motion was made by Chris, seconded by Peterson, to accept the TEC estimate for \$399.95 to upgrade the security system. Motion carried.
- c) Recreation Commission- Wick discussed a letter he received from parents regarding the recreation commission and some changes they think need to be made. Wick discussed Joe and Shawn Stansbury running baseball and softball for this season. A motion by Wick, seconded by Peterson, to accept the resignations from Denyse Kattenberg, Merissa Rentschler, and David Tharp from the recreation commission. Motion carried. Mayor Wiehl asked Wick to find some new members and a director for the commission by the next meeting. Wick will speak with Matt Haack, Jeff Albert, and Joe Stansbury about by-laws for the recreation commission and will bring them to the next meeting. Applications will be accepted for the field director position.
- d) Economic Development- A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Kingsbury, to approve the Commercial Property Revitalization Grant up to \$2,500.00 For Art Befort’s mural project. Motion carried. A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Wick, to recess for a Landbank Meeting at 7:00pm. Motion carried. A motion by Wick, seconded by Cole, to come out of recess and resume the council meeting. Motion carried. Dana J Peterson discussed the interlocal agreement with the county for the old hospital building. A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Cole, to approve a grant application match for the DRAW-Delivering Residents & Workforce training program for up to \$12,500.00. Motion carried. A motion was made by Cole, seconded by Kingsbury, to approve the incentive award for \$9,000.00 for USD 110 Principal. Motion carried. A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Peterson, to approve \$300.00 for the PBS first episode and \$2,000.00 for the winter 2024 episode. Motion carried. A motion was made by Kingsbury, seconded by Cole, to approve \$57.60 per month for the office printer. Motion carried. A motion by Cole, seconded by Wick to approve the director’s reimbursement of \$471.87. Motion carried.
- e) Police Department- A motion by Cole, seconded by Wick, to accept the resignation from Officer Bailey. Motion carried. Chief Marshall discussed the officers are certified on their tasers.

- f) Hileman- Discussed the status of the golf course and how there would be more expenditures coming up. Hileman discussed the issues with the bulk water at the water plant.
- g) Hughes- Discussed the airport closure beginning May 1st through May 4th for the remainder of the runway project.

VII. Governing Body Reports

- a) Peterson – Parks/Airport
Discussed the meeting with KDOT and the plans for the airport improvements in the future.

- b) Mayor Wiehl
Discussed the bath house project and the plans for the donor wall. The pool committee will continue to work on this.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion by Wick, seconded by Kingsbury to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.

Attest:

Aurielle Hughes