

**City of Smith Center**  
**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**August 26, 2019**  
**6:00 pm**

The City Council met in adjourned session with Mayor Bryce Wiehl presiding. Council members present: Adam Rentschler, Don Wick, Tracy Kingsbury, and Chris Cole. Absent: Dave Mace. Others present: Corina Cox, Rick Hileman, Tabitha Owen, Ryan LaDow, Alan Moore, Judy Burgess, Jerald Ratliff, Amber Conaway, Barry Brooks, Jamie Marshall, Terri Jones, and Jill Conaway.

Motion by Cole, seconded by Kingsbury, to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2019 council meeting. Motion carried.

**Guest**

Alan Moore-APAC and Ryan LaDow discussed with the governing body the additional expenses incurred during the water main replacement on Main Street/Hwy 281; from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street. There were multiple unforeseen issues that not only extended the design/build project; the cost exceeded the comprehensive bid by \$20,374.42 to rectify as well as allow the set-up for further improvement. A motion was made by Rentschler, seconded by Wick, to approve an additional payment of \$10,187.21 (50% of the overage). Motion carried. Moore expressed his gratitude to the council.

**Swimming Pool Project**

Corina Cox presented the Environmental Assessment to the council for the Swimming Pool project. A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Cole to approve the Environmental Assessment and post the Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact and Notice of Intent to Request the Release of Funds in both the City Hall and Library beginning August 27, 2019, with an expiration date of September 16, 2019. Motion carried.

A pool design received by Lamp Rynearson was presented to the council. After discussion, a motion was made by Wick, seconded by Rentschler, to accept and approve the design as submitted. Motion carried.

### **Airport**

Upon review and report from Jones, a motion was made by Kingsbury, seconded by Wick, to approve the presented contract agreement with APAC for the Construct Runway 14-32 Partial Parallel Taxiway. Motion carried.

### **Propane Contracts**

Propane contracts were presented to the council. Due to the annual low usage, no action was taken.

### **Franchise Agreement-AT&T**

A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Kingsbury, to table the AT&T Franchise Agreement update until the September 23, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

### **Recreation Commission**

A proposed salary increase was tabled in order to get clarification. A motion was made by Kingsbury, seconded by Wick, to accept the resignation of Shawn Stansbury from the Recreation Commission. Motion carried. A motion was made by Kingsbury, seconded by Wick, to appoint Matt Haack to the Commission. Motion carried.

### **Economic Development**

A motion was made by Wick, seconded by Rentschler, to approve the recommendation of the Advisory Board to donate \$350 to the Old Settlers' Day Fund. Motion carried.

### **Supervisor and Council Reports**

Marshall and Owen-Detailed discussion was held on the Vicious Dog Ordinance. The ordinance will be reviewed at the September 23, 2019 meeting.

Hileman-The grader repairs are complete. Pickup will be arranged and the grader will be posted for sale on an auction site. The street sweeper will be pulled from use at this time, to better assess the continuing issues and pursue options to remedy these issues.

Owen answered questions on state statutes as well as asking for clarification and options regarding housing at Heritage Townhomes.

Rentschler-Shawn Phelps inquired on the status of Smith County residents with out of county vehicle license plates. Owen believed the issue to have been resolved at a meeting held recently with law enforcement officials, reporting that law enforcement cannot pull over/question individuals for said reason without

cause. Rentschler was asked to relay to Mr. Phelps that he should file a written complaint with law enforcement if he has evidence of a crime.

Cole-Parking along New York Street was addressed; Marshall reported the street to be 30 ft wide, therefore a potential hazard for semi-truck traffic. Marshall will address the issue with residents along the area discussed.

### **Executive Session**

Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Kingsbury, to enter into executive session for ten (10) minutes to discuss performance of non-elect personnel. Motion carried. Into executive session at 7:15pm; out of executive session at 7:25pm.

Open meeting resumed. Motion by Cole, seconded by Rentschler, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.

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Jill Conaway, City Clerk