

**City of Smith Center**  
**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**November 8, 2017**  
**6:00 pm**

The City Council met in regular session with Mayor Bryce Wiehl presiding. Council members present: Dave Mace, Tracy Kingsbury, Adam Rentschler, Chris Cole, and Sonny Manley. Also present: Jon Halbgewachs, Josh Dlabal, Denis Miller, Dale Pickel, Mickey Drake, Jamie Marshall, Alicia Strother, Terri Jones, and Jill Conaway.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Motion by Manley, seconded by Kingsbury, to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2017 and November 6, 2017 meetings. Motion carried.

Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Mace, to approve payment of the monthly expenses. Motion carried.

**City Connecting Link Improvement Program**

Jon Halbgewachs and Josh Dlabal answered questions and presented information and a contract for Kirkham Michael to assist with the design, bid, and construction engineering of a 2 inch mill and overlay project on US-281 Highway from the railroad tracks to 1<sup>st</sup> Street through the CCLIP.

**Audit Report**

Denis Miller of Mapes & Miller LLC, reviewed the 2016 Audit Report with the council. Motion by Manley, seconded by Rentschler to approve the 2016 Audit as presented. Motion carried.

**Health Insurance**

Health Insurance options were presented at the November 6<sup>th</sup> special meeting. Upon review, a motion was made by Manley, seconded by Rentschler to renew coverage through United Healthcare and Freedom Claims Management. Motion carried. Coverage for the governing body was discussed. Strother will inquire with United Healthcare on this option and forward her findings to the city clerk.

### **Airport**

Motion by Kingsbury, seconded by Mace to accept the agreement with Lochner for engineering design services and fee proposal for the runway 14-32 partial parallel taxiway construction project at the airport, as presented; and to authorize Mayor Wiehl to sign all documents associated with the project. Motion carried.

### **CMB License**

Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Kingsbury to approve a 2018 CMB license to Alta Convenience Store. Motion carried.

### **Heritage Townhomes**

Northwest Kansas Housing has requested funds to pay the property taxes on Heritage Townhomes. Discussion was held on the original contract and the current management by NW KS Housing. Conaway will attend the Economic Development Board meeting to discuss future options and contact the city attorney to review the original contract in place. Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Kingsbury to send the requested funds, as directed by contract. Motion carried.

### **Supervisor Reports**

Dale Pickel and Chief Marshall gave supervisor reports.

Hileman obtained approval from the council to issue a building permit to Dave's Heating, Cooling, and Electric on Kansas Avenue, in regards to fire limits.

### **Executive Session**

Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Mace to recess at 7:28pm for fifteen (15) minutes to executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel exception, to discuss employee performance. Motion carried. Into executive session at 7:29pm, returned to open session at 7:44pm.

Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Cole to adjourn at 7:45pm. Motion carried.

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Jill Conaway, City Clerk