

Council Chambers
City Hall
March 20, 2007
7:30 P.M.

Council met in regular session with Mayor Don Reed presiding and roll call showing Councilmembers: Donald Button, Sheila Backstrom, Justin Begnoche, Lanny Crawford, Sharon Brown, Jonathan Coberly and Charles Smith present.

Copies of the minutes of the previous meeting were presented and approved by the Council. Copies of the previous Public Utilities Commission meeting were presented.

Appropriation Ordinance Nos. 3169 and 3170, allowing claims, which had been checked by the Council, were presented. Moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Crawford, that these ordinances be approved for payment. Upon being put to a vote by roll call this motion carried by a unanimous vote of all Councilmembers present.

City Attorney items were presented by Monte Green, substituting for Michael Ryan.

Ordinance No. 2197, entitled "AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ZONING IN THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER, KANSAS, RE-ZONING LOT 23, LESS THE WEST 100', IN MORGAN'S SECOND DIVISION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION EIGHT, TOWNSHIP EIGHT, RANGE 3, EAST OF THE 6TH P.M., ALL IN THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER, KANSAS, TO ZONE THREE (3), RESIDENTIAL, AS DEFINED BY SECTION 16-201 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER, KANSAS.", was read and considered by sections. Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Coberly, to adopt Ordinance No. 2197 as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Councilmembers Button, Backstrom, Begnoche, Crawford, Brown, Coberly and Smith voting "yea" and no councilmember voting "nay".

Ordinance No. 2198, entitled "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CODIFICATION OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER, KANSAS, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN OTHER ORDINANCES NOT INCLUDED THEREIN, EXCEPTING CERTAIN ORDINANCES FROM REPEAL AND SAVING CERTAIN ACCRUED RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES.", was read and considered by sections. Moved by Councilmember Button, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to adopt Ordinance No. 2198 as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Councilmembers Button, Backstrom, Begnoche, Crawford, Brown, Coberly and Smith voting "yea" and no Councilmember voting "nay".

Resolution No. 1417, was presented for review. If passed the resolution would authorize the Mayor or City Clerk of the City of Clay Center to execute documents for the Farm Service Agency (FSA). Moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Begnoche, to adopt Resolution No. 1417 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A Proclamation declaring the month of March as "National Nutrition Month" was presented for approval. The City Attorney has reviewed the proclamation. Moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve the above mentioned proclamation as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Jeanna Walters, representing the local Girl Scouts organization, appeared before the Council. Ms. Walters asked for permission to do some landscape planting around the Girl Scout Cabin to be done by the girls as scouting projects. The planting would be allowable plants as set forth in city code. There will be several areas being done by different groups of scouts. Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Begnoche, to grant the request from the Girl Scouts. The motion carried unanimously.

Michael Brownell, representing the Clay County Wrestling Club, appeared before the Council. Mr. Brownell is making a request of \$250.00 to help with expenses to take twenty-seven boys to a State Wrestling Meet in Topeka. Moved by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Crawford, to donate \$250.00 to the Clay County Wrestling Club out of the Special Park and Recreation Fund. The motion carried 6-0-1. Councilmember Begnoche abstained.

City resident, Daton Hess, appeared before the Council. Mr. Hess explained to the Council that he has some property that can be used for dumping waste concrete and asphalt. Mr. Hess stated he has the proper permits and would like to see the City use this site instead of paying to dump this material at the county landfill. Future disposal hauling will have to be considered on a case by case basis.

Committee reports were as follows:

Streets and Alleys-There will be a meeting in City Hall council room on April 5, 2007 with KDOT officials to discuss the possibility of removing the Highway #24 viaduct. The KLINK project for West Highway #24 was discussed. The engineer needs to know soon if we plan to do the project this year. Moved by Councilmember Crawford, seconded by Councilmember Button, to proceed with the engineering for a KLINK project for West Highway #24. The motion carried unanimously.

Lights, Water, and Sewer-Committee received bids from Bloom Construction to replace two sewer lift station buildings in the City. Moved by Councilmember Button, seconded by Councilmember Brown, to approve a bid of \$2,880.00 for a building on Pogue's Hill. The motion carried unanimously. Moved by Councilmember Button, seconded by Councilmember Crawford, to approve a bid of \$4,295.00 to replace a building at West Highway #24 and Meadowlark Road intersection. The motion carried unanimously.

Building Permits-Moved by Councilmember Begnoche, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve a building permit for Jason Erbert for a 10' x 16' storage shed at 930 Huntress Street. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business-City Council would like to promote the ½% sales tax to be on the April 3rd ballot. Moved by Councilmember Button, seconded by Councilmember Crawford, to spend up to \$600.00 for news media ads to support the ½% sales tax proposal. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Reed reported that Button, Smith and Begnoche will be working together for writing an ad.

Mayor Reed announced the following persons will serve as employee representatives to study a Plan 457 for the City. They are Public Utilities – Bill Callaway, George Rice and Gary Griffiths, City – Shon Bloomdahl, Greg Sterling and Calvin Wohler.

Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Backstrom, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.