

Council Chambers
City Hall
September 18, 2007
7:30 P.M.

Council met in regular session with Mayor Sharon Brown presiding and roll call showing Councilmembers: Steve Fox, Justin Begnoche, Daton Hess, Rhys Baker, Butch Hess, Charles Smith, Connie Jordan and Jack Wallace present.

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

Municipal Judge's receipts for the month of August were \$7,314.00.

Appropriation Ordinance Nos. 3194 and 3195, allowing claims, which had been checked by the Council, were presented. Moved by Councilmember Wallace, seconded by Councilmember Smith, 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, Michael Ryan, presented several items that need action.

City Clerk, Calvin Wohler, reported that bids for the \$625,000.00 bond were received by Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Inc. today (September 18, 2007) and a tabulation was sent to the City. Country Club Bank, n.a. of Kansas City was the low bidder with an average interest rate of 3.79%. City should approve this. Moved by Councilmember Jordan, seconded by Councilmember D. Hess, that Country Club Bank be allowed to purchase the above stated bonds. The motion carried 6-2. Councilmembers B. Hess and Smith voted "nay".

Ordinance No. 2206, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$625,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2007, OF THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER, KANSAS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS WITH RESPECT THERETO.", was read and considered by sections. Moved by Councilmember Wallace, seconded by Councilmember Begnoche, to adopt Ordinance No. 2206 as presented. The motion carried 6-2. Councilmembers Fox, Begnoche, D. Hess, Baker, Jordan and Wallace voted "yea" and Councilmembers B. Hess and Smith voted "nay".

Resolution No. 1429, entitled "A RESOLUTION PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF \$625,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2007, OF THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER, KANSAS, PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2206 OF THE ISSUER; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY THEREOF; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS CONNECTED THEREWITH.", was read and considered by sections. Moved by Councilmember Wallace, seconded by Councilmember Begnoche, to adopt Resolution No. 1429 as presented. The motion carried 6-2. Councilmembers B. Hess and Smith voted "nay".

A Proclamation proclaiming the week of October 15-19 as National Business Women's Week in Clay Center. Moved by Councilmember Wallace, seconded by Councilmember Jordan, to adopt the above mentioned proclamation as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Dennis Campbell, representing CCCHS, appeared before the Council to ask permission to have a Homecoming Parade in downtown Clay Center beginning at 2:30 p.m. on September 21, 2007 The parade would start on Fourth Street between Court and Dexter Streets, going East on Court Street to Fifth Street, south on Fifth Street and disband at Grant Avenue. There would be a pep rally on Fifth Street next to the west side of the courthouse after the parade. Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Wallace, to grant the request as presented above. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee reports were as follows:

Ways and Means-Mayor Brown informed the Council that Union State Bank has offered to replace 31 American flags in the downtown portion of Clay Center at a cost of \$20.00 each.

Fire Department-Fire Department received two bids for replacement pagers for ones that have gone bad. Moved by Councilmember Wallace, seconded by Councilmember Baker, to accept the bid from Homman Electronics for five pagers at a cost of \$1,945.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Streets and Alleys-The forty-three blocks of milling and overlay work has been completed. There may need to be some refinishing in some areas.

The Open House and Retirement party for Gary Wachsicht will be held from 9:00 A.M. to Noon on September 22, 2007 at the Street Shop.

Parks and Pool-Department would like to trade a Grasshopper mower this year. Council wants to hold off for now.

Lights, Water and Sewer-Committee has written a proposed policy on how to handle back-up sewer problems. The Council reviewed the proposed policy. Moved by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Begnoche, to approve the sewer back-up policy as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Building Permits-Moved by Councilmember Jordan, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve the following building permits:

Gary Davies, Jr. for a 13' x 34' deck cover at 1011 Harriett Street.

William Zacharias for a 30' x 85' storage complex at 526 Bridge Street.

Don Wright for a 14' x 30' porch roof at 1122 4th Street.

Harlan Riechers for a 10' x 20' storage shed at 1411 Lincoln Avenue.

The motion carried unanimously.

Police Advisory-Amy Taylor has been offered the Animal Control position to begin October 1, 2007.

Old Business-The Housing Committee that reviews the CDBG rehabilitation housing program held a recent meeting. Seven houses have been approved for rehabilitation.

The Youth Academy this fall will be held on October 18, 2007. There will be sixteen students this time.

A brief report was given on the progress being made on the house at 1003 2nd Street. There does not seem to be much progress.

New Business-Mayor Brown presented the names of Tom Skinner and Kendra Schurle to open positions on the Library Board. Moved by Councilmember Wallace, seconded by Councilmember Begnoche, to accept the Mayor's appointments. The motion carried unanimously.

Parks and Pool Committee were asked if they could find a place for the old Union Pacific caboose located at Third and Court Street. Committee to talk with Park Superintendent Otto Straub.

Joyce Beck, salesperson for KCLY radio had appeared before the Council during the work session at 7:00 p.m. asking for sponsorship of a Taste of Home cooking event. The Council chose to pass on any offer to sponsor.

Streets and Alleys committee will need to discuss a fall clean-up time.

A recycle program was discussed.

Moved by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to open all future Council meetings with a Pledge of Allegiance. The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilmember Begnoche, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.