

Kimball City Council
Regular Meeting
November 19, 2019

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on November 19, 2019 in the City Council Chambers. Mayor Prunty and Council members Bright, Warner, Shields and Baliman were present. Also present were Water Superintendent Sisk, Officer Mauer, Special Projects Coordinator Sapp, Water Superintendent Sisk, City Administrator Dean, City Treasurer Brower and City Clerk Terrill. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

Prunty called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Prunty acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act poster.

Prunty opened discussion to approve the Tourism Grant request for the 2020 All Class Reunion. Erin Heidemann, representative of the 2020 All Class Reunion Committee, advised Council that the reunion is scheduled for Farmer's Day weekend 2020. Heidemann went on to say that the Committee will not be mailing notices this year but did have 1,000 postcards printed to hand out and would like to advertise the event via social media. After discussion, Shields moved and seconded by Warner to approve the Tourism Grant for the 2020 All Class Reunion in the amount of \$517.42. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Tammy Land to the Fair Housing Commission. Prunty advised Council that Land will replace Max Revell for the remainder of that term. Baliman moved and seconded by Bright to approve the Mayor's appointment of Land to the Fair Housing Commission. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to consider purchasing the equipment to live stream City Council meetings. Discussion was held on live streaming the meetings on Facebook. Spud Rowley advised Council that he live streams the school sports games on Facebook without issues. Rowley also said that the equipment is not expensive. After discussion, Warner moved and seconded by Bright to approve the City Staff to purchase the equipment needed to live stream the City Council meetings on Facebook. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to consider the recommendation to approve the Business Façade Improvement Grant for Sportsman's Liquor. Sapp advised Council this grant is to repair the roof and that owner, Lissa Wangler, chose to go with the quote from Hayes Roofing. After discussion, Baliman moved and seconded by Bright to approve the Business Façade Improvement Grant for Sportsman's Liquor in the amount of \$11,978.75. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to consider the recommendation to approve the Business Façade Improvement Grant from Johnson's Construction. Sapp advised Council that the Citizen's Advisory Committee recommended approval but changed Johnson's hourly rate from \$55.00 to \$25.00. Discussion was held on how the Committee determined what the hourly should be and how to handle this in the future. Warner stated that she wants the Committee to make sure that they make it fair for all and not a select few. Citizen's Advisory Committee member Jamie Bright advised Council that the Committee discussed the changes made to Johnson's application at length and moving forward they want to make sure there are checks and balances. Baliman moved and seconded by Shields to approve the Business Façade Improvement Grant for Johnson Construction in the amount of \$1,790.08. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to consider the recommendation to change the definition of local contractor to Kimball County. Sapp advised Council that some of the Citizen's Advisory Committee members did not understand why Council changed the local area to include Pine Bluffs without recommendation from that board. Discussion was held on sales tax. After discussion, no action taken.

Prunty opened discussion on the sale of the Kimball Event Center and Fitness Center. Bright asked if the City received any other proposals. Dean advised there were no other proposals. Bright stated that the City needs to accept the proposal from Patterson if there weren't any others. Discussion held on the Fitness Center. Warner asked if Council was sure they wanted to get rid of the Fitness Center. Discussion was held on the future of the Fitness Center. Dean advised that he will meet with Patterson and put the terms in the resolution. Heather Entingh, Kimball resident, questioned the proposal and asked if all the inventory went with the building. Warner stated that the equipment would stay in the building and all be sold for \$100.00. After discussion, Baliman moved and seconded by Shields to accept the proposal from Rich Patterson for \$100.00 and to spell out the terms in a resolution to be presented to Council at the next meeting. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to approve the Mayor's signature on the Interlocal Dispatch Agreement with Kimball County. Baliman moved and seconded by Bright to approve the Mayor's signature on the Interlocal Dispatch Agreement with Kimball County. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to approve adding Regina Hinton and Annette Brower to the Handyman bank account. Shields moved and seconded by Baliman to approve adding Hinton and Brower to the Handyman bank account. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion to consider a recommendation to the Loan Advisory Committee to redefine the Economic Developer/Special Projects Coordinator position. Prunty advised this agenda item was requested by Councilmember Warner but will be removed as she is going to take it to the Citizen's Advisory Committee first.

Prunty opened discussion to authorize the Mayor's signature on the Street Superintendent Year-End Certification. Baliman moved and seconded by Bright to approve the Mayor's signature on the Street Superintendent Year-End Certification. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2019-09 for the Year-End Certification of the Street Superintendent. Baliman moved and seconded by Shields to approve Resolution 2019-09. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty asked for a motion to suspend the second reading of Ordinance #774 and to allow to be read by title only. Baliman moved and seconded by Shields for the second reading of Ordinance #774 to be read by title only. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The City Council reviewed the following items under the consent agenda:

1. Minutes from the regular City Council meeting October 15, 2019 and the special City Council meeting October 28, 2019;
2. Claims;
3. Financial Statements.

Baliman moved and seconded by Warner to approve the consent agenda as presented. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Administrator report: Dean advised Council that the Electric Department has been working on stabilizing the power lines on County Road 32 and that they have most of the work done. Dean also advised that the City was approved for the grant to remove the asbestos from the Longhorn building. Dean went on to say that the City will be reimbursed for half of the cost which totals \$8,450.00.

Mayor's report: Prunty introduced new employee Joel Mauer of the Kimball Police Department. Prunty advised Council that he is still working on improvements to the swimming pool.

The next regular meeting will be December 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. There being no further business, Bright moved and seconded by Shields to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Baliman, Warner, Bright and Shields. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Keith B. Prunty, Mayor

Katherine Terrill, City Clerk