

MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order with Roll Call by Mayor Rick Walker.

Roll Call:	Lane	Present	Ritter	Present
	Daniels	Present	Murdock	Present
	Honomichl	Present		

Mayor Walker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda Items will be acted upon by one motion unless a Council member requests an item be removed for discussion and separate action.

1. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approve Minutes of the Council Meeting on March 19, 2020.
 - b. Approve Pay Ordinance No. 875.

Motion by Council member Murdock to approve the Consent Agenda; second by Daniels.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

2. Call to Public:

"Members of the public are welcome to use this time to comment about any matter relating to City business not listed on this Agenda. The comments that are discussed under Call to Public may or may not be acted upon by the Council during this meeting. **There is a four-minute time limit.** Please stand and wait to be recognized by the Mayor. You must state your name and address."

No communications were received by the City Clerk.

3. Old Business: None

4. New Business:

- a. Consider Bids for Salt Spreader Stands. City Administrator Brungardt said there is money in the CIP for improvements to the Public Works facility. He explained how the salt spreader units and stands function. Two bids were received. Discussion between Council member Murdock and Administrator Brungardt on how the unit and truck interlock.

Motion by Council member Murdock to accept the proposal from American Equipment Company in the amount of \$7,947.99; second by Lane.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

- b. Consider Bids for Boiler Room Roof Repair. Administrator Brungardt said this was discussed in the past with Council. The roof slab has been increasingly deteriorating and allowing water intrusion into the boiler room. A structural engineer was hired and produced plans and specifications for the repair of the slab. Two bids were received. He explained the funding to be used. Discussion ensued between Council member Daniels and Administrator Brungardt. Council member Honomichl asked what we know about Senne and Company and their work. Council member Lane asked about having a cap or a coating put over the slab. Discussion.

Motion by Council member Honomichl to award the boiler room roof repair to Senne and Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$38,170.00, conditioned upon the City Administrator confirming references on contractor; second by Murdock.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

- c. Consider Bids for Crack and Chip Seal Projects. Administrator Brungardt explained the road ways that are to be repaired. The bids were let and Vance Brothers came in the lowest. A discussion ensued between Council member Daniels and Administrator Brungardt concerning the UBAS that was put down on Commerce Drive. Discussion on moving forward with the project.

Motion by Council member Murdock to award the bid to Vance Brothers in an amount not to exceed \$117,085 for the 2020 Granite Chip seal and crack seal surfacing; second by Daniels.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

- d. Discuss Upcoming Grant Applications and CIP Funding. City Administrator Brungardt provided a staff report to Council concerning some of the funding sources that were available, prior to the CoVid-19 ramifications, and some of these program budgets could be impacted by the economic repercussions. He explained the grants and the application process for each project, and the submittal deadlines. He will be working on these and if Council has any comments on capital improvements, please advise.

Mayor Walker commented on the program he attended concerning project funding that was awarded. He said safe route funding was one of the top priorities. He said we might want to consider including an element of that type in a submittal. Discussion ensued.

5. Executive Session:

- a. Discuss land acquisition pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(6).

Motion by Council member Murdock to recess into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss land acquisition pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(6), with the open meeting resuming in the City Council Chamber at 7:38 p.m.; second by Daniels.

All Council approved by "ayes."

Motion carried.

Members of the Council returned to the Council Chamber from Executive Session at 7:38 p.m.

- b. Communications protected by attorney-client privilege pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2).

Motion by Council member Murdock to recess into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss communications protected by attorney-client privilege pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), with the open meeting resuming in the City Council Chamber at 7:48 p.m.; second by Daniels.

All Council approved by "ayes."

Motion carried.

Members of the Council returned to the Council Chamber from Executive Session at 7:48 p.m.

- c. Personnel.

Motion by Councilmember Murdock to recess into executive session at 7:50 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss potential furlough of specifically identified employees due to COVID-19 Virus pursuant to non-elected personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1)), with the open meeting resuming in the City Council Chamber at 8:00 p.m.; second by Council member Daniels.

All Council approved by "ayes."

Motion carried.

Members of the Council returned to the Council chamber from executive session, and reconvened the open meeting, at 8:00 p.m.

6. Advisory Reports:

- a. City Administrator, Mike Brungardt, said we should be getting ready for budget discussions, but we will have to delay that. Around the county, there is deep concern as sales tax has been greatly impacted in some areas. Through March, sales tax revenue is up from last year, but it isn't expected to continue with the current situation impacting sales. De Soto is in a good financial position currently. He provided Council with a proposed model for coming years for the City. He will keep the Council apprised.

Mayor Walker asked if the plans had been bid out for the roundabout project. Discussion among Council members that infrastructure is going to continue if money is available. Council member Murdock said we need to be able to cut back if needed due to economy.

Administrator Brungardt provided a photo of the restrooms being constructed at Riverfest Park. The restrooms should be operational in about a month.

- b. City Attorney, Patrick Reavey, no report.
- c. City Planner, Brad Weisenburger, was not present.

d. City Clerk, Lana McPherson, no report.

7. Council & Mayor Comments:

Council member Lane said he thanked Mike and Patrick for working on all the technology. He thanked the Mayor for keeping Easter in mind and trying to keep things normal.

Council member Ritter had nothing further.

Council member Honomichl said he would like to acknowledge Mike for doing the on line meeting and the technology. He said Mike is a step ahead of where we need to be as far as the planning.

Council member Murdock thanked Mike for thinking ahead and leading us forward, as well as the Mayor.

Council member Daniels thanked the Mayor and Mike for keeping things moving forward. He said he had an interested citizen asking if there could be more than a twice a month recycling pickup since people are staying at home and having more trash and recycling needs. Administrator Brungardt said he will have a discussion with Honey Creek and see what they say.

Council member Honomichl said his neighbors are impressed that the cost for a recycle container is very reasonable. Maybe people just need to get another recycle bin if they recycle more that most citizens.

Attorney Reavey commented on a contract revision for the CDBG sidewalk project due to the prevailing current wage rate at the time the contract was entered into. Administrator Brungardt provided Council with a copy of the contract for their approval of the revision to the prevailing wage provision. Nothing else in the contract will be affected by this change.

Motion by Council member Daniels to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract amendment; second by Murdock.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

Mayor Walker said he provided Council with a copy of an ordinance at the last meeting to consider regarding making the City's regular appropriations. Attorney Reavey explained the appropriations. This ordinance would suspend the pay ordinance and allow the expenditures in the budget that have already been approved to be paid out.

Motion by Council member Murdock to approve Ordinance No. 2489 providing for the appropriation of amounts set up in each fund in the City budget for the remainder of calendar year 2020, to be exercised in the event that the City Council is unable to continue to hold its regularly scheduled City Council meetings; second by Daniels.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

Mayor Walker said there is a Board of Zoning Appeals meeting coming up. He would like to

appoint Robert Freeman to the BZA as he is a former City Council member. He's now retired and would like to be involved again.

Motion by Council member Murdock to approve the Mayor's appointment of Robert Freeman to the BZA; second by Honomichl.

Roll Call:	Lane	Yes	Ritter	Yes
	Daniels	Yes	Murdock	Yes
	Honomichl	Yes		

Motion carried.

Mayor Walker said he would like to remind people that the next two weeks are going to be critical and we need to practice social distancing, wash our hands, and do all the things right that we can do as individuals to keep ourselves and others safe, healthy and going forward.

Motion by Council member Murdock to adjourn at 8:27 p.m.; second by Honomichl.

All Council approved by "ayes."

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Lana R. McPherson, MMC, City Clerk