

July 21, 2020

**Russell City Council Meeting – Minutes
City Hall
Russell, KS**

Mayor Mader called the City Council meeting to order at 4:30 PM with the following members in attendance: Councilmembers Madden, Cross, Stoppel, Wagner, Matt Driscoll, Talbott, and Morrill.

The following staff members participated by virtual conference: Electric Director Duane Banks and Building Official Roger Sells. The Following staff members were present: City Manager Jon Quinday, Assistant City Manager Kayla Schneider, Fire Chief Dylan Riedel and Public Works Director Rich Krause, Police Chief Dale Weimaster, and City Clerk Katrina Woelk.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Cross made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

None

Presentations and Public Hearings

1. Water Conservation Status

City Manager Quinday updated the council on the status of the City's wells and Big Creek.

2. Retirement Recognition

Steve Knopp and Terry Morse were recognized for their years of service and retirement date of August 1, 2020

3. 2021 Budget

City Manager Quinday gave an overview of the proposed budget and asked direction from the council direction on the budget the council wanted published.

Councilmember Madden made a motion to fund Russell Economic Development \$1,250; Russell Main Street \$12,000; Russell Area of Chamber of Commerce \$500; Western Kansas Child Advocacy \$1,000; Options \$1,000 and Ad Astra \$0.

Council member Morrill seconded. The motion carried 6 to 1 with Councilmember Talbott voting no.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Cross made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

1. Set 2021 Budget Public Hearing Date for August 18, 2020

Councilmember Cross made a motion to set the 2021 Budget hearing for August 18, 2020 at 4:30 pm in the Council Chambers. Councilmember Madden seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1. Resolution for Nuisance Vehicle Abatement at 329 W. 10th Street

Councilmember Stoppel made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the removal of the nuisance vehicle from 329 W 10th and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance vehicle is located. Councilmember Wagner seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Resolution for General Nuisance Abatement at 329 W. 10th Street

Councilmember Stoppel made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 329 W. 10th and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance is located. Councilmember Wagner seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Resolution for General Nuisance Abatement at 1105 N Fossil Street

Councilmember Stoppel made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 1105 N. Fossil Street and providing the abatement costs, if any, incurred by the city shall be charged against the lots or parcels of ground on which the nuisance is located. Councilmember Matt Driscoll seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Agreement of Administrative Consulting Services for KDHE Water Loan

Councilmember Cross made a motion to approve the contract with Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission not to exceed \$5,500.00. Councilmember Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Department Reports

1. Water Production

Public Works Director Rich Krause and Superintendent Dianna Vanbruggen gave an update on the water plant improvements and the water quality violation.

Public Comments

None

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Councilmember Cross made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Wagner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



Katrina Woelk, City Clerk