

MINUTES
THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROSE HILL CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.
ROSE HILL CITY HALL/COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ACTION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The regular meeting of the Rose Hill City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mark Conway. Councilmembers present: Rob Curtis, Jason Jones, David Vernia and Tamara Potter. Councilmember Carselowey was absent with prior notice. Administration and staff present: Kathy A. Axelson, City Administrator/City Clerk; Kirk Hayden, Public Works Director; Bob Sage, Police Chief; Kelly Mendoza, Asst. City Clerk; Andrew Marino, Asst. City Attorney and Richard Brown, Building Official. Others present: Christine Wendt, Bryson Bunger, Dan Waller, Nancy Hayden, Cindy Maxey, Christina Maxey, Chris Adams, Mandy Jones, Kasey & Mitch Anderson, Dan Woydziak, Tyler Conway, Leon Conway, Ed Templin, Gerald McKinney, Rick Cooper, Mandy Jones, Troy & Lori Foster, Janie Barnard, Bill Baker, Ron Brown, Barbara & Howard Reed, Roy Raney, Jamie Belden and Matt Bates.

ACTION ITEM #2: INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

Youth Pastor Bryson Bunger, Rose Hill Christian Church, gave the invocation followed by the flag salute.

ACTION ITEM #3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With copies of the 04/15/13 agenda previously distributed and before each Councilmember, the following:

MOTION (by T. Potter): To approve the 04/15/13 agenda. **SECOND BY R. Curtis** with MOTION PASSING 4-0.

ACTION ITEM #4: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With copies of the April 1, 2013 Regular Council Meeting minutes previously distributed and before each Councilmember, the following:

MOTION (by D. Vernia): To approve the April 1, 2013 Regular Council Meeting minutes. **SECOND BY J. Jones with MOTION PASSING 4-0.**

ACTION ITEM #5: CLAIMS

With copies of Appropriation Ordinance No. 8 previously distributed and before each Councilmember, the following:

MOTION (by T. Potter): To approve the payment of claims for Appropriation Ordinance No. 8. **SECOND BY R. Curtis with MOTION PASSING 4-0.**

ACTION ITEM #6: CITIZEN REQUESTS

Dan Woydziak - Came before Council to thank Mayor Conway and Councilmembers Potter and Vernia for everything they have done, as they have made the community a better place in which to live. Mr. Woydziak also thanked their families for allowing them to do what they do.

Leon Conway- Came before Council to express his pride in his son, Mayor Mark Conway. Mr. Conway stated that Mark gave the best years of his life to the community, devoted himself to doing this instead of growing his business, and has done many great and important things, for that he was named the Mayor of the year in Kansas. He challenged the new Mayor to take the job seriously, not forget what has been built for him over the last 20 years, and to do the job right so that the community will continue to flourish.

Matt Bates – Came before Council to express his gratitude to Councilmember David Vernia for his time and dedication to the city. Mr. Bates also praised Mark Conway for being a great volunteer whose accomplishments are many, stating his hard work and leadership has touched many lives. He thanked them both and their families for their service to the community.

Tamara Potter – Thanked everyone for their support and challenged the citizens to stay engaged and to be supportive. She also expressed her concern for the victims of the Boston bombings.

David Vernia - Thanked everyone for their support, and stated that he has enjoyed working with city staff. David also challenged the new Mayor and Councilmembers to keep up the good work that the previous council had started.

Mark Conway - Thanked the staff stating they were very good people to work with, he also thanked his friends and family for supporting him over the years. He also wished the new Council and Mayor the best, and thanked the citizens for allowing him to serve.

Kathy Axelson – Thanked Mark for his support and involvement over the years. Kathy also noted that Mark has never taken advantage of the city and scheduled his life around it, sacrificing time with his family and business in the process. Kathy also stated that Mark was a great Mayor while here and hopes that the city will continue some of the programs he was involved in.

At this time Mayor Conway, and Councilmembers Potter and Vernia were presented awards for their years of service.

ACTION ITEM #7: OATH OF OFFICE: MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

Kathy Axelson, City Administrator, gave the Oath of Office to the new Mayor, Jason Jones as well as Councilmembers Bob Klem and Lionel Diamond.

ACTION ITEM #8: ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mayor Jones asked that this item be tabled until next Council meeting.

ACTION ITEM #9: LIBRARY BOARD RE-APPOINTMENTS: HAROLD BEEDLES, JUDY BASTIN AND NANCY HAYDEN 4-YEAR TERMS/APRIL 30, 2013 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2017)

MOTION (by R. Curtis): To approve the Library Board Appointments of Harold Beedles, Judy Bastin and Nancy Hayden, for 4-year terms expiring April 30, 2017. **SECOND** by B. Klem, with **MOTION PASSING 3-0.**

ACTION ITEM #10: PROCLAMATION: ARBOR DAY/APRIL 26, 2013

Mayor Jones read a signed proclamation that proclaims April 26th, 2013 as Arbor Day in the City of Rose Hill, and urged all citizens to support the efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

DISCUSSION ITEM #1: NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- a) Butler Co. Commission: Agendas/Minutes: Mayor Jones noted that copies were in Council packets.
- b) Rose Hill Rec. Commission: Mayor Jones noted that copies were in Council packets.
- c) Butler County- 2013 Election Certification – Mayor Jones noted that a copy was in Council packets.

DISCUSSION ITEM #2: CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Kathy Raney, City Administrator, reported on the following items:

- Sewer Improvement Fee/Annual Review: Kathy noted that with connection fees generated by the NRP new home permits between Oct. 2011 and Dec. 2012, and the delay of construction of the WWTF Public Works Shop project, the sewer fund is in very good condition. She is recommending that the sewer improvement fee be lowered to \$28.00 to utilize some of the reserve funding, and to amend the fee structure to remove the \$12.50 additional charge to residential customers who go over the 20,000 gallon threshold of water usage. A draft ordinance will be prepared and further information will be available by next council meeting.
- Council Retreat: Kathy noted that she has been working with the WSU/Hugo Wall School of Urban and Public Affairs, to provide information and updates on the KS Open Meetings Act, KS Open Records Act, and Ethics and Effective Communication. She asked that Council be thinking of two possible dates, May 11th and May 18th.
- Wholesale Water Customer Meeting: Kathy noted that she and Kirk would be participating in a Focus Group meeting of the City of Wichita wholesale water customers on May 1st. Councilmember Klem noted that he would also like to participate.

- National Day of Prayer: Kathy noted that this annual event will occur on Thursday, May 2nd at City Hall at 11:45 a.m.
- Name Change: Kathy noted that she has legally changed her last name to her birth/maiden name of Axelson.

DISCUSSION ITEM #3: DEPARTMENT HEADS' REPORT

Kirk Hayden, Public Works Director: Kirk noted that the concrete had been poured for the bridge deck at the School St. Pond.

Bob Sage, Police Chief: Chief congratulated new Councilmembers Klem and Diamond. Chief stated that he is looking into changing the current Fireworks Ordinance, and that he will be forming a small discussion group. The Lions Club has indicated that they will not be doing a stand this year, so now would be a good time to open up the sales to other groups. Councilmember Klem stated that he would like to be part of the discussion group. Mayor Jones asked about different sales and discharge times. Bob noted that the committee would be discussing that issue. Kathy stated that the ordinance needed to be in place 30 days before sales start, so time was of the essence.

DISCUSSION ITEM #4: MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Jones thanked Mark Conway and his family for the time they have put into the city. He also thanked the community who voted and encouraged him, and is looking forward to working with staff and moving ahead.

DISCUSSION ITEM #5: COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

R. Curtis: Thanked the outgoing members for a great job and congratulated the new members.

B. Klem: Thanked Mayor Conway and Councilmembers Vernia & Potter for the years they have served. He stated that he ran for Council because he truly wants to make a difference and hopes that he can explore all possibilities for fixing the roads.

L. Diamond: Thanked Mayor Conway and Councilmembers Vernia & Potter for a job well done. He stated that he will do his best, and encouraged the citizens to continue to come and voice their opinions.

J. Jones: Thank you Tamara and David for your years of service.

DISCUSSION ITEM #6: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the following:

MOTION (by R. Curtis): To adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. **SECOND BY B. Klem with MOTION PASSING 3-0.**

Respectfully submitted:

Kelly L. Mendoza, Recorder
Assistant City Clerk