

City of Madison

Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 17th, 2019

Call to Order: Council President Earl Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present: Nick Cherry, Daryl May, Samantha Watts and Earl Murphy. Mayor Paul Dean was absent.

City Employees Present: City Clerk, Victoria Stewart. City Treasurer, Michael Bartlow.

Public: Tammy Seimears with the Madison News, Barbara Anderson with Kansas Department of Commerce, and Jody Thomas.

Approval of Agenda: Samantha made the first motion. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Pledge of Allegiance: Earl led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes for June 3rd, 2019: Nick made the first motion. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Accounts Payable: Samantha made the first motion. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Open Forum: Billy Nowell did not attend the meeting.

Barbara Anderson with the Kansas Department of Commerce attended the meeting to discuss opportunities for rural communities. She asked the Council several questions about Madison, such as strengths, needed improvements and resources, and community organizations. Strengths included volunteers in the community, generous donations, great schools, community pride and self-sufficiency. Quality housing, childcare and employment opportunities were listed as needed improvements. The Council shared with Barbara the organizations that are active in Madison and all the contributions they have made to their community. She then shared with the Council certain grants and programs that could help with housing issues, such a CDBG grant and the Kansas Rural Opportunity Zones program. She also informed the board that there will be a listening tour held by the Governor and Lt. Governor of Kansas, where they will travel around the state to hear of rural community needs. She will keep in mind everything discussed at the meeting and provide the City with more information and resources that could be beneficial.

Clerk and Treasurer Reports: Michael Bartlow presented an initial budget review for 2020. He asked the Council to review the numbers and think about any changes that may need to be made. He stated that he raised the capital improvement budget in case there were any upcoming projects. The Council will review and discuss the budget at the meeting on July 15th and get it ready for publication and hearing on August 5th.

Reports from the Governing Body: The Council voted on entering a health agreement with Newman Regional Health. The health agreement is to send any employees to their services if they get hurt on the job. Having an assigned location for treatment allows discounts on the City's insurance rate. Daryl made the first motion. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The Council reviewed a list of code violations which included pictures. Daryl made a motion to issue all violations listed. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Earl Murphy presented a Fireworks Permit requested by Chubby Foods. Nick made the first motion to approve the permit. Samantha seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Earl Murphy reported that the sewer line by the Catholic Church in the alley is completely crushed and will need to be replaced. The Council agreed that the line needs to be fixed as soon as possible.

Earl also mentioned that the contract with A-1 required the company to have a crawler camera to service the City lines. They have a crawler system but it is too big to fit in the City's sewer lines.

Approval of Library Board: Jennifer Boles, Chairman. Ann Galbraith, Vice-Chairman. Angela Wolgram, Secretary. Jolene Haas, Treasurer. Summer Moeckel, Member. Diane Harrison, Member. Sherry Roth, Member. Samantha made the first motion to approve the library board. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Appointments of: City Clerk, Victoria Stewart. City Treasurer, Michael Bartlow. City Attorney, Michael Helbert. City Judge, Ted Hollembeak. City Publication, Madison News. City Banks, LCSB and CSB. City Healthcare Services, Newman Regional Health. Daryl made the first motion of approval. Nick seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment: Nick made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Daryl seconded. Motion carried 4-0.