

CITY OF DE SOTO
CITY COUNCIL
City Hall, 32905 W. 84th Street
May 17th, 2007, at 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order with Roll Call by Mayor David Anderson.

Roll Call:	Cannon	Present	Templin	Present
	Maniez	Present	Drennon	Present
	Morse	Present		

Citizens signed the book on page 93.

Mayor Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING: Select Community Development Block Grant project for 2008. Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing for comments. No one appeared and Mayor Anderson closed the public hearing.

Planner Buttrum provided comments as stated in the staff report dated May 11, 2007. The suggested projects are numbered in accordance with the Capital Improvements Program. Staff has recommended the pump replacement project which are numbers 105 and 109, for an amount of \$146,300. The CDBG funding has gone down the past two years. The City hopes to receive at least \$50,000 for 2008. The criteria is judged on infrastructure improvements.

Councilman Morse said he understood the lift stations were a priority. Discussion by Council and Engineer Brungardt concerning the lift station replacements.

Motion by Councilman Morse for 2008 CDBG funds that the Sunset and Skaggs lift stations project be done; second by Cannon.

Roll Call:	Cannon	Yes	Templin	Yes
	Maniez	Yes	Drennon	Yes
	Morse	Yes		

Motion carried.

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 of May 3rd, 2007.
 - b. Approve Pay Ordinance No. 569.

Motion by Councilwoman Templin to approve the Consent Agenda; second by Maniez.

Roll Call:	Cannon	Yes	Templin	Yes
	Maniez	Yes	Drennon	Yes
	Morse	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 that is 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."

Brad Scott, Shawnee, said he teaches at DHS and is here representing the Wildcats Football Team. They are here for the fireworks stand again for this year. Mr. Scott said he is requesting the Council waive the \$500 fee so that the football team can have the funds given to them by the fireworks company. Discussion by Attorney Reavey that this matter needs to be tabled until Building Official Steve Chick can be at the meeting. Council members said they had no problem with waiving the fee, if the permit is approved.

No one else appeared and Mayor Anderson closed the Call to Public.

3. Chamber / EDC Report: Executive Director Sara Ritter was not present.

4. Old Business:

- a. Consider Ordinance establishing a Rental Housing Inspection Program and licensing landlords to conduct business within De Soto. **TABLED**

5. New Business: None

Motion by Councilwoman Templin to move Agenda Item 6 to be after Item 8, and move the others items forward; second by Drennon.

All Council approved by "ayes".

(The record reflects that Items 7 and 8 were discussed prior to Item 6. Executive Session.)

6. Executive Session:

Motion by Councilman Maniez to go into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. to discuss two items, one for confidential company information and one for attorney-client privilege, to include Pat Guilfoyle and Patrick Reavey; second by Templin.

All Council approved by "ayes".

Motion by Councilman Maniez to return from Executive Session at 9:00 p.m. with one extension of time; only the items stated were discussed and no votes were taken; second by Templin.

All Council approved by "ayes".

7. Advisory Reports:

- a. City Administrator, Pat Guilfoyle, said he has received the formal contract from Wald & Company.

Motion by Templin to authorize the City Administrator to sign the contract with Wald for the fireworks display; second by Cannon.

Roll Call:	Cannon	Yes	Templin	Yes
	Maniez	Yes	Drennon	Yes

Morse Yes

Motion carried.

Administrator Guilfoyle said the display will most likely be at the High School, the same as last year. Dr. Zoellner is putting the City's request on the School Board's Agenda, and will advise the Board's decision.

Administrator Guilfoyle reminded Council of the workshop on the rental property inspection program next Thursday, May 24th, at 5:30 p.m.

Building Official Steve Chick has responded to the call for building inspectors in Greensburg. He will be back in his office on Tuesday. Steve said his reaction to the disaster was worse than he had anticipated. Building Official Chick is putting some reports together to share with the City Council and staff when he returns. Administrator Guilfoyle said in response to Councilwoman Templin's question, the City does have an emergency response plan. Administrator Guilfoyle has talked with Chief Kevin Ritter regarding the plan. Councilwoman Templin asked who is the City's chief spokesperson in case of a disaster emergency. Administrator Guilfoyle said it would be the Mayor or his appointee.

Further comments by Administrator Guilfoyle on future discussions and a review of the City's disaster plan. Discussion by Councilman Maniez that the people in Greensburg were fortunate in having some warning prior to the tornado. Chief Kevin Ritter discussed the location of the City's tornado sirens. Discussion that there is a need for a warning siren near the Cedar Creek hill area. Comments by Councilman Maniez that in his area the sirens can barely be heard. Chief Ritter suggested everyone have a weather alert radio. Discussion by Councilman Maniez that the Cedar Creek siren needs to be put up higher on the priority list. The cost for the siren would be around \$22,000. Council discussion continued.

Chief Ritter said there is a plan in place to respond to emergency situations. He said Johnson County has many agencies that will respond to an emergency. Council requested a copy of the City's emergency plan.

Administrator Guilfoyle reminded the Council Friday is "ride your bike to work" day.

- b. City Attorney, Patrick Reavey, had no report.
- c. City Engineer, Mike Brungardt, provided a packet of information to Council members on the CIP projects, their scope and the cost estimates. Engineer Brungardt explained the projects and the detailed cost estimates, and how he arrived at the results.

Administrator Guilfoyle said Krudwig & Associates has been retained to review the City Hall structure.

Administrator Guilfoyle has scheduled a meeting next week with the City's Bond Counsel and Financial Planner to review the City's financials, and to develop some scenarios in terms of financing for the Council to review and discuss. He explained the process that will be reviewed for the flexibility in the financing of the projects. Discussion between Mayor Anderson and Administrator Guilfoyle on temporary notes.

Engineer Brungardt said the repairs to Ottawa Street are being performed, and the street should be re-opened the end of next week.

- d. City Planner, Kim Buttrum, had no report.
- e. City Clerk, Lana McPherson, had no report.

8. Council & Mayor Comments:

No comments from Councilman Drennon.

Councilman Maniez asked Planner Buttrum if she had received any responses to her letters. She said she has had two responses so far.

Councilman Morse asked about the “pay day loan businesses” being prohibited in the City. Discussion by Attorney Reavey that he will review this and bring it back to the Council. Council members said they are not opposed to looking at some regulations.

No comments from Councilwoman Cannon and Councilwoman Templin.

Motion by Councilwoman Templin to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.; second by Cannon.

All Council approved by “ayes”.

Respectfully submitted:

Lana R. McPherson, MMC
City Clerk