

City of Kanopolis
October 11, 2022, 5:30 p.m.
Kanopolis City Hall
100 S Kansas
Kanopolis, KS 67454

The council of the City of Kanopolis met in regular session on October 11, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at the Kanopolis City Hall.

Present: Council members Rebecca Tripp, Michelle Schwerdtfeger and Jim Zvolanek. Tom Wilkinson came in at 6:15
Presiding: Anthony Hopkins
Absent: Greg Tripp
Citizens: Karen Bonar, Elena Gonzalez, Mark Cunningham, Danielle Hollingsworth

Approval of minutes: Jim Zvolanek motioned to approve the minutes dated September 13, 2022, Rebekah Tripp 2nd. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to approve the treasurer's report dated September 2022, Rebekah Tripp 2nd. Motion carried.

Citizens:

- Danielle Hollingsworth from Adams-Brown CPAs was here to present the audit. There were 2 items that require attention. Bank reconciliations and journal entries need a 2nd person to review monthly & the treasurer's report was found to have significantly different balance of funds. Danielle said that they will start the audit earlier next year. She believes the financials are clean.
- Mark Cunningham from Wilson Communications was here to discuss bringing fiber optics to Kanopolis. He is asking for approval to place a splitter cabinet behind the old fire station. All cables will be underground with small pedestals in the alleyways. Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to allow Wilson Communications to put the splitter cabinet on the west side of the old fire station, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried. Mark also needs all-inclusive access to right of way & easements. Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to allow Wilson Communications all inclusive access to right of ways & easements, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried. Mark also needs approval for the franchise agreement. Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to approve the franchise agreement between the City of Kanopolis & Wilson Communications, Rebekah Tripp 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Water Project – No updates on the new water tower but BG Consultants did mail the map & plans for the new water tower for the council to review.
- Abatements

- 420 S Iowa needs the council to pass the ordinance to allow for demolition. Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-O-02 for abatement of property, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried.
- 215 E C St – Council tabled.
- 520 S Iowa has slow gradual movements to get in compliance.
- 128 S Missouri has slow gradual improvements.
- 105 S Kansas code allows to tell them to fix the plywood and re-secure it to keep out vermin and rain where it's warped and falling out.
- 206 S Kansas is still out of compliance. Has a court date 11/10/22.
- 203 E 1st St claimed they would remove dogs to allowable limits, but no action taken. Has a court date on 10/27/22.

New business:

- Wilson Communications bid for new computers. Mark provided 2 estimates for 3 new computers for \$550.00 per month or 1 new computer & 2 upgrades for \$475.00 per month. Jim Zvolanek motioned to accept the bid from Wilson Communications for \$475.00, Rebekah Tripp 2nd. Motion carried
- Lead Service Line Inventory – The EPA is requiring the City to certify piping to every household as to the type of piping. They are allowing a 2-year time frame to complete. Mike Bunch doesn't think we currently have any lead or copper pipes in our water main. He puts a chemical that coats the pipes that prevents lead getting into water supply. The City will have to inspect every water line going to citizen's houses & the water lines inside the house. Mike said the criteria has 22 items for each property upon inspection. The only houses that will need to be inspected are houses built before 1988. Mayor Hopkins said he would like to talk to a state representative regarding this issue. Debbie Kralik said that she received an email today for a zoom conference regarding this issue. Mayor Hopkins said he would like to attend the zoom conference & Debbie will send him the link to sign up.

Committee Reports:

- City Employees – Mike Bunch – Nothing to report.
- Municipal Judge – Absent.
- City Properties – Rebekah Tripp asked if she could use the community center for the 4th grade Thanksgiving feast. It will be the Monday before Thanksgiving. The council approved but let her know that there are no cooking facilities there. Rebekah also asked about getting a grant for a walking path on the old football field. Mayor Hopkins said that the land belongs to the school & she will need to talk to the school district.
- Sewer & Cemetery – Jim Zvolanek – Jim asked Mike Bunch about the sludge removal at the sewer ponds. Mayor Hopkins said that Ellsworth has no current plans to remove sludge at their sewer ponds. Mike said that he wanted to talk to the Ellsworth Manager about sludge & the new EPA guidelines.
- Streets & Alleys – Greg Tripp – Absent
- Water – Tom Wilkinson – Nothing to report.

- Mayor – Mayor Hopkins – Mayor Hopkins mentioned that Slechta Enterprises needs some tree trimming done in some alleys. Mayor Hopkins asked Mike Bunch to trim the trees in the alley behind 103 S Iowa.
- President of Council – Michelle Schwerdtfeger – Michelle asked about getting 5th road graded. Mike Bunch to contact Gary Falk & set it up.
- City Clerk - Debbie Kralik – Debbie Kralik said that Frank Georgiana approached her about putting a wind turbine in his yard. The council would like Debbie to contact the attorney to research the ordinances against. The council also would like to see the plans or drawings to see height requirements. Debbie said that a citizen had rented the community center & has a refund of \$150.00 but there is an outstanding balance on their account. Can Debbie apply the \$150.00 to her past due account? Debbie discussed it with the attorney & she said that there is nothing that says we can or can't so Melissa said it would be the council's decision. Mayor Hopkins said he doesn't feel comfortable doing that. Mayor Hopkins also told Debbie to have the attorney put a stipulation in the contract that citizens can't rent the building if they have a past due balance. Debbie also said that the recreation committee is requesting \$400.00 for the annual trunk or treat on October 31, 2022. Jim Zvolanek motioned to approve giving the recreation committee \$400.00 for Trunk or Treat, Rebekah Tripp 2nd. Motion carried.
- Chief of Police – Jeff Weigel – Absent – Car is still at Marmie's being worked on.

Payment of Bills: Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to pay the bills, Rebekah Tripp 2nd. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 PM, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried.

Anthony Hopkins
Tom Wilkinson
Jim Zvolanek
Rebekah Tripp

ATTEST

Debra S. Stroede-Kralik
City Clerk