

City of Kanopolis
February 13, 2024, 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 February 13, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Kanopolis City Hall.

Present: Council members Michelle Schwerdtfeger, Brian Pruitt, Tom Wilkinson and Jim Zvolanek.

Absent: Rebekah Tripp

Presiding: Mayor Anthony Hopkins

Citizens: Thaniel Monaco, Karen Bonar

Approval of minutes: Jim Zvolanek motioned to approve the minutes dated January 11, 2024, Michelle Schwerdtfeger 2nd. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Brian Pruitt motioned to approve the Treasurer's report dated January 2024, Tom Wilkinson 2nd. Motion carried.

Citizens: None.

Old Business:

- Water Project – Mayor Hopkins asked if we could pass on the water project until Thaniel Monaco arrived. Once Thaniel arrived we continued with the water project. Thaniel said that he had a meeting with Dan Fischer from USDA Rural Development, who took over after Dave Barber's passing. Dan Fischer is requesting an additional two weeks to take our case to the State director and then if needed to the National director. Dan said that he believes the city is entitled to the grant but cannot find anyone to grant the waiver. If after the two weeks, the Mayor will contact our State Senators and or Congressmen.
- Review Emergency Water Supply Plan – Debbie Kralik updated the contact information & the Mayor will need to sign.
- Park Bathrooms – Insurance approved the bid from Ponton Construction for \$27,760.00 to repair the park bathrooms. Brian Pruitt approved the bid from Ponton Construction for \$27,760.00, Michelle Schwerdtfeger 2nd. Motion carried. Debbie to contact Ponton Construction regarding tearing down the bathrooms.
- Sewer Ponds – Equipment has been moved in to begin sludging the sewer ponds. Mike Bunch said it should be started by the end of this week or the

beginning of next week. Mikie also said that there was a hang up with KDHE wanting them to do one sewer pond at a time. Mike said that a letter will need to be sent to Manes, Weigl, Hays & Wacker to let them know we will be sludging the sewer ponds. Debbie to draft the letter & send.

New business:

- QuickBooks Online – Debbie wanted to let the council know that they are doing away with QuickBooks desktop & moving to QuickBooks Online. It has doubled in cost & wanted the council to be aware of this. Mayor Hopkins asked if there were any other software available. Debbie said that she checked on other software, but the auditors only use QuickBooks.

- Cemetery – Debbie Kralik was contacted by Kay Brooks about being buried in the cemetery without being embalmed. Although the current ordinance does not have any information regarding this procedure, Debbie told the council that there should be an amendment to the ordinance that approves this procedure. Debbie to send to the attorney to draft an ordinance.

Committee Reports:

- City Employees – Mike Bunch – Nothing to report.
- Municipal Judge – Absent.
- City Properties – Rebekah Tripp – Absent.
- Sewer & Cemetery – Jim Zvolanek – Nothing to report.
- Streets & Alleys – Brian Pruitt – Brian to get with the Mayor & Mike to look at streets for slurry sealing. Brian also said the fireman's appreciation BBQ is scheduled for April 27, 2024. Maupin BBQ is scheduled to provide the food.
- Water – Tom Wilkinson – Nothing to report.
- Mayor – Mayor Hopkins – John Parrish contacted the Mayor regarding getting on the schedule for jet pumping the sewer lines this year. Mayor Hopkins asked Debbie to put this on next month's agenda. Mayor Hopkins also said the Smoky Hill Community Foundation was looking for a place to hold their meetings & if the council was ok if they used the library free of charge. The council agreed.
- President of Council – Michelle Schwerdtfeger – Nothing to report.
- City Clerk - Debbie Kralik – Debbie received an email from KDOT that they will have their cost share program open again this year. The council declined to apply at this time.
- Chief of Police – Jeff Weigel – Absent

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

Adjournment: Michelle Schwerdtfeger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m., Brian Pruitt 2nd. Motion carried.

Mayor Anthony Hopkins
Tom Wilkinson
Jim Zvolanek
Brian Pruitt
Michelle Schwerdtfeger

ATTEST

Debra S. Stroede-Kralik
City Clerk