

City of Kanopolis
March 12, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Kanopolis City Hall
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Kanopolis, KS 67454

The council of the City of Kanopolis met in regular session on March 12, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Kanopolis City Hall.

Present: Council members Brian Pruitt, Tom Wilkinson and Jim Zvolanek.
Absent: Rebekah Tripp, Michelle Schwerdtfeger
Presiding: Mayor Anthony Hopkins
Citizens: Danielle Hollingsworth, Karen Bonar, Lucas Barta, Stacey Gustin, Bud Kyler, Teresa Kyler, Linnea Beebe

Approval of minutes: Tom Wilkinson motioned to approve the minutes dated February 13, 2024, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Jim Zvolanek motioned to approve the Treasurer's report dated February 2024, Brian Pruitt 2nd. Motion carried.

Citizens:

- Bud & Teresa Kyler asked the council if it was okay to put curb & guttering in front of their house. The City would need to widen the street. Brian Pruitt motioned to approve Bud & Teresa Kyler putting curb & guttering in front of their house, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried. Bud will meet with Mike about widening the street.
- Linnea Beebe asked the council if the Civic's Club could store their records at the Community Center. She said that if the city cleans out the storage room on the north side of the building, they could fit the records in there. Mike Bunch said that he wouldn't feel comfortable throwing anything in the storage room away without the approval of the fire department & Civic's Club. Debbie Kralik said that they will need a representative from Civic's Club & the fire department, along with herself & Mike Bunch to clean out the room. Linnea also let the council know that the Civic's Club will be purchasing new white tables & would like to get rid of the older heavier tables. The Civic's Club will keep a few so people can put crock pots & hot items on the old tables & it won't burn them. She also said that they are looking a helping put a walking track on the east side of the football field. She also said that the ceiling tiles are horrible at the community room. Mike Bunch to get an estimate for new tiles.

Old Business:

- Water Project – Mayor Hopkins said that he contacted Thaniel Monaco regarding the water tower. At this time, there was still no final decision about the funding & the grant, but USDA-RD is feeling hopeful for them to be approved. Mayor Hopkins said that he met with a representative from Senator Marshall's office & discussed the water project. Mayor Hopkins said that if he needed to, he could call the Senator for help.
- Sewer Ponds – Mike Bunch said that the south pond has been dredged. He said that due to the type of machinery they used, they tore up the fields. Gary Donley had to hire someone to fix his fields. Mike thinks that the city should reimburse the property owners for the extra expenses incurred. Mayor Hopkins told Mike to have them submit an invoice for payment. Mike said that the north sewer pond should not have to be completed at this time. The council approved not dredging the north pond at this time.
- Ordinance 2024-O-01 Establishing rules and regulations for the Cemetery. The ordinance was made to ensure compliance with all state rules and regulations regarding burials because she was asked about embalming. Brian Pruitt motioned to approve Ordinance 2024-O-01, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried.
- Drinking Water Protection Program – Debbie Kralik received an email from Joel Negrych at KDHE extending the DWPP Until 12/31/2025. Pamela Hays is sending out letters for a meeting on 3/21/24 at 6:00 p.m. at the Kanopolis Community Center to try to generate more interest.
- America Rescue Plan Act funds will be used to help pay for the dredging of the sewer ponds. All funds will be depleted.

New business:

- Jet pumping of sewer lines by John Parrish. Mayor Hopkins asked Mike if he had heard from John about jet pumping the sewer lines. Mike had not heard from him. Mayor Hopkins to give John's phone # to Mike.
- Adams Brown Audit – Daneille Hollinsworth presented the audit for 2023. During the audit, they found 1 statute violation. There were no budget or cash violations. She recommended a password policy be put in place. She explained that if a specific fund balance doesn't have any cash in it and you pay for something out of that fund, it will result in a cash violation, even if there is still money left in the budget. Brian Pruitt motioned to approve the 2023 Audit from Adams Brown, Tom Wilkinson 2nd. Motion carried.
- Insurance Renewal – Lucas Barta presented 2 renewal quotes. Continental Western Group quoted \$29,707.00 & EMC quoted \$30,110.00. Lucas said that EMC is pretty aggressive trying to get municipalities but over the last several years have had loss due to natural disasters. CWG has not had any losses over the last couple of decades so they can be more competitive. Brian Pruitt motioned to accept the Continental Western Group Insurance quote for \$29,707.00, Tom Wilkinson 2nd. Motion carried.

- The recreation department asked for \$400.00 for the Easter Egg Hunt. Due to having a cash balance of \$0, Brian Pruitt motioned to approve giving the recreation department \$400.00 out of the General fund, Jim Zvolanek 2nd. Motion carried.

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 & Mike checked the streets that will need to be slurry sealed. Mike & Aaron will need to get the streets ready.
- Mayor – Mayor Hopkins – Mayor Hopkins asked Mike if he could fill the pothole in front of his house with AB3. Mayor Hopkins said he was approached by the Ellsworth Are Council on Aging about having open board positions for the City of Kanopolis. He would like Debbie to put a note in the water bills & post on Facebook.
- President of Council – Michelle Schwerdtfeger – Absent.
- City Clerk - Debbie Kralik – Debbie received a letter from KDHE regarding Nitrate monitoring on Well #8. Due to having 4 consecutive quarterly samples below the maximum contaminant level, KDHE has reduced the frequency of samples from quarterly to annually. Debbie received a call from World Pest Control regarding spraying the city buildings. Mayor Hopkins asked her to get a quote on the price.
- Chief of Police – Jeff Weigel – Absent

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

Adjournment: Jim Zvolanek motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m., Tom Wilkinson 2nd. Motion carried.

Mayor Anthony Hopkins
Tom Wilkinson
Jim Zvolanek
Brian Pruitt
Michelle Schwerdtfeger

ATTEST

Debra S. Stroede-Kralik
City Clerk