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City of Peabody  
Minutes of the City Council Meeting  
May 10, 2021

Office of the City Clerk  
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**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Spencer at 7:00 p.m. on gotomeeting.com and in the Council Room at City Hall located at 300 N. Walnut, Peabody, Kansas. The following council members were present: Lindsay Hutchison, Travis Wilson, Alan Gillen, Rick Reynolds and Jay Gfeller. A quorum was established.

**STAFF:** City Clerk- Jylle Wilson, Beth Peter- Court Clerk, Lori Pickens- Treasurer

**VISITORS:** NM Patton, Rachel Winter, Jenny Hurst, Cathy & Darren Weems, Kim Nellans, Chris Talkington, Pandea Smith, Hannah Bourbon, Rachel Wattson, Janice Woodruff, Darin Newfeld-EBH, Denae Kyle, Paula Harris, Tracy Woodruff

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**I. MINUTES:**

The council reviewed minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on April 26

**II. APPROPRIATIONS:**

PAYROLL 2021 4C	\$11,047.72
PAYROLL 2021 4C extra tax & benefits	\$ 5,989.60
PAYABLES 2021 5A	<u>\$170,984.34</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$188,021.66</b>

**MOTION** by Jay to approve April 26 minutes, Lindsay seconded. Motion Carried 5-0.

**MOTION** by Travis to approve Payroll and Payroll tax & benefits 4C and Payables 5A, Lindsay seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT:**  
**Suspended at this time**

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION** by Jay to approve the agenda with the addition of Cathy Weems, Chris Talkington and a 15 minute executive session under personnel, seconded by Travis. Motion carried 5-0.

**V. AGENDA ITEMS:**

Darin presented the bids for the Street Project. There was a total of 7 bidders.  
Motion by Travis to accept Andale Construction bid of \$622,785.05, pending the approval of the School board, with a start date of July 7, seconded by Alan. Motion carried 5-0.

Cathy Weems would like to have new parking lines painted in front of the Peabody Market. She plans on closing off the north drive and would like to add 2 new stalls there. Public Works will paint them once she is ready.

Chris Talkington recently purchased 805 N Plum. The previous owner received a mowing violation letter, it will take more than the allowed 10 days to clean up the property. Council consensus is that the "investigation" into the violation would have to start over since it has changed owners.

**Reports from Standing Committees:**

1. **Water (Gfeller, Gillen) – nothing else to report**
2. **Streets and Alleys (Spencer, Wilson, Reynolds) –** Public Works has been out patching holes.
3. **Sanitation (Gfeller, Hutchison) –** nothing to report.
4. **Lights (Gfeller, Gillen)-** nothing to report.
5. **Fire (Reynolds, Hutchison) –** nothing to report
6. **Park and Swimming Pool (Spencer, Hutchison, Gillen) –**  
Motion by Travis to purchase paint for no more than \$1,600, and to have Trent acid etch the pool and paint it, seconded by Rick. Motion carried 5-0.
7. **Building (Gfeller, Reynolds) –**  
Motion by Travis to put Brian Simmonds on the Peabody Housing Authority Board to replace Marion Rowland, seconded by Jay. Motion carried 5-0.
8. **Finance and Ordinance (Spencer, Wilson, Hutchison) –**  
Motion by Jay to reinstate public comment as it was before the COVID pandemic, seconded by Alan. Motion carried 5-0
9. **Economic Development Committee (Gfeller, Hutchison) –**nothing to report.
10. **Personnel (Spencer, Wilson, Reynolds) –**  
Motion by Travis to go into a 15 minute executive session with Council, Mayor and Clerk to discuss non-elected personnel, seconded by Jay. Motion carried 5-0. (8:17pm)  
Back in regular session at 8:32pm  
Motion by Travis to hire Hadley Clark at \$7.75/hr and Tanner Parks at \$7.25/hr as lifeguards, seconded by Jay. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Travis to hire Breanna Lett as the Pool Manager with a salary of \$5,000 for the summer, seconded by Rick. Motion carried 5-0.  
Motion by Travis to hire Japheth Dunnahoo as Part Time Public Works at a rate of \$10/hr with a \$30 cell allowance, seconded by Alan. Motion carried 5-0.

**Report from the Mayor-** had the ground breaking ceremony at the park and the kids all had a great time.

**VI. ENCLOSURES:**

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PAYABLES 2021 5A

**VII. ITEMS TO BE ON AGENDA FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Water Tower Transfer Switch

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no more business to be brought before the council.

**MOTION** by Jay to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion was seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 5-0.

**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct recording of the proceedings of the governing body of the City of Peabody, Kansas, held on the date stated therein, and that the official minutes of such proceedings are on file in my office.

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Jylle Wilson, City Clerk