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City of Peabody

Minutes of the City Council Meeting

November 29, 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. in the Council Room at City Hall located at 300 N. Walnut, Peabody, Kansas. The following council members were present: Jay Gfeller, Lindsay Hutchison, Alan Gillen, Rick Reynolds and Travis Wilson. A quorum was established.

**STAFF:** Treasurer- Lori Pickens , Bruce Burke – Chief of Police, Zac Thackston-Public Works, Beth Peter- Court Clerk

**VISITORS**: Pandea Smith, Cathy Weems, NM Patton, Linda Wetta, Sherri Buck, Tana Clegg, Joey Hutchison, Kim Nellans, NM Patton

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**I**. **MINUTES:**

The council reviewed minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on November 8; no changes were made.

**II. APPROPRIATIONS**:

PAYROLL 2021 11A $ 9,112.02

PAYROLL 2021 11A extra tax & benefits $ 9,603.64

PAYROLL 2021 11B $10,070.87

PAYROLL 2021 11B extra tax & benefits $ 9,676.42

PAYABLES 2021 11A $17,312.35

**Total**  **$55,775.30**

**MOTION** by Lindsay to approve November 8 minutes, Alan seconded. Motion Carried 4-0-1(Travis abstained)

**MOTION** by Lindsay to approve Payroll and Payroll tax & benefits 11A & 11B and Payables 11A, Alan seconded. Motion Carried 5-0

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Tana Clegg asked about a tree that fell from her neighbor’s yard.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION** by Travis to approve the agenda with the addition of Planning & Zoning and Sherri Buck, and (2) 15 minute executive sessions under Personnel, seconded by Alan. Motion carried 5-0.

**V. AGENDA ITEMS:**

Jeff Holt was unable to attend the meeting, sent an email to the mayor. There are several dog cases going through Municipal Court currently. Bruce will set up a meeting with the Judge, prosecutor and the Ordinance Committee.

Planning and Zoning would recommend to go ahead with the vacation of N Olive St, and would recommend that the person requesting the vacation pay for all the fees associated with that.

**EMPLOYEE REPORTS**

**POLICE-** Chief went over his monthly reports.

Motion by Lindsay to have a hearing for 116 W 3rd at 6pm on December 13th with the regular meeting to immediately follow, seconded by Rick. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Jay to approve the Santa Escort on December 4th, seconded by Travis. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Travis to approve the barricade request for December 4th from 2pm to 7:30pm, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 5-0.

**TREASURER**

Motion by Lindsay to approve the pass-thru of the $1/mo increase of trash and recycle service, seconded by Travis. Motion carried 5-0.

**CLERK**

The City was awarded the Cost Share Grant by KDOT for the 4th Street Phase of the application that was submitted.

Motion by Travis to send Allen to a water refresher in Emporia on December 8th to include meals and mileage, seconded by Alan. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Travis to have Knudson and Monroe do the 2021 Audit, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 5-0.

**Reports from Standing Committees:**

1. **Water (Gfeller, Gillen) –** nothing
2. **Streets and Alleys (Spencer, Wilson, Reynolds)** –nothing to report.

1. **Sanitation (Gfeller, Hutchison) –** nothing to report.
2. **Lights (Gfeller, Gillen) –** light at the pool is out on the east side. Contact Elcon to schedule.
3. **Fire (Reynolds, Hutchison) –** get with Rob about the Fire Department, want to have a decision made before December 27th.
4. **Park and Swimming Pool (Spencer, Hutchison, Gillen) –** concrete will be poured December 3rd
5. **Building (Gfeller, Reynolds) –** nothing to report.
6. **Finance and Ordinance (Spencer, Wilson, Hutchison)** – nothing to report.
7. **Economic Development Committee (Gfeller, Hutchison) –** nothing to report.
8. **Personnel (Spencer, Wilson, Reynolds) –** Motion by Travis to go into a 15 minute executive to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Council, Mayor, Clerk and Chief Burke, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 5-0. (9:35p)

Back in regular session at 9:47pm. No action from executive.

Motion by Travis to go into a 15minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters with Council, Mayor and Clerk, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 5-0. (9:53pm)

Back in regular session at 10:08pm.

Motion by Travis to offer Darren Pickens the Public Works Director position at $24/hr starting at his earliest convenience, seconded by Rick. Motion carried 5-0.

**Report from the Mayor** –

Motion by Lindsay to appoint Pandea Smith to the Planning and Zoning to replace Jimmy Tennant, seconded by Travis. Motion carried 5-0.

VI.  **ENCLOSURES:**

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PAYABLES 2021 11B

**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 Travis to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alan. 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