

Approved

City of Peabody
Minutes of the City Council Meeting
August 8, 2022

Office of the City Clerk
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CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Spencer at 7:01 p.m. in the Council Room at City Hall located at 300 N. Walnut, Peabody, Kansas. The following council members were present: Alan Gillen, Catherine Weems, Jay Gfeller, and Lindsay Hutchison. A quorum was established.

STAFF: Bruce Burke – Chief of Police, Beth Peter – Court Clerk, Taylor Ensminger – City Clerk

VISITORS: Linda Martinez, David Beckner, Darin Neufeld, Jacob Bruntz, Morgan Marler, Dustin Brinkman, Pandea Smith, Joe Uhlman, and Megan McKeon

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I. MINUTES:

The council reviewed minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on July 25th and the Special Meeting held on July 28th;

II. APPROPRIATIONS:

PAYROLL 2022 7C	\$14,205.48
PAYROLL 2022 7C extra tax & benefits	\$10,777.57
PAYABLES 2022 7C	<u>\$16,786.47</u>
Total	\$41,769.52

MOTION by Jay to approve July 25th minutes, seconded by Alan. Motion carried 4-0

MOTION by Jay to approve July 28th minutes, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 3-0-1 with Catherine abstaining.

MOTION by Catherine to approve Payroll and Payroll tax & benefits 7C and Payables 7C, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 4-0.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Beckner thanked the city for fixing the holes in the alley by his house.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Lindsay to approve the agenda, seconded by Jay. Motion carried 4-0.

V. AGENDA ITEMS:

Dustin Brinkman and Megan McKeon, gWorks representatives, presented information about their accounting and HR software and discussed a quote they provided the council at the end of June.

Jacob Bruntz asked about updating an ordinance to allow alternate vehicles to travel on 9th Street.

Morgan Marler and Daren Neufeld notified council that the concrete floor at 107 and 109 Walnut has been poured. They also asked council to reconsider their decision to require that concrete be used for the STEM walls and instead use pressure treated wood, which is a FEMA approved flood resistant material.

MOTION by Jay to have Planning & Zoning revisit the PMSA Floodplain Variance application at their next meeting on August 15th to discuss the way this approval is worded and to redefine that the walls below the floor be referred to as STEM walls and the walls above the floor be referred to as PONY walls, seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried 4-0.

Darin spoke with the USDA to discuss the city's water and they determined that with our current water rates that they don't currently have a funding option for Peabody.

Reports from Standing Committees:

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

The next city-wide clean-up day is October 15th.

4. **Lights (Reynolds, Gillen)** –
5. **Park and Swimming Pool (Spencer, Hutchison, Gillen)** –

11 trees are dead at the city park and there are 6 that need top work done to them at this poses a potential danger. New signs have been installed at the playground.

6. **Building (Gillen, Reynolds)** –

Roundhouse repair will be able to begin this Fall. The 4th Fest and the Historical Society are helping to pay for this project.

MOTION by Lindsay to cover \$4,285.90 to Prairie Creek Painting and Remodeling to make changes to the roundhouse, seconded by Jay. Motion carried 4-0.

Jay would like to see if Prairie Creek Painting and Remodeling could look at the City Building.

7. **Finance and Ordinance (Spencer, Weems, Hutchison)** –

MOTION by Lindsay to approve Ordinance 2022-2, seconded by Catherine. Motion carried 4-0.

8. **Economic Development Committee (Gfeller, Hutchison)** –

Lindsay applied for Marion County Leadership Program and was accepted. There will be several meetings through September and October touring places in Marion County as well as leadership classes.

MOTION by Jay to pay \$50.00 registration fee for Lindsay to attend the Marion County Leadership Program, seconded by Catherine. Motion carried 3-0-1 with Lindsay abstaining.

Tom received the report prepared by Wichita State University after the community housing meeting.

Christy Davis from KS Department of Agriculture met with Lindsay, Tom, Joey Hutchison, and Taylor to discuss what the needs are in Peabody in order to find funding and resources.

9. **Personnel (Spencer, Hutchison, Weems)** – nothing to report

Report from the Mayor – nothing to report.

VI. **ENCLOSURES:**

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VII. ITEMS TO BE ON AGENDA FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

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

MOTION by Lindsay to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m., seconded by Catherine. Motion carried 4-0.

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.

(SEAL)

Taylor Ensminger, City Clerk