

**CITY OF LOUISBURG, KANSAS  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

The Council of the City of Louisburg, Kansas met at 6:30 p.m. in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Curt Shreckengaust presiding. Councilmember Glenna Windisch was absent.

Council Members David Cannon, Carolyn Karns, Steve Ward, Steve Town  
City Administrator, Jeff Cantrell  
City Clerk, Traci Storey  
City Attorney, Mary Stephenson  
Press Jesse Trimble, Kristen Waggener  
Visitors Mike and Lesley Seuferling, Rev. Donna VotEAU, Pastor Sandy Harris and Chris Kelly

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Steve Ward moved, seconded by Councilmember Carolyn Karns and carried 4-0, to approve the consent agenda, to include adoption of the agenda, approval of the minutes of the January 18, 2010 Council meeting, and approval of the amended bills.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

Mike and Lesley Seuferling of 101 S. 5<sup>th</sup> spoke to the Council regarding sidewalks on the east side of their property. They requested the Council waive the sidewalk requirements on the on the east side. If they were to add on to their current home, sidewalks would not have to be put in due to the original structure remaining intact. But if they tear down and rebuild, new sidewalks would have to be put in. Cantrell explained that if more than 50% of the original structure is lost then similarly, the grandfathering status will also be lost, necessitating full compliance with the terms of the ordinance. It was further suggested that plans be formally submitted to the city to allow completion of a standard planning review. Staff will then return recommendations to the governing body that are consistent with the terms of the ordinance. Currently in such instances, the ordinance allows sidewalks to be installed or payment in lieu of sidewalk installation.

Pastor Sandy Harris and Reverend Donna VotEAU addressed the Council regarding various signage concerns and objections pertaining to the current sign regulations. They asked about the current ordinances and enforcement remedies associated with unlawful signage. After lengthy discussion, the council concurred that the issue should remain within the scope of the planning commission while the matter undergoes further review. Cantrell suggested that an override not be considered by the council and that the planning commission had previously given extensive consideration to all of the concerns that were raised tonight with the possible exception of the Ministerial Alliance being considered as a common linkage point for future permitting requests made by local churches.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chris Kelly remains opposed to the growth area. He would like the Council to notify county residents, prior to any decision, to see exactly where the growth area would be. Cantrell advised that the recent work session was intended to provide elected and appointed officials an opportunity to investigate the previous problems and potential benefits of a modified agreement with the county. All parties agree that there were complications with the previous arrangement, hence the reason for the work sessions.

### **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None

### **COUNCIL/COMMISSION REPORTS**

None

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Curt Shreckengaust read a thank you note from the Stevens family for flowers that were sent.

Mayor Shreckengaust presented a Proclamation that proclaims the month of February as Lung Cancer Awareness Month. Councilmember

David Cannon moved, seconded by Councilmember Steve Ward and carried 4-0, to proclaim February as Lung Cancer Awareness Month.

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

City Administrator Jeff Cantrell presented the 2010 Swimming Pool Schedule and Fees. Councilmember Carolyn Karns moved, seconded by Councilmember Steve Ward and carried 4-0, to approve the 2010 Pool Schedule and Fees as presented. This will result in the swimming pool being closed earlier than in previous years to allow reduction of fixed costs. The date of closure will coincide with the first back to school day as scheduled by USD # 416.

Administrator Cantrell presented a proposal from WKT Communications for a new phone system for City Hall. Councilmember Steve Ward moved, seconded by Councilmember David Cannon and carried 4-0, to approve the purchase of a new phone system from WKT Communications for an amount estimated at \$4,850.10.

Administrator Cantrell asked for a 10-minute executive session to discuss a legal matter. Councilmember Carolyn Karns moved, seconded by Councilmember Steve Ward and carried 4-0, to approve a 10-minute executive session to discuss a legal matter.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Council recessed to executive session at 7:15 p.m. and reconvened in regular session at 7:25 p.m.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:26 p.m. Councilmember Steve Ward moved, seconded by Councilmember Carolyn Karns and carried 4-0, to adjourn the meeting.

Approved:

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Curt Shreckengaust, Mayor

Attest:

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Traci Storey, City Clerk