

**CITY OF LOUISBURG, KANSAS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, May 18, 2009**

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.

Council Members David Cannon, Sid Mitchell, Glena Windisch,
Carolyn Karns, Steve Ward
City Attorney Marvin Barkis
City Administrator Jeff Cantrell
City Clerk Traci Storey
Press Kristen Waggener
City Engineer Rita Cassida
Visitors Sue Knop, Dave Rogers, Steve Petrehn

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Sid Mitchell moved, seconded by Councilmember David Cannon and after further discussion regarding the public comments under each agenda item, it failed 2-3 with Councilmembers Windisch, Karns and Ward voting no. Suggestions that were made from Councilmembers including having a sign-in sheet for each Council meeting. The public could sign the sheet if they wanted to address the Council on a specific item. The public would then speak before the item was discussed by the Council. The public comments under each item that was on the May 18th agenda would be removed. A motion was made by Councilmember Carolyn Karns, seconded by Councilmember Glena Windisch and carried 3-2, with Councilmembers Mitchell and Cannon voting no, to approve the consent agenda, to include adoption of the agenda, with the removal of public comments under each item, approval of the May 4, 2009 minutes removing “allowing public comments on each agenda action item” and approval of the bills list.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Sue Knop representing Elliott Insurance Company presented the Council with an insurance dividend check from EMC in the amount of \$11,762.07. Mrs. Knop thanked the Mayor and Council and the City of Louisburg for its participation in the Kansas Municipal Utilities Safety

Group Insurance Group. They look forward to serving the City for years to come.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

City Engineer Rita Cassida presented the Safe Routes to School agreement (Bridging the Gap) to the Council. USD 416 School Board endorsed the proposal from Bridging the Gap at their last meeting. Steve Petrehn of Safe Routes to School spoke to the Council regarding the agreement. Councilmember Glenna Windisch moved to enter into the agreement with Bridging the Gap. Councilmember Steve Ward seconded the motion, and after further discussion it carried 5-0, in an amount not to exceed \$25,489.35.

Engineer Cassida presented a map which shows the proposed street improvements for 2009. With the exception on N. 14th, the improvements will consist of roadway reclamation and a 4" asphalt overlay. This is consistent with the street improvements completed in 2008. North 14th is constructed with curb and gutter that does not have full depth asphalt. This street requires reconstruction with 8" of asphalt. The estimated amount for the improvements is \$325,000. Administrator Cantrell will interview with different contractors. Councilmember Glenna Windisch moved, seconded by Councilmember Sid Mitchell and carried 5-0, to approve the street improvements for 2009.

COUNCIL REPORT

Councilmember Sid Mitchell inquired about S. 5th and Metcalf and Harvest Drive and K-68. Councilmember Mitchell stated the stripes on these streets are not visible. Administrator Cantrell will be having public works paint the stripes.

Councilmember Glenna Windisch stated the pothole on Broadway and Amity needs to be patched. Councilmember Windisch also inquired about the mowing at homes that have been repossessed. Administrator Jeff Cantrell explained how the City was handling the mowing of properties. Councilmember Windisch also inquired about the business cards for the Councilmembers. Windisch stated the City is trying to save money and if the Councilmembers want them they should be responsible for purchasing

their own cards. Councilmember Mitchell stated he will purchase his own cards.

MAYOR'S REPORT

David Rogers (Certified Hunter Education Safety Instructor) spoke to the Mayor and Council requesting special permission to conduct training exercises with a BB gun at Lewis/Young Park for Louisburg Scout Pack 3101 on Saturday, June 6th. Backstops will be placed behind all targets. The shooting location will be inspected by Louisburg Police Department prior to the event. Councilmember David Cannon moved, seconded by Councilmember Sid Mitchell, and carried 5-0, to approve the special authorization to let Pack 3101 use BB guns at Lewis/Young Park on June 6 for special training.

Mayor Curt Shreckengaust presented the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Proclamation to the City Council. Councilmember Steve Ward moved, seconded by Councilmember Carolyn Karns and carried 5-0, to have the Mayor sign the NIMS Proclamation.

Mayor Shreckengaust inquired about KP&F retirement for the Fire and Police Departments. Councilmembers stated we had spoke of this a couple of months back and the City is not in the position to afford KP&F for these employees. Councilmember Sid Mitchell stated he would like to have it to keep police officers from leaving the Louisburg area. Administrator Cantrell will get the numbers of the cost to Mayor Shreckengaust.

Mayor Shreckengaust read a thank you note from the Louisburg Band for the donation of two pool passes the City gave for the Band Garage Sale.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Sue Knop, representing the Rotary, presented the City a check in the amount of \$417.00 for the completion of playground equipment at Ron Weers Park. The Rotary is also hosting an appreciation BBQ cookout on June 7th from 4-7 p.m. at Ron Weers Park. City Administrator Jeff Cantrell stated an inspection of the playground equipment would be conducted when the playground is completed. The Lions Club and Rotary Club will be helping put the playground equipment together. The City's portion of the playground equipment is in the amount of \$15,000.00. Councilmember

Glena Windisch moved, seconded by Councilmember Steve Ward and carried 5-0, to purchase the playground equipment from Miracle Recreation Equipment Company in the amount of \$15,417.00.

Administrator Cantrell recently met with the Miami County Rural Fire Board to discuss their desire to increase rural fire call compenstaion from \$20.00 to \$25.00 per call. Currently the City and Rural pay \$20.00 per call for all fires. The last increase occurred approximately ten years ago. Councilmember David Cannon moved, seconded by Councilmember Steve Ward and carried 5-0, to change the rate of each fire call to \$25.00.

Administrator Cantrell asked for a 10-minute executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Councilmember Carolyn Karns moved, seconded by Councilmember Glena Windisch and carried 5-0 to have a 10-minute executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council recessed to executive session at 7:41 p.m. and reconvened in regular session at 7:51 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:52 p.m. Councilmember Steve Ward moved, seconded by Councilmember Carolyn Karns and carried 5-0, to adjourn the meeting.

Approved:

Curt Shreckengaust, Mayor

Attest:

Traci Storey, City Clerk