

Minutes of the August 7, 2023 Robinson City Council Meeting, Approved

Robinson City Council held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, August 7, 2023 at the Community Center. Mayor Lieneman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilpersons Traxler, Griswold, Malott, and Taylor and City Clerk Macy Bryant were in attendance. Code Enforcement Officer James Traxler and Doug Monson were also in attendance.

Presentations: None.

Public Comment: None.

Committee/ Department Reports: July financials for the Fire Department were approved.

Financials: Councilwoman Traxler motioned to approve the May 2023 Financials. Councilwoman Griswold seconded the motion. All in favor, financials were approved.

Administrative: Councilman Malott motioned to approve the July 3, 2023 Minutes with corrections. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor, minutes were approved.

Councilman Malott motioned to approve the July 26, 2023 Minutes. Councilwoman Traxler seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Old Business: Councilwoman Griswold motioned to sell the city tractor to John Geiger for \$4,100.00 with payment made by August 15, 2023. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

The city is looking to increase utility rates, the way to make this fair for the city and it's residents is through a rate analysis. Councilwoman Traxler motioned to have City Clerk Macy Bryant reach out and get prices on how much this would cost. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilwoman Griswold motioned to set a policy in place saying that the city will split the cost fifty-fifty for any new or upgraded infrastructure to any home, business or building with the customer or property owner. Infrastructure including electric, water and sewer. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

New Business: The city received a proposal from RS Electric for line work to be done. Councilman Taylor motioned to table the proposal until we have heard back from KMEA with their proposal. Councilwoman Traxler seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilwoman Griswold motioned to allow T&R to come test our old transformers for free and if they pass the test, allowing T&R to purchase them. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Taylor motioned to amend the agenda, adding Tractor Bids under New Business. Councilwoman Griswold seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

The city is looking for a new tractor and received bids from Skyview Equipment and John Deere. Councilman Malott motioned to table the bids until August 8, 2023 where it will be discussed further. Councilwoman Traxler seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Correspondence: None.

Building Permit Applications: None.

Code Enforcement Report: Door hangers were left at 215 Temple and 301 Main, stating they needed to clean up the overgrown vegetation around the properties. James Traxler has been back to these properties and progress is being made. The council was given the City of Hiawatha's rental house program sheet to look over. James Traxler will be contacting the city attorney with questions the council had concerning writing tickets for violations and holding court. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. James also asked the council what they thought about finding another code enforcement officer to help him but no action was taken at this time.

City Clerk Report: The Budget Hearing will be Friday, August 11, 2023 at 7 p.m. The League of Kansas Municipalities sent out reminders for their 7th grade essay contest, if you would like more information on this please contact City Hall.

City Council Reports/ Concerns:

Councilman Taylor: There is a white dog running at large around town. James Traxler contacted the owners last week and notified them that the dog must be on a leash but the dog is still walking around with no leash. James is planning to contact the Brown County Sheriffs office and ask what the city can do about this.

Councilwoman Griswold: Wanted to make sure that trash can lids had purchased for the trash cans down town. She also asked if the property owners or the city were responsible for taking care of the driveway drainage tubes. Macy Bryant will contact the city attorney for clarification on this.

Councilwoman Traxler: None.

Councilman Malott: The stove in the Community Center needs to be checked for a gas leak. 415 Golden Gate is putting up a shed in the back yard but has not gotten building permit. There was graffiti on the bridge on the South end of town and the city guys painted over it.

Mayor Report/ Concerns: On July 29, 2023 there was a storm that caused a tree branch to fall onto a transformer that blew a fuse causing the South side of town to lose power. RS Electric came to fix it costing the city around \$1,700.00.

Pay Bills: Councilman Taylor motioned to pay bills. Councilwoman Traxler seconded the motion. All in favor, bills were paid.

Adjournment: Councilwoman Griswold motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Taylor seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.

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Macy Bryant,

City Clerk

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Mark Lieneman,

Mayor

