Unofficial Minutes of the City of Dighton

Regular Council Meeting held June 13, 2022

Mayor Annita Lorimor called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm in City Hall. Those present included: Council members Christine Birney-Carter, Janet Shapland, Marlene Rupp, and Curt Hanna. Also present were Attorney Dale Pike, Sheriff Bryan Kough, Officer Travis Stephenson, Steve Porter, Judy Scott, Ajit Kumar, Hemlataben Patel, Superintendent Craig Collins, Deputy Clerk Michelle Wilkison and City Clerk Nicole Strobel.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to approve the consent agenda, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Steve Porter reported that Dollar General is done.

Mayor Annita Lorimor discussed getting a server for the office from Central Plains Computer Service. Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to purchase the used server from Central Plains Computer Service for $4500.00 and labor for installation, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, all yeas, motion carried.

Mayor Annita Lorimor reported she got a hold of Caleb Schultz about the artwork on the signs as you come into Dighton and using it for City of Dighton letterhead.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland discussed bonds and tabled until meeting with auditors.

Councilwoman Marlene Rupp asked if the alley between 144 N. Central and 622 E. James was an open or closed alley. Superintendent Craig Collins reported that it was a closed alley.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland asked about city code and who was responsible for damaged sidewalks.

Councilman Curt Hanna discussed the pool and looking into getting security cameras.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter reported on media for the city.

Sheriff Bryan Kough talked to the council about purchasing dog and snake poles to help with safety of the officers. Discussion was held about patrolling around the pool.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to amend the agenda, adding G. Fireworks, H. Auditors and I. Lane-Scott Letter under new business, Councilwoman Janet Shapland seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Court Management Software.

Employee Handbook was discussed and council members will take home the handbook and proof read. Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to table until July meeting, Councilwoman Janet Shapland seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Superintendent Craig Collins reported he had approval to get started on removing two of the bulb outs on North Main.

Owner of property on 315 S. High is planning to have the house removed has soon has contracting can be scheduled.

Councilman Curt Hanna made a motion to purchase 2 dog poles and 1 snake pole for the Sheriffs office, Councilwoman Marlene Rupp seconded, yeas by Curt Hanna and Marlene Rupp, nays by Christine Birney-Carter and Janet Shapland. Mayor Annita broke the tie vote with a yea, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Sheriffs Contract. Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion the keep the Sheriffs Contract at $148,500.00 for the year, Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter seconded, yeas by Janet Shapland, Christine Birney-Carter and Curt Hanna, nay by Marlene Rupp, motion carried.

Discussion was held on a water telemetry system, Christine Birney-Carter made the motion purchase water telemetry system from Pierce Electronic with 3 radios and 2 with headsets, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Water rates for bulk water was discussed and tabled until the July meeting.

Wages were discussed and tabled until July meeting.

Discussion was held on employee insurance; a meeting will be set up with employees.

ARPA funds were discussed, Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to use ARPA funds for the following $9704.30 for a generator for the city office, $2675.00 for nozzles for sewer truck, $125,000.00 for 2009 Vactor sewer truck and $408.09 for discharge hose for sewer truck, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to allow purchasing and discharge of fireworks starting June 27 – July 5, 2022 from 10:00 am – 11:00 pm, seconded by Councilman Curt Hanna, yeas by all, motion carried.

Mayor Annita Lorimor nominated First National Bank of Dighton as the official bank for the City of Dighton and Dighton Herald as the official newspaper for City of Dighton. Christine Birney-Carter made the motion, Councilwoman Marlene Rupp seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Discussion was held on budget meeting with auditors on June 27, 2022.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter reported there was a discrepancy between Ordinance #696 and billing. Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to change ordinance #696 to $16.50, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilwoman Christine-Birney Carter made the motion to accept ordinance #704 as proposed with changes at the end of D and example at top of page 3 to read what is currently being used, Councilwoman Marlene Rupp seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to wave the rental fee for scout house for the color run, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Discussion was held on letter received from Lane-Scott Electric it was suggested to reach out and invite them to the July meeting.

Councilman Curt Hanna made the motion to approve bills, Councilwoman Marlene Rupp, seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter moved to adjourn, Councilman Curt Hanna seconded, yeas by all motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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Annita Lorimor, Mayor Nicole Strobel, City Clerk