Unapproved Minutes of the City of Dighton

Regular Council Meeting held November, 14, 2022

Mayor Annita Lorimor called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm in City Hall. Those present included: Councilmembers Christine Birney-Carter, Craig Doris, Curtis Hanna and Janet Shapland. Also present were Superintendent Craig Collins, Steve Porter, KMEA, Gerry Bieker, KMEA, Mike Schmaderer, KMEA, SGT. Zachary Orr, Bud Newberry, A.G. Turner, Jonathan Brunswig, Dighton Pharmacy, Hailey Hawkinson, Aston Berndt, Drew Birney, Evan Wilkins, Lauryn Schmalzried, Grayson Noterman, Harper Shapland, Jordan Handy, Ariella Nevares, Brittany Payan, Deputy Clerk Michelle Wilkison and City Clerk Nicole Strobel.

Councilman Curtis Hanna made the motion to approve the agenda, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

SGT. Zachary Orr reported for the Lane County Sheriff’s office that the issue with the barking dogs was being taken care of.

Crystal Hoffman discussed the Christmas Activities that are being planned during the Lane County Old Fashion Downtown Christmas. She asked to have streets blocked from 4-7 pm on December 10, 2022. Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to block the streets needed, Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Morgan Jones with Lane County Conservation discussed the Drinking Water Protection Plan. A town hall meeting will be planned at a future date.

Jonathan Brunswig with Dighton Pharmacy discussed the Pharmacy Leases and presented bids for AC repair/replacement and fence repair.

Steve Porter with KMEA reported that the Christmas lights are up and that they are still waiting on pole testers.

Craig Collins, City Fire Chief reported they had been busy installing smoke detectors. More fire hose is need to get ICO credits where they need to be.

City Superintendent Craig Collins discussed needing something in the policy book pertaining to Paternity leave. The new water salesman has been installed and Craig asked council on the pricing. Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to set the water salesman at 32 seconds of water for 25 cents, Councilwoman Janet Shapland seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

City Clerk Nicole Strobel asked council about Christmas days off. Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter made the motion that City Hall be closed on December 23 and 26, 2022 for Christmas and closed January 2, 2023 for New Years, Councilwoman Janet Shapland seconded, yeas by all, motion carried. Nicole reported that she has received a phone call from Marcelle Burnett expressing her thanks to Superintendent Craig Collins for helping her understand the Lead and Copper Survey that the city will be conducting the near future.

Deputy Clerk Michelle Wilkison reported that the city is still waiting on paper work from First State Bank of Healy on the CD.

Councilman Craig Doris reported that he and Councilwoman Janet Shapland met with Richard McLeon with Lane-Scott Electric.

Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to amend the agenda, moving item M. Historic Heritage Hotel to item B. and moving item B. KMEA to item M., Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter showed pictures of possible ideas for swimming pool.

Lead and Copper Survey was discussed and a few changes will be made.

Panic buttons/cameras for City office was discussed and tabled until December meeting.

Discussion was held on the Pharmacy and was decided to set a date and time to meet with County Commissioners.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to allow the Municipal Court to purchase a new computer and software, Councilman Curtis Hanna seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Historic Heritage Hotel was discussed and tabled.

After hour/Friday reconnects was discussed and decided that accounts must be paid in full by noon of work day to be reconnected that day.

Pride Week dump charges were discussed.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to allow Superintendent Craig Collins to purchase a new dump trailer for $9,250.00 from Trailer Solutions minus the trade-in and discount, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Employee insurance was discussed. Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to leave as is and relook at it in June, 2023, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

IT was discussed and research will be done.

Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter made the motion to adopt the Emergency Management Policy, Councilwoman Janet Shapland seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

T-Bills were discussed.

Complaint for 300 S. Seconded was taken care of by Sheriff’s Office.

Complaint at 105 S. Third was discussed and council advised Superintendent Craig Collins to talk to the resident.

Discission was held on 613 E. Long. Council advised Superintendent Craig Collins to placard the residence until issues discussed were fixed.

Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to recess into executive session to discuss data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of second parties, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(4). The open meeting will resume at 7:40 pm in City Hall, Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter seconded, yeas by all motion carried.

KMEA will be tabled.

Councilwoman Janet Shapland made the motion to approve presentation of bills, Councilman Craig Doris seconded, yeas by all, motion carried.

Councilman Craig Doris made the motion to adjourn, Councilwoman Christine Birney-Carter seconded, yeas by all, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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Annita Lorimor, Mayor Nicole Strobel, City Clerk