

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

Russell City Council Meeting - Minutes

City Hall

Russell, KS

Present: Councilmember Aaron Talbott, Councilmember Blaine Stoppel, Councilmember Dustin Madden, Mayor Jim Cross, Councilmember Lonnie Whitten, Councilmember Andrea Garland

Absent: Councilmember Michelle Wagner, Councilmember Mitch Driscoll, Councilmember Monty Morrill

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Cross called the meeting to order at 4:30pm with the following members in attendance: City Manager Jon Quinday, City Attorney Ken Cole, Assistant City Manager Kayla Schneider, Public Works Director Rich Krause, Police Chief Jordan Harrison, Fire Chief Dylan Riedel, Building Official Roger Sells, Finance Director Katrina Woelk, City Clerk Ashley Mai and Electric Utility Director Duane Banks

2. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jim Cross led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Dustin Madden made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Blaine Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS I

None

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.a Water Source Status

Public Works Director Rich Krause gave an update on Big Creek and Pfiefer Wells

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.a Consent Agenda Items

Councilmember Dustin Madden made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Blaine Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.a Task Order 5 of the Master Services Agreement with KMEA/Mid-States for the Electric Distribution System Rebuild Design Services

Councilmember Aaron Talbott made a motion to approve approve Task Order #5 to the Master Service Agreement with KMEA/Mid States for the Fossil Street Substation Improvements. Councilmember Lonnie Whitten seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.a General Nuisance Abatement at 1250 N Kilian Street

Councilmember Dustin Madden made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the removal of the nuisance(s) from 1250 N Kilian Street. If the nuisances(s) are not abated in the required time, the city will have the nuisance(s) abated and the property brought into compliance. Costs of the abatement will be charged to the property. Councilmember Blaine Stoppel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

9. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Assistant City Manager Kayla Schneider gave an update on the Housing Project

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS II

None

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.a Consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship

Councilmember Dustin Madden made a motion to recess into executive session, to include the city manager, assistant city manager, public works director, and city attorney to discuss litigation pursuant to the consolation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in a n attorney-client relationship exception, K.S.A 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 4:55pm. Councilmember Lonnie Whitten seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed at 4:55 pm with no action taken

12. GOVERNING BODY/CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Aaron Talbott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:56 pm.
Councilmember Lonnie Whitten seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ashley Mai, City Clerk