

Special City Council Meeting Minutes
City of Larned
April 14, 2023
12:00 PM

Mayor William Nusser called the special session to order with the following Councilmembers present: Councilmember Kim Barnes, Councilmember Terry Clark, Councilmember Jason Murray (via Zoom), Councilmember Carroll Bennett (via Zoom) Councilmember Jacques Molleker, Councilmember Josh Riedel (via Zoom).

Councilmember Gary Rainbolt and Councilmember Sharon McGinness were absent.

City Manager Bradley Eilts, Finance Director Monica Steiner, City Clerk Kara Rath were also present.

Public Hearing

Mayor William Nusser asked for a motion to open the Pubic Hearing for the CDBG Grant Application.

Councilmember Barnes motioned to open the Public Hearing, Councilmember Clark seconded.

Motion passed.

Faye Trent and Hannah Sparks from Great Plains Development joined the Council via Zoom. They explained the process of the application and submission to CDBG and that two resolutions will need to be approved along with an anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

Jason Zink of 417 Fry spoke regarding the maintenance of Doerr Vernon Park.

Councilmember Barnes spoke regarding the vandalism that all the parks in town are experiencing.

Councilmember Clark motioned to close the public hearing. Councilmember Molleker seconded.

Motion passed.

Consulting Services for CDBG & Great Plains Development

Councilmember Barnes motioned to approve Resolution 2023-02 certifying legal authority to apply for the 2023 Kansas Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program from the Kansas Department of Commerce and authorizing the mayor to sign and submit such an application. Councilmember Clark seconded.

Motion passed.

Councilmember Clark motioned to approve Resolution 2023-03 assuring the Kansas Department of Commerce that funds will be continually provided for the operation and maintenance of improvements to the City Park system to be financed with Community Development Block Grant funds. Councilmember Molleker seconded.

Motion passed.

Councilmember Barnes motioned to approve the Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. Councilmember Clark seconded.

Motion passed.

Councilmember Clark motioned to approve Great Plains Developments Agreement for Administration Consulting Services and their statement of assurances and certifications. The motion also included that Grant Administration Services shall come from the Cities matching funds. Councilmember Molleker seconded.

Motion passed.

Purchase of Fire Trucks

City Manager Eilts explained that Senator Moran's office has made federal appropriation funds available through USDA Rural Development Community Facilities program. The award amount for these funds \$1,142,000.

Currently the funds are set up to be distributed 91% to the Fire Department and 9% to Communications.

Fire Chief Herrman suggested that the Council accept the bid from Hays Fire and Rescue that was presented at the previous Council meeting.

Councilmember Barnes motioned to accept the bids from Hays Fire and Rescue on the City Pumper Truck and the Rural Pumper Truck. Councilmember Clark seconded.

Councilmember Molleker noted that he would like to make sure that these funds are a guarantee, and that it is a very large purchase if there are no funds. He would like verbiage from Hays Fire and Rescue that if the funds fall through the agreement is null and void.

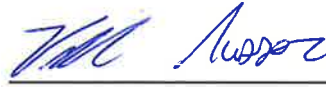
Councilmember Barnes amended to his motion to approve the purchase of the trucks pending cash in hand from the federal funding. Councilmember Clark seconded.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.



Kara Rath, City Clerk



Mayor, William Nusser