

City Council Meeting Minutes
City of Larned
July 3, 2023
6:30 PM

Council President Kim Barnes called the regular session to order with the following Councilmembers present: Councilmember Kim Barnes, Councilmember Terry Clark, Councilmember Jason Murray, Councilmember Jacques Molleker, Councilmember Gary Rainbolt, Councilmember Josh Riedel, Councilmember Sharon McGinness and Councilmember Carroll Bennett.

Mayor Nusser was absent.

City Manager Bradley Eilts and City Attorney Ron Smith were also present.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Bennett motioned to approve the agenda; Councilmember Murray seconded.

Motion passed.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Murray motioned to approve the Consent Agenda; Councilmember Riedel seconded.

Motion passed.

Appropriation Ordinance #6

City Manager, Brad Eilts reported on the expenses listed on the financial report. On a motion by Councilmember Rainbolt and seconded by Councilmember McGinness and carried for Appropriation Ordinance #6 in the amount of \$801,090.69 and transfers more or less were approved for payment.

Motion passed.

Public Comments

Mark & Chris Phillips-214 W 10th, Emotional Support Animals

New Business

Water Rights Taskforce Formation

Mayor Nusser and City Manager Eilts would like the Councils discretion to form a Water Rights Taskforce to develop a strategy to our community's ability to grow and prosper. Councilmember Murray motioned to approve the formation of a Water Rights Taskforce. Councilmember Rainbolt seconded.

Motion approved.

Council asked that a Special Meeting take place before the budget work session to approve the members of the Water Rights Taskforce on July 17th at 6:30.

Request by HOI

Housing Opportunities Inc. (HOI) manages Larned Dream Homes. The recent hail storm totaled the roofs of all HOI properties in Larned, including Larned Dream Homes. The Dream Homes property has a flat \$10,000 insurance deductible.

HOI requested the City Council's direction on how they would like her to proceed.

Councilmember Murray asked that HOI check with the insurance company on how long we can wait to replace the roofs. City Manager Eilts will work with HOI and report back at the August meeting.

Wastewater Belt Filter Press

At the June meeting it was discussed that Dale Vanderhoof would contact Prime Solutions to get a demonstration of a new self-contained Press, and the results were encouraging. Total cost for the unit is \$475,786, plus installation and removal of the existing system. Councilmember Riedel motioned to approve the Belt Filter Press from Prime Solution paid for on a loan from the Electric fund; Councilmember Rainbolt seconded.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.



City Clerk, Kara Rath



Mayor, William Nusser