

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J.A.Cordts	Cliff O'Bryhim
Dale Fox	Floyd McGuire
Dennis Graves	Mayor Richard Hamit

OTHERS PRESENT:

Randall Percy, Midwest Tank Co.	
Max Friesen	Mildred Cannon
Bruce Smith	Cheryl Brown
Ron Dean	

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Richard Hamit. The clerk called the roll. A quorum was present.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 14, 1990 regular meeting were reviewed. J.A.Cordts made a motion, seconded by Floyd McGuire to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

WARRANTS: Warrants No. 6673 through 6721 were presented for payment. Floyd McGuire made a motion, seconded by Dennis Graves to approve all warrants. Motion carried 5-0.

LICENSE: Mayor Hamit presented the following juke box/game machine and cereal malt beverage licenses for approval:

- Juke box - Shirley's Cafe
- Juke box, game machine and 2 cereal malt beverage - Patch
- Cereal malt beverage - Casey's General Stores
- Cereal malt beverage - O'Bryhim Thriftway
- Game machines - Cornerstone (Youth center)

J.A.Cordts made a motion, seconded by Floyd McGuire to approve all licenses. Motion carried 4-0 (1 abstain).

MISC: Management of the city swimming pool was discussed. The council felt the city clerk should continue taking care of the books and payroll. General management should be left to the manager and head instructor. Hiring of employees and general responsibility for pool operation should be left to one Park and Recreation Board member and a liaison member of the council. The subject was tabled until a member of the governing body could discuss the arrangement with the recreation board.

WATER TOWER REPAIR BID OPENING: Bids were opened by Mayor Hamit for the west water tower repair at 8:00 PM. Bruce Smith explained the problem at the tower was, two years ago it had developed a small leak and the council took the low bid of several bids and the leak was welded. A few months ago another leak appeared adjacent to the original one. Smith then contacted several tower repair companies for bids. The bids were as follows:

CUNNINGHAM SAND BLASTING AND PAINTING:	\$4680.00
cut riser pipe away from the head plate and install 3x3x $\frac{1}{4}$ in rolled angle leg out. Install a 6' in diameter by $\frac{1}{4}$ " headplate welded back to rolled angle and outer perimeter to give tank extra flexibility. Touch up interior and exterior paint where repairs were made. 5 yr warranty.	

AMERICAN TANK CO.	4800.00
Remove the top approximately three feet of the riser. Replace this section of riser and repair the saucer by welding the portion that has split from movement in the saucer. If necessary reinforce with steel plate over this portion of the saucer. Clean and paint all effected areas on the interior and exterior of the tank and riser.	

MIDWEST TANK

\$3360.00

Install steel overplating on headplate of bowl and a 12" ring of steel in top of riser. All overplating to be welded solid to tank. The new steel shall be seam sealed or one coat of epoxy applied to prevent rusting. The exterior of the tank shall be touched-up as needed where welding damages paint. Touch-up shall match existing paint system as best as possible. 10 year warranty.

Dale Fox made a motion, seconded by J.A.Cordts to approve the Midwest Tank Co. Bid of \$3,360.00. Motion carried. 5-0.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT:

1. Bruce Smith requested the council give some thought to installing meters on the main distribution lines coming into town to try to ascertain if the water loss is between the wells and the city. The meters along with equipment with which to pin down other problem areas was discussed at length. He said the estimated cost would be less than \$3000. Floyd McGuire made a motion, seconded by Dennis Graves to authorize Smith to purchase meters and other equipment necessary to alleviate the problem. Motion carried.

2. Smith requested permission to look into a telephone control for the wells. He said radio control had been installed around ten years ago but has not worked for several years. He said no one, including the maker, could repair it and the last time he checked into it the cost for a new unit was cost prohibitive. He said the rural water district south of town has been using the phone system since around 1970 and is very happy with it. He said he had contacted Topeka Electric Motors and the estimate for material and labor would be \$3750.00. The phone company said they would install a line for \$17 and the monthly cost would be the same as a private phone line. After a lengthy discussion, Smith was instructed to check into the price of a new radio system before doing anything else. He was also instructed to check with RWD 5 to see if they still had any of their used equipment for the telephone control and if so, get a price. The subject was tabled to the January meeting.

3. Smith asked about using the last of the sewer bond monies for more riprap for the sewer ponds. It was agreed by concensus.

MISC: Employee hospitalization was again discussed. The matter was again tabled.

Mayor Hamit reported he had received a survey for the area of the west water tower from Kramer Engineering. He said Kramer had suggested the new easement take in 50 ft. on all sides of the tower but he needed the council's permission. He would write the easement with an ingress/egress. Floyd McGuire made a motion, seconded by Dale Fox to authorize Kramer to go ahead with the easement as suggested. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Hamit asked the council to again authorize the purchase of a \$20 gift certificate for each employee from O'Bryhim's Thriftway. It was agreed by concensus.

Hamit brought up the subject of emergency vehicles using excessive speed within the city limits. He said Councilman Graves had received complaints from residents in the Frieruble Addn and Councilman O'Bryhim said he had witnessed excessive speed on Main Street, especially over the railroad tracks. Also questioned was the excessive speed used by private vehicles when responding

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to an emergency. It was agreed a few mph less would get them where they need to be safely and not hold them up more than a few seconds. Police Chief Ron Dean said he would discuss it with the fire chief who would take it up with the fire board.

Dale Fox made a motion, seconded by J.A.Cordts to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mildred J. Cannon
City Clerk

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APPROVED

January 9, 1991
