

CITY OF OVERBROOK

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 29, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ira Allen, Bruce Smith, David Gerisch, Rich Hamit (arrived Late), Mayor Jack Young. Jim Gates absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ed Harmison, Everette Dannar, Cheryl Brown

Mayor Young called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Roll call was taken by the clerk; there was a quorum present.

MINUTES / WARRANTS: Bruce Smith made a motion, seconded by David Gerisch, to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2003 meeting as written. Motion carried 3-0. The clerk presented a bill from WrenchBenders for work done on Hank Lemberger's car in the amount of \$84.66. The bill was for repairs to the fuel line which was broken when Lemberger drove over the water meter lid by First Security Bank. The council decided to postpone payment of the bill until the matter can be discussed with Bob Call at the next meeting.

The clerk presented the council with a quote from Network Computing Solutions (NCS) for comparison pricing between a new computer for Utility Billing and upgrading the one now being used. The new unit was priced at \$1498 and upgrading would cost \$1273. After discussion, Bruce Smith made a motion, seconded by Ira Allen to purchase the new unit. Motion carried 3-0.

The council was also given a proposal from McKee Pools for repairs to the city pool in the amount of \$3599.61. The bid for repainting the pool is \$6500-8000.00. The matter was tabled until later.

Mayor Young said that he had authorized having half a load of rock put at Hwy 56 & Maple where the new fire hydrant was installed recently, with the rest of the load to be used later. Ed Harmison mentioned that he had noticed some new rock by Richard Wright's house on Walnut as well as new rock by the hydrant. The mayor said he would check with Todd Goodyear on where the rock was delivered.

Ira Allen asked if the street by the Overbrook Quilt Connection could be fixed soon. The damage was caused by repairing a water break Christmas week. Mayor Young said he would talk to Bob Call.

LAGOONS: Mayor Young brought up the subject of adding cells to the existing lagoons or building a new system in a different location. Bruce Smith said that either way would be expensive, and that studies would have to be done to determine whether adding another cell west of the existing cells would have adequate grade, and that it would not overload the system. There was discussion about which option would be the most beneficial to the city as far as growth is concerned. Ira Allen said that if the current system was built to handle 1200 residents, and the planned improvements are done that some growth should be accommodated. There was discussion about where new lagoon cells would be located. Bruce Smith suggested the council visit the possible sites in the near future. The mayor recommended that the engineers be asked to provide more definite information about the capacity of the current lagoon before any decisions

arc made. Marian Massoth is planning on being at the next meeting, so the matter was tabled until then.

SEWER HOOK-UPS: The council reviewed the letter that had previously been prepared for a bulk mailing explaining why illegal sewer hook-ups need to be identified and what steps must be taken to do this. There was discussion about who would actually do the inspecting. Ira Allen stated that if it wasn't too hard to find an outlet for sump pumps and peripheral drains, the person doing the inspection wouldn't have to be a licensed plumber. Bruce Smith said that he has contacted a couple of cities about how they addressed this problem, but hasn't received all the information yet. He is hoping to have it by the next meeting. The mayor said that the local plumbers should be contacted about licensing requirements.

Ed Harmison brought up the subject of privacy. Michael Coffman, city attorney, has been researching this and should have the information at the next meeting.

Rich Hamit mentioned the possibility of the city contracting a plumber to do the inspecting. David Gerisch suggested contracting a plumber to do the inspecting at a reasonable fee to be paid by the property owner. Mayor Young told the council, after talking to Todd Goodyear on the phone, that Osage County will require plumbers to be licensed starting in 2004.

After more discussion, the council made some changes in the original letter to be approved at the next meeting. This letter is to inform the citizens of the situation, and then a follow-up letter will be sent with more details on what must be done to comply with the regulations, and penalties for those who don't comply.

Mayor Young said that he will be talking to Todd Goodyear later this week to get more details about the inspection process itself before making final decisions as to the actual inspecting. The mayor would like the letters to be mailed at the same time as the February water bills. A time for mailing the follow-up letter will be discussed at the January 14th meeting. There will be more discussion regarding how to go about designating the ones to do the inspecting.

LIST FOR DISCUSSION: Mayor Young asked the council to have a list of items to discuss with Mark Green, City of Topeka, when he comes to the January 28th council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Rich Hamit made a motion, seconded by Ira Allen, to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters not related to elected personnel. Motion carried; meeting was recessed at 9:02 PM. The meeting was called back into session at 9:12 PM.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: Getting started on developing a comprehensive plan was discussed. The mayor said that he would like to set a goal of 2 years for completion. He stated that he understands that there will probably be a fairly sizable amount of money involved, but also feels that this must be done in order to qualify for more grants. It was agreed that what the citizens want is necessary for a good plan. The council agreed by concensus to have a town-hall type meeting as a beginning. Possible dates were discussed. After discussion, the council agreed to have the meeting on Saturday, February 14, 2004 at 9 AM at the Overbrook Library. The clerk said she would check to see if the library is available, and final details can be discussed at the next council meeting. The meeting can be advertised in the papers, Kansas State Bank marquee, the city channel, and also flyers in some of the businesses.

There being no further business before the council, David Gerisch moved to adjourn. Bruce Smith seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

APPROVED: 1-14-2004 Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Brown, City Clerk