

March 24, 2020
Garnett, Kansas

The Governing Body of the City of Garnett met in regular session via Zoom Cloud Meeting on March 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the following individuals present, Brigitte Brecheisen-Huss, Mayor; Greg A. Gwin, City Commissioner; Chris Weiner, City Manager; Terry J. Solander, City Attorney; and Travis Wilson, City Clerk. Jody Cole, City Commissioner and Student Representative Zachary Barnes were absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brecheisen-Huss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and read the proposed regulations regarding the Kansas Open Meeting Act.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by Reverend Reuben Esh giving the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Governing Body reviewed the March 10, 2020 City Commission Meeting minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Gwin to approve the March 10, 2020 City Commission Meeting minutes. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

The Governing Body reviewed the March 16, 2020 City Commission Special Meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mayor Brecheisen-Huss to approve the March 16, 2020 City Commission Special Meeting minutes. Commissioner Gwin seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

GOVERNING BODY

Commissioner Gwin commented our thoughts are with the citizens and encouraged everyone to follow Governor Kelly's restrictions on the COVID-19 virus. He also reminded everyone to continue to support local business as they need our business during this time.

Mayor Brecheisen-Huss commented the school district will be providing breakfast and lunches for students starting Wednesday March 24th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at both the Anderson County Junior Senior High School and Garnett Elementary School. She also thanked JD Mersman for all of the work he is doing on Facebook and for creating the Anderson County Strong Facebook page.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- Proclamation Designating April 2020 as Fair Housing Month. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss read the Proclamation declaring the month of April 2020 as Fair Housing Month.
- Consideration of TGT Request from the Anderson County Corn Festival. After discussion, Commissioner Gwin made a motion to approve the TGT Request from the Anderson County Corn Festival. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

- Discussion concerning Camping Ordinance. After discussion, Commissioner Gwin commented having half of the campsites open for campers to stay 30 days then having the campers move to another spot on a temporary basis the rest of the year. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss commented she agreed on designating some as extended stay on a temporary basis for the rest of the year and evaluate the results. City Manager Weiner commented his biggest concern was we don't want them all taken up and we turn away recreational campers and keep it as a recreational campground and not an RV Park. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss commented we may want to save the more desirable spots for recreational spots for visitors. City Clerk Wilson commented he would get with City Staff to see what spots are the most popular to determine which spots could be designated as extended stays.
- Discussion concerning COVID-19 Concerns in Anderson County. Dr. Ross Kimball commented he is waiting on test results from Tuesday to return as twelve (12) people were tested, five (5) came back negative and the remaining seven (7) still unknown. Mike Burns commented all businesses have done everything they can do to help support the community. He commented he would like to see our community implement a fourteen (14) day stay at home order with the ability to evaluate and extend to thirty (30) days if needed. Mike Burns also commented some of the medication being developed is looking promising and there are four (4) companies gearing up to make these medications.
- Consideration of Semi-Monthly Bills in the amount of \$139,316.51. After discussion, Mayor Brecheisen-Huss made a motion to approve the semi-monthly bills in the amount of \$139,316.51. Commissioner Gwin seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.
- Discussion concerning Solicitor's Permit. After discussion, Commissioner Gwin made a motion to suspend all Solicitor's Permits. Mayor Brecheisen-Huss seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

City Manager's report was received and discussed.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before The Governing Body, Mayor Brecheisen-Huss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Gwin seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Bryette Brecheisen Huss
Mayor

Attest:

Lavis Wilson
City Clerk