

December 23, 2019
Garnett, Kansas

The Governing Body of the City of Garnett met in regular session on December 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall with the following individuals present Greg A. Gwin, Mayor; Brigitte Brecheisen-Huss and Jody Cole, City Commissioners; Chris Weiner, City Manager; Terry J. Solander, City Attorney; and Travis Wilson, City Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gwin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by Reverend Jonathan Hall, Church of the Nazarene giving the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Governing Body reviewed the December 10, 2019 City Commission Meeting minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss to approve the December 10, 2019 City Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.

GOVERNING BODY

Commissioner Cole wished everyone a Merry Christmas and asked what the detour route will be once the Highway 169 construction begins. She also asked how many people are on the Housing waiting list. City Clerk Wilson mentioned he didn't know the answers but would investigate it.

Commissioner Brecheisen thanked everyone on the street crew for cleaning off the roads during the snowstorm. She also mentioned she will be missing the first City Commission Meeting of the new year as her and her family will be on vacation.

Mayor Gwin commented the City Christmas party was very nice and complemented City staff for doing an excellent job of putting it on.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- Consideration of Agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation for the Maple Street Drainage Project. After discussion, Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss made a motion to approve the Agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation for the Maple Street Drainage Project. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- Consideration of Contract with BG Consultants for Design Engineering Services for the Maple Street Drainage Project. After discussion, Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss made a motion to approve the Contract with BG Consultants for Design Engineering Services for Maple Street Drainage Project. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

- Consideration of Airport Lease Agreement, Don Fairfield. After discussion, Mayor Gwin made a motion to approve the Airport Lease Agreement for Don Fairfield. Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- Review of Agreement with U.S. Cellular for Water Tower Equipment. After discussion, this was tabled to the January 14th City Commission Meeting.
- Consideration of Agreement Between the City and Chamber of Commerce. After discussion, Mayor Gwin made a motion to approve the Agreement between the City and Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- Land Bank Discussion – Denise’s Café. City Manager Weiner mentioned his initial thought there would be presentation from a couple of individuals who have experience with Landbanks at our Joint City/County Meeting, but it wouldn’t give time for questions if the Commissioners had any. After looking at the statute, the County doesn’t have the opportunity to set up a Landbank, only the City of Garnett or Greeley would be able to. City Manager Weiner feels there is some value and advantages with having a Landbank and some costs associated with having it however those costs would be minimal. Mayor Gwin commented he would like to have a discussion with them to answers some of his questions however he didn’t think it would be a good plan to get involved with a Landbank. City Attorney Solander spoke to a couple of City Attorneys who are involved with Landbanks in their cities and both mentioned it was beneficial to the Cities.

Commissioner Cole commented she would like someone to come and talk to them about Landbanks to give a better understanding of how they work and would like to know more about them. Mayor Gwin mentioned he would like to discuss it during a special meeting. City Manager Weiner commented he would send out a Doodle Poll of dates to for the special meeting. Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss mentioned this violates and overrides principles of limited Government by voiding taxes and liens and lets the Government decide what the best use for land is and who should receive and develop the land. She commented she is not comfortable moving forward with a Landbank however would be in favor of working with the County to find a solution that works where someone in the private market could fix up the properties that need rehabilitation.

- Consideration of Semi-Monthly Bills in the amount of \$285,396.99. After discussion, Mayor Gwin made a motion to approve the semi-monthly bills in the amount of \$285,396.99. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- Consideration of 2020 Cereal Malt Beverage Permit for Country Mart. After discussion, Commissioner Brecheisen-Huss made a motion to approve the 2020 Cereal Malt Beverage Permit for Country Mart. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

City Manager's report was received and discussed.

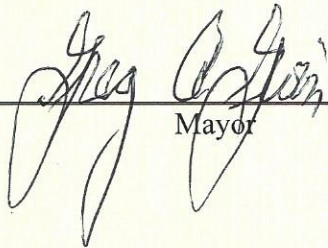
The Proseal Street Proposal 2020 Street Work was received and discussed.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

There were no citizens to be heard.


ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Gwin adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk