

**SALINA CITY CORPORATION
COUNCIL MEETING
July 8, 2020**

COUNCIL AND STAFF PRESENT:

Mayor Jed Maxwell, excused
Earl Taylor
Daniel Viers,
Newell Hales
Jon Maxwell
Cade Hunter

Ashlee Larsen, City Recorder
Kathy Maxwell, City Treasurer
Al Taylor, Chief of Police
Brad Allen, Maintenance Supervisor
Brett Gates, Maintenance

Council Member Earl Taylor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:42 p.m. at the Salina City Hall.

Public Hearing-The purpose of the public hearing was to receive comments on the permanent transfer of funds \$100,000 from the Water Utility Fund to the Waste Water Fund.

No comments were made.

Newell Hales motioned to adjourn the Public Hearing for the permanent transfer of funds of \$100,000 from the Water Utility to the Waste Water Fund at 6:50 p.m. **Cade Hunter** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Council Member Earl Taylor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:50 p.m. at the Salina City Hall.

Public Hearing-The purpose of the public hearing was to receive comments concerning an amendment to the Animal Ordinance Chapter 6.18-Kennels Section 6.18.020 Permit Require C-1. Proposed amendment is to distance kennels from adjacent dwellings. **Taylor** opened the meeting for comments.

Chris Kravits; addressed his concerns regarding the change Salina City proposes to make with the Animal Ordinance stating all kennels must be at least 60 feet from any neighboring dwelling. **Kravits** believes the change in the ordinance needs to be further than 60 feet and define kennel. **Kravits** doesn't like the idea of homeowners letting their dogs run free in their yards. **Jon Maxwell** explained Salina City has a leash law in place that states a homeowner must keep their dog in a fenced backyard or on a leash, unless trained to stay in their yard. **Cade Hunter** asked **Kravits** if he believes all dogs in a fenced backyard should be 60 feet from their neighbor's property. **Daniel Viers** stated he doesn't feel like a backyard is considered a kennel and doesn't believe housing your dog in a fenced backyard is a problem. **Cade Hunter** explained the Ordinance needs to state the kennel is a space where an animal is confined to so much square footage. **Jon Maxwell** stated in the Ordinance it states the property owner must receive permission from Salina City before the kennel permit is issued. And the way the ordinance is worded you must have the animal control officer or police officer approve the kennel location. **Al Taylor** asked if Salina City amends The Animal Ordinance 6.18.020 does it require the homeowner whom houses only one dog must receive a kennel permit. **Ashlee Larsen** stated she spoke with The Salina City Attorney today and he suggested Salina City place the amended Ordinance under 6.12.090 but recommend passing both ordinances in the kennels listed, with the Salina City Council Meeting

kennel being 60 feet from any neighboring dwelling. **Kathy Maxwell** spoke of the small ordinance that was passed in 2011 for rabbits, chickens, goats, and sheep shall be kept or maintained closer than ten (10) feet from any dwelling, and not closer than forty (40) feet from any dwelling on adjacent lot. Any barn, coop, or enclosure structure for the housing or keeping of animals or fowl shall be kept, constructed or maintained not less than twenty (20) feet from a public street and not less than two (2) feet from any lot line, except for adjoining or adjacent properties that house animals on each side of the fence where one fence, on the property line can be shared.

Kathy Maxwell stated depending on your property line and needing to house a dog kennel (60) feet from any adjacent dwelling they wouldn't have the footage with the required setbacks.

Newell Hales: stated if you own more than 4 dogs you should at least have a 1-acre property or a farm to receive a kennel permit.

Louis Vestal is concerned about her neighbors and the location of their dog kennel. **Jon Maxwell** said even if Salina City passes this Amended dog Ordinance due to the grandfather rule her neighbor won't have to move his kennel for at least a year. **Maxwell** stated The Salina City attorney is looking into the grandfather rule to see if there is a clause with the amount of years.

Louise Vestal said the only thing she feels like she can do is place a fence in between the lots. She has had several problems with her neighbor and threatening her family. Doesn't have to move his kennel due to being grandfathered in. When Salina City you amend the distance of kennels how is it fair. **Al Taylor** explained in the Animal Ordinance Vestal can approach the nuisance of dog barking and smell of animals. Earl Taylor stated Salina City will table the Animal Ordinance and review it at the next City Council in a work meeting.

Cade Hunter motioned to adjourn the Public Hearing for Ordinance 144-2020 at 7:21 p.m. **Jon Maxwell** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

VISITORS PRESENT FOR COUNCIL MEETING:

Chris Kravits

Earl Taylor called the regular city council meeting to order at 7:21 PM, at the Salina City Hall, welcomed everyone present and led the pledge of allegiance. **Cade Hunter** offered the opening prayer.

Approval of City Council Minutes June 24, 2020 was motioned by **Newell Hales**. **Daniel Viers** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approval of Public Hearing fire truck minutes May 27, 2020 was motioned by **Cade Hunter**. **Daniel Viers** seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0. **Newell Hales** and **Earl Taylor** abstained.

Approval of Bills Submitted for Payment was motioned by **Newell Hales**. **Jon Maxwell** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Vistors:

Chris Kravits, Concerns of Salina City Animal Ordinance, **Kravits** is having problems with his neighbors on Evergreen with their dogs who continue to defecate and urinate in his backyard on a

daily basis. He has almost been attacked a couple times when out mowing his lawn. **Newell Hales** asked Kravits if he has a fence in his back yard. **Kravits** stated he doesn't have a fence and isn't planning on getting one. **Earl Taylor** stated Salina City had an Animal Control Officer, but due to budget Salina City had to cut back. **Jon Maxwell** stated Salina PD has been to this place before with other complaints. **Jon Maxwell** explained this is where the Nuisance and leash Ordinance comes in to place. Salina PD will need to do stations until the problem is taken care of.

AGENDA TOPICS:

Mayor

Jed Maxwell: excused

Council Member- Earl Taylor filling in for Mayor

Ordinance 144-2020 was tabled

Adopting the Annexation Policy Plan was tabled, **Kathy Maxwell** reviewed the Annexation Policy Plan with the Council and let them know if they have any questions they can contact her. This Ordinance 145-2020 will be placed in the paper and on the public website for a public hearing to be reviewed at planning and Zoning then voted at City Council on August 11, 2020.

Ordinance 145-2020 Tabled

Transfer of Funds \$100,000 from Water Utility to Waste Water. **Cade Hunter** motioned to approve the transfer of funds of \$100,000 from the Water Utility to the Waste Water. **Newell Hales** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Dodge Maintenance Truck; **Earl Taylor** explained him, and Brad Allen is planning to receive a couple bids to replace the engine motor,

Police Chief

Chief Al Taylor Fire Siren; **Taylor** gave an update on the fire siren complaint that Salina City had at the last city council meeting. **Taylor** contacted other cities to see what they are using for emergencies contact, to not disturb the residents every time the siren goes off. **Earl Taylor** stated he has had several residents request to continue using the siren. **Taylor** stated you can change the siren to only go off for certain emergencies. **Daniel Viers** stated he likes the fire siren but feels like Salina FD can be more thoughtful in using the siren not for their monthly meetings. **Taylor** stated Salina FD will need to get with dispatch to maybe silence for certain things.

Planning and Zoning

Chairperson, Kathy Maxwell mentioned Planning and Zoning is working on updating Salina City Subdivision Ordinance.

Maint. Supervisor

Brad Allen: Water leak up Lost Creek that the Maintenance crew has taken care of.

COUNCIL MEMBER BUSINESS

Newell Hales Asphalt patching **Newell Hales** stated last council meeting Salina City spoke about doing patch work around town. **Hales** would like to approve the bid for patch work from Salina City Council Meeting

Cody Mickelsen. This bid amount is around \$5,300 but there were some overlays that were included in this bid.

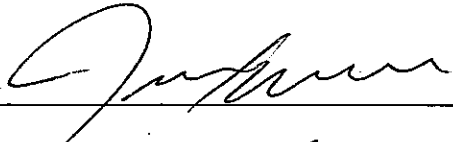
Newell Hales motioned to approve \$5800 towards patch work on Salina City roads. **Jon Maxwell** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Jon Maxwell:

Cade Hunter: Presented the Court Report for June 2020. Total collected \$5,665.00 with Salina City's portion \$3,201.89 **Cade Hunter** motioned to accept the Court Report for June. **Daniel Viers** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Daniel Viers,

Newell Hales motioned to adjourn the City Council at 8:02 p.m. **Daniel Viers** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Date 7/22/20 Mayor 

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