

**SALINA CITY CORPORATION
COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 p.m. August 25, 2021**

COUNCIL AND STAFF PRESENT:

Mayor Jed Maxwell
Cade Hunter
Newell Hales
Jon Maxwell
Earl Taylor 7:08 pm.
Daniel Viers, excused

Ashlee Larsen, City Recorder
Kathy Maxwell, City Treasurer
Brad Allen, Maintenance Supervisor
Al Taylor, Chief of Police
Kelly Laier, P&Z, Chairperson
Rodger Brazell Maintenance Supervisor
Lora Fielding, Salina Sun

Meeting called by: Mayor Jed Maxwell

Visitors present for Council meeting:
Sunrise Engineer Wastewater funding
Jesse Ralphs, Mario Gonzalez

Mayor Jed Maxwell called the regular city council meeting to order at 7:00 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 Meeting Minutes August 11, 2021 was motioned by **Cade Hunter**. **Jon Maxwell** seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Approval of Work Meeting Minutes June 23, 2021 was motioned by **Jon Maxwell**. **Cade Hunter** seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Approval of Bills Submitted for Payment was motioned for approval by **Newell Hales**. **Cade Hunter** seconded. Motion carried 3 to 0.

VISITORS:

Sunrise Engineer Wastewater funding Jesse Ralphs, Mario Gonzalez

Jesse Ralphs spoke about potential funding for preliminary phases can begin with the sewer project. The preliminary engineering/administrative portion of the project is the first step, then environmental studies, topographical design surveys Geotech work, the final design and Engineering phase will be completed prior to the project going out to bid. **Ralphs** suggested Salina City applying for a hardship design grant request from the Water Quality Board and several other grants/funding options to cover the first phase of the project which is estimated to be around \$800,000. **Ralphs** stated Salina City will then plan to approach CIB for funding for the actual sewer project but tapping into these resources now may be an option for additional funding as well. **Ralphs** reviewed the sewer funding contract and spoke about the different phases of the sewer project. **Ralphs** mentioned that Salina City will need a Public Hearing in September for

funding. **Newell Hales** stated he would like to know the price difference to upgrade to an 8-inch line. **Ralphs** will investigate the price difference. **Mayor Maxwell** thanked Sunrise Engineering for reviewing the sewer funding and sewer project.

Council.

AGENDA TOPICS

Mayor

Jed Maxwell:

Sponsor NSHS Volleyball **Newell Hales** stated he feels like this is a good cause, but doesn't think Salina City should spend public funds for sponsorships. Council agreed.

Resolution 202-2021 lifeguard wages; Cade Hunter motioned to approve Resolution 202-2021 lifeguard wages. **Newell Hales seconded.** Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approval of Cell Phone Allowance; Cade Hunter motioned to approve \$65.00 for cell phone allowance for full time employees who need a phone but don't want to switch over to Salina City's plan. **Newell Hales seconded.** Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approval of Equipment lease agreements; Newell Hales motioned to approve Equipment lease agreements with Mason Machinery which include two tractors and a skid steer, **Jon Maxwell seconded.** Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approval of Bike Path **Mayor Maxwell** stated the bike path engineering fees were approved for Jones & Demille.

Newell Hales motioned to approve the design of the bike path and to be engineered by Jones & Demille. **Jon Maxwell seconded.** Motion carried 4 to 0.

Salina City Party: The Salina City swimming pool party for Salina City employees will be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021 from 6:30 pm to 8:30pm. **Ashlee Larsen** stated 70 employees and family members have RSVP for the party and are willing to bring chips or a salad. **Larsen** mentioned that her and Kathy Maxwell ordered meat for pulled pork sandwiches, rolls and doughnuts for the party.

Blackhawk Arena

Director:

Jake Van:

Blackhawk update **Jake Van** mentioned he has a PRCA event happening tonight. **Van** also spoke about the internet tower that has been installed. **Van** is meeting with Brandon Foote, Redmond Inc., this week regarding his proposed upgrades to the facility in lieu of Redmond Equine being the sponsor for the outdoor arena. **Van** stated he was approached by a gentleman who offered to fund the construction of a playground at the arena in lieu of placing a sign for advertisement. **Van** feels like this will be a good thing for young children who come to the events. **Van** also mentioned he would like to see a pond or walking path for the older generation who come and support the Blackhawk Arena events. **Van** asked Council what he needs to do to

fix some of the roads at the Blackhawk there are several potholes. Earl Taylor stated he needs to get a bid and bring it to City Council. **Newell Hales** let Van know the best way to lay the asphalt, Hales also mentioned for Van to reach out to Chad McWilliam to receive a grant for the Playground equipment. Van asked the best way to remove snow. Mayor Maxwell stated they usually just use the snow plow at the Maintenance shop. **Van** stated he has big plans to “church up” the foyer and make it more appealing with a western style theme rather than generic beige walls, and he complimented his recently hired assistant, Barry Albrecht, for his hard work ethic. **Van** stated how Barry Albrecht, knows the horse industry; and is a very nice kid with great people skills; Salina City is lucky to have him. **Newell Hales** stressed the need to increase events at the arena so, Albrecht could be brought on full time. Van agreed and stated this is a top priority. Van also expressed interest in coordinating an ATV Jamboree; he said it fits with Salina City, and can’t understand why we aren’t already doing it. Van would like to host a trade show during the Jamboree. Salina City Council expressed interest in this event, and thanked Van for all his hard Work, and what to this point for the Blackhawk Arena.

Police Chief

Al Taylor:

Power DMS Police Chief Al Taylor reported receiving a grant for his department’s DMS System program, this program maps their policies and procedures and proofs of compliance to their specific accrediting body’s standards manual and will keep the polices up to date.

Newell Hales motioned to approve the grant to purchase the program for the Power DMS Program. **Cade Hunter** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Bullet resistant vest part-time police officers Chief Taylor stated the part-time police officers bullet proof vests are almost expired. **Taylor** received a matching grant that will cover 50% of the cost per vest. The amount will be around \$1,000 for two new vests with the grant.

Cade Hunter motioned to approve two new bullet proof vests for the part-time police officers. **Newell Hales** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Planning and Zoning

Chairperson: Kelly Laier stated the RV Park across from Love’s will soon begin construction, and plans are looking good for the assisted living center which will be going in as well. **Jon Maxwell** asked when Love’s will break ground. **Kathy Maxwell** stated Love’s will be submitting their plans next week.

Kathy Maxwell asked Council what day would work best to meet with Planning & Zoning to review an Ordinance. Kathy Maxwell suggested September 16, 2021 she will text Council and Planning & Zoning to figure out a date and time.

Maint. Supervisor

Brad Allen:

Approval for water meter locks Brad Allen spoke about purchasing water meter locks to keep honest people honest and lock the fire hydrants so Salina City can keep better track of water usage. The Fire Dept. will cut the locks if they need to use the hydrant, so they don’t have to keep keys for all the hydrants. Allen stated Scholzens has the locks in stock and they are \$3.00 less than Mountain land. **Cade Hunter** suggested buying from Scholzens.

Rodger Brazell spoke about five locks that need to be placed in town, and mentioned keeping an eye on these water meters will help with the Salina City water audit.

Cade Hunter motioned to approve five (5) hydrant locks for the meters in town cost is \$147.05 apiece. **Jon Maxwell** Seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approval of Blackhawk tank sensor **Brad Allen** stated the west Blackhawk tank sensor hasn't been working for over a year. The tank is a control tank for the well to work and they have been doing it manually due to the sensor being out. **Rodger Brazell** stated the bid for a new sensor is around \$1300 to be replaced. **Earl Taylor** stated when Allen receives the sensor he would like to be there when it's being replaced. **Taylor** suggested having another sensor on hand for when it goes out. **Newell Hales** motioned to approve \$1380 to replace the west tank sensor at the Blackhawk Arena. **Earl Taylor** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Water line replaced on Honey Drive. **Brad Allen** met with Kelly Laier to look at the property on Honey Drive 325 North, next to where Nancy Dexter built her home. **Allen** spoke about the water line that wasn't extended to this property because of all the trees, last year the trees were removed and now someone is interested in purchasing this property. **Allen** received a quote for material to place the water line. **Allen** stated the cost will be around \$711.00, but he will receive a couple more bids to present to the Council at the next meeting. **Earl Taylor** asked Allen where the initial lines were placed, and where the new lines will tie in. **Allen** stated the Pressurized Irrigation line is located in the back of the property's and the culinary line is located in the front. **Allen** stated the line won't be placed until the Pressurized Irrigation is out of the system. **Newell Hales** motioned to purchase the material to place the new water line on Honey Drive for around \$1200 **Earl Taylor** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Approval Training Scholzens new water meters: **Rodger Brazell** and **Kathy Maxwell** will be attending a training in Hurricane to learn about the Harmony Software on September 15, 2021. **Newell Hales** motioned to send **Rodger Brazell** and **Kathy Maxwell** to Scholzens new water meter training in Hurricane. **Cade Hunter** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Allen stated he met with Greg from Rural Water and he mentioned Salina City needs to update their cross-connection line Ordinance. **Ashlee Larsen** stated she emailed the water connection information to Mayor Maxwell and Council.

COUNCIL MEMBER BUSINESS

Newell Hales:

Street lights/burnt out lights on State Street **Newell Hales** spoke about the burnout lights in town and on State Street. **Hales** stated he's not sure if Salina City, Udot, or Rocky Mountain Power are responsible for maintaining the street lights located on State Street. **Hales** stopped into Rocky Mountain Power and they will email him a map of all the poles and contract of who maintains them. **Hales** stated once he receives the map from Rocky Mountain Power, Salina City can reach out to those who are responsible for what pole and get them fixed.

Install plugs Christmas decorations Newell Hales would like to give authority to Brad Allen and Rodger Brazell to place plugs on the light poles to hang Christmas Decorations on State Street past the Blackhawk Arena. **Kathy Maxwell** spoke about street lights that are out on 400 North and Salina Creek Drive. **Newell Hales** stated if Maxwell will take a picture of the light pole that is burnout and send it to Rocky Mountain Power they will come and fix them.

Earl Taylor:

Approval Miss Mary's Museum doors Earl Taylor stated Miss Mary's Museum would like to hire RM Remodeling to replace the front doors at Miss Mary's Museum.

Earl Taylor motioned to approve \$3600 to replace the front doors at Miss Mary's Museum. Newell Hales seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Brad Allen asked if RM Remodeling would be able to look at the issues on the bell tower at Miss Mary's Museum.

Mayor Maxwell suggested receiving a bid from them to fix the guard tower at the CCC Museum. Earl Taylor stated he had a meeting with Maintenance and looks like everything is going well.

Jon Maxwell:

Prosecuting Attorney Approval Jon Maxwell asked Council if they would like to have Kevin Daniels continue to be Salina City Prosecuting Attorney for the next six (6) months. **Cade**

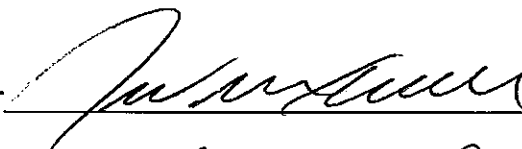
Hunter asked if Salina City Police are happy with Kevin Daniels and his work ethic. Chief Taylor and Eric MacArt both agreed he does a great job for Salina City. **Jon Maxwell** motioned to approve to pay Kevin Daniels \$5940.00 as the Salina City Prosecuting Attorney. **Cade Hunter** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Discuss business of the Quarter Jon Maxwell asked Council if they have anyone in mind to present the Business of the Quarter award. **Earl Taylor** stated he is good to nominate Sufco Canyon Fuel. **Kathy Maxwell** suggested Quality Inn for all their help during the Balloon Festival and with the Chamber of Commerce. Council agreed to present The Business of the Quarter to Quality Inn this quarter and Sufco next quarter.

Cade Hunter Court Report: Hunter presented the Court Report for July 2021. Total collected \$7,249.84 with Salina City's portion \$ 4,149.55 **Hunter** motioned to accept the court report for July 2021. **Jon Maxwell** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Daniel Viers: excused

Jon Maxwell motioned to adjourn the City Council at 8:20 p.m. **Earl Taylor** seconded. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Date 9/8/2021 Mayor 

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