

**SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**AUGUST 24, 2010**

The special called council meeting was held on the above date at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. In attendance were: Councilmember Deanne Hensley, Councilmember Harvey Hensley, Councilmember Dr. James Rice, Councilmember Penny Robinson, Councilmember George Saylor, and Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore. Absent were Councilmember John Ed Pennington and Councilmember Terry Wilson. Also present was Mayor Carmen Lewis and City Attorney Allen Roberts.

Prayer was given by Allen Roberts and the pledge was lead by Sarah Salmons.

Approval of the agenda was the next item on the agenda, Councilmember Penny Robinson made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Harvey Hensley, and vote is as follows:

- |                                  |                                    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Councilmember Deanne Hensley-Yes | Councilmember Harvey Hensley-Yes   |
| Councilmember Dr. Rice-Yes       | Councilmember Penny Robinson-Yes   |
| Councilmember George Saylor-Yes  | Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore-Yes |

The next item on the agenda was the approval of the July 27, 2010 special called council meeting minutes. Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilmember Penny Robinson, and vote is as follows:

- |                                  |                                    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Councilmember Deanne Hensley-Yes | Councilmember Harvey Hensley-Yes   |
| Councilmember Dr. Rice-Yes       | Councilmember Penny Robinson-Yes   |
| Councilmember George Saylor-Yes  | Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore-Yes |

Approval of the bills was the next item on the agenda. Councilmember George Saylor made a motion to approve the bills, seconded by Councilmember Harvey Hensley, and vote is as follows:

Councilmember Deanne Hensley-Yes

Councilmember Harvey Hensley-Yes

Councilmember Dr. Rice-Yes

Councilmember Penny Robinson-Yes

Councilmember George Saylor-Yes

Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore-Yes

The next item on the agenda was downtown businesses, downtown business owner Rodney Miller approached the council with the problem of workers in the downtown area parking in front of businesses downtown. Rodney went on the council of the vacancies at various parking lots in downtown for downtown employees to use. Local business owner Lyda Becknell also commented on the issue that possibly the city can put up 2 hour parking signs and enforce that if a vehicle is there longer than 2 hours that consequences will follow. Councilmember George Saylor said the 2 hour parking would be an enforcement problem and do a letter to the businesses downtown about the parking and see how it goes for 30 days or to the next council meeting. Rodney also wanted to encourage more business to come downtown and revive downtown, discussion followed. Councilmember Harvey Hensley said that the city would need to ask permission from the land owners of the parking lots downtown first before we encourage people to park in the parking lot, discussion followed.

Questions on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter budget comparison and questions on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter revenues and monthly revenues were the next two items on the agenda. Councilmember George Saylor asked about the purchase of two vehicles, Mayor Lewis explained that the purchase of the two vehicles was approved by the council in the passing of the budget. Councilmember Harvey Hensley asked a question about the Municipal Road Aid account, showing revenues brought in but, no expenditures. Mayor Lewis explained that the money was received in the 09/10 fiscal year but, by the time the bids came in the work was not done until the 10/11 fiscal year. Mayor Lewis explained other questions that arose from the questions as far as grants.

The next item on the agenda was the passing out of revenues for 7/27/10-8/23/10 to the council. Councilmember George Saylor asked about where the money for arrest fees comes from, Police Chief Jeff Culver explained. Questions also came up about the community revenues and golf course revenues, discussion followed and the questions were answered.

Clay County Days Festival was the next item on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember George Saylor. Councilmember Saylor stated that the City of Manchester had always given the Clay County Days Festival a \$3,000 donation for 18 years. This year the city only gave the Clay County Days Festival \$1,200. Councilmember Saylor also mentioned the festival's bills the received for generators and use that was around \$4,000. Mayor Lewis explained the expenses that the city had been out on the festival as well beside the donation in the amount of \$8,846.76 that was spent for various things from electricity, dumping of garbage,

and salaries. Councilmember George Saylor also mentioned the expenses for Summerfest, Mayor Lewis explained, discussion followed.

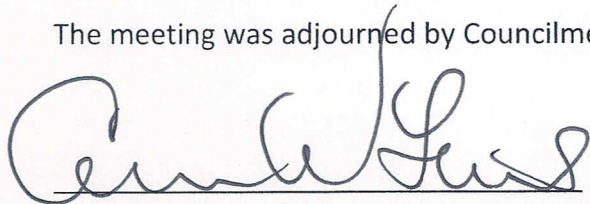
The next item on the agenda was discussion of agenda brought before the council by Councilmember George Saylor. Councilmember Saylor suggested that we go back to what we use to do on the agenda getting everything in for the agenda on the Wednesday before the council meeting. Mayor Lewis said that would not be a problem to go back to that way. The agenda will be sent out on the Thursday before the council meeting.

The next item on the agenda was discussion of the bills also brought before the council by Councilmember George Saylor. Councilmember Saylor said that it was a hassle to come down and look at the bills and wondered if we could do a check register to put with the bills to make it easier to look up bills. Mayor Lewis said this would not be a problem and it would be easier for everyone.

WNT Update was the next item on the agenda brought before the council by Mayor Lewis. Mayor Lewis gave an update of 3 letters she has received from Herrington, KS, the letters are support letters from the Economic Development Director, School Superintendent, and the City Manager. Mayor Lewis passed the letters around for the council to look at. Mayor Lewis said that the Elza's did get some money, in the amount of \$100,000; Mayor Lewis said she talked to the driller as well that is working on the project. Councilmember George Saylor asked Mayor Lewis if she had checked on the bonds, Mayor Lewis replied and said not lately she has not. Mayor Lewis also touched on the money that we are paying James Phillips for the land where the WNT site is going to be.

The last item on the agenda was Mayor's statement brought before the council by Mayor Lewis. Mayor Lewis stated that hard work from the workers and the council on how far they have brought the city from where it was 4 years ago. Mayor Lewis gave a rundown of everything the city has concerning how much money the city has, the purchase of the Golf Course, Campground, Splash Park, and the GOLD Grant. Mayor Lewis bragged on the employees how she appreciates each and everyone and also how much she appreciates the council for what they have done.

The meeting was adjourned by Councilmember Penny Robinson.



Mayor



City Clerk