

CITY OF QUINTER Council Meeting Minutes Monday, February 26th, 2024

| ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: | | CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: | | GUESTS PRESENT: |
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| Х | Jeremy Blackwill, Mayor/Office Manager | X | Daryl Havlas, City Administrator/Rec Director | Mary Gerstner |
| X | Sue Machen, Council President | | Garret Press, Public Works Director | Nickole Byers |
| | Kirk Zerr, Council Member | | Michael Haldeman, Water/Wastewater Operator | Jason Moses |
| X | Dan Chupp, Council Member | | David Stuenkel, Public Works | Tom Broeckelman |
| X | Matt Havlas, Council Member | X | Marissa Haffner, City Clerk/Court Clerk/ AP/Utility Billing | Don Tilton |
| X | Giovani Caasi, Council Member | X | Kelly Rummel, City Marshal | |

OPENING

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting began at 7:00PM call to order by Blackwill.

AGENDA MOTION: Caasi to Machen to approve the presented agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

MINUTES MOTION: Chupp to Machen to approve the amended February 12th minutes. Motion carried 3-0-1.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Don Tilton - made comments about the minutes in the newspaper, land in Southridge, and the 2022 Audit.

Tom Broeckelman - made comments about the minutes in the newspaper.

OLD BUSINESS

Charter Ordinance No. 20 - City Website as the Official City Newspaper

- Requested Guests: Nickole Byers & Mary Gerstner Gove County Advocate
- Came to give another overview of her opposition about the "official" city newspaper being the City Website, listed several reasonings for this (editorials can be found in the Gove County Advocate.)

** Council would like the public to know, the City plans to continue to use the local newspaper, the Gove County Advocate, in conjunction with the City of Quinter website, <u>www.cityofquinter.com</u>. If you are concerned about these changes, we encourage you to speak with any council member or Mayor Blackwill directly. We want to continue to expand our communication with the public and utilize all accessible avenues to notify our citizens about news, changes, and improvements in the City. Thank you, Quinter! **

Annexation of Proposed Daycare Property & Extension of 8th Street

Steve Hirsch (City Attorney) is processing this request.

Tom Broeckelman, Don Tilton, & Mary Gerstner left the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Land Bank Presentation – Jason Moses, Gove County Economic Director

- Gave a presentation on Land Banks, what they are, how they benefit the community, and how they are established (by ordinance) and governed (board of trustees.)
- · The City of Grainfield newly established one in September of last year.
- Benefits include being able to have a way to help manage dilapidated houses/properties.

Jason Moses left the meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mayor – Jeremy Blackwill

2022 Audit has been submitted and is being processed by Jim Myers.



Police – Kelly Rummel

- Gove County Health Department would like to send Kelly to a training in Newton, KS in late April for car seat safety and installation.
- Would like to install the radar speed limit sign on Castle Rock Street, will go to a commissioner's meeting to ask for their permission on this placement since it's on County property.
- AED was installed in the front entryway of City Hall.
- Trying to schedule CPR classes for city staff.
- Applied for a SRT Grant. .

Rec - Daryl Havlas

- Soccer will be starting at the beginning of April •
- Egg My Yard Fundraiser signups will be available March 1st .
- City Easter Egg Hunt will be March 30th at 11AM in the Quinter City Park •

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES MOTION: Machen moves Chupp seconds to pay vouchers 011433 through 011442, all listed automatic payments. Motion carries 4-0.

No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: There being no further business, Havlas moves Caasi seconds to adjourn the meeting at 8:53PM. Motion carries 4-0.

ATTEST:

Mayor, Jeremy Blackwill

Marissa Haffner, City Clerk



SEAL:

