***MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 10, 2022***

The Governing Body of the City of Hoxie, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, October 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the City Office. Present were:

Darrick Zerr, Mayor

Jim Erwin, Street Commissioner

Kevin Schoendaler, Water Commissioner

Janet Bainter, City Clerk

Justin Armknecht, City Superintendent

Paul Wisinger, Chief of Police

Ken Eland, City Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Darrick Zerr at 7:00 p.m. Guest present was Viktorija Briggs with the Sheridan Sentinel.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2022, were read and approved on a motion made by Schoendaler and a second by Erwin. Motion carried 3-0.

**Police Business**

Chief Wisinger asked about getting a dog kennel for his pickup so he wouldn’t have to put dogs that he’s picked up in the front. Mayor Zerr stated that he has a dog kennel that Wisinger can use. Wisinger will get the kennel from Zerr. Wisinger also informed the Commission that he was trying to get a quote on a new computer through CK Technologies and was waiting for a call back. Discussion was held on the Law Enforcement contract with the County. Wisinger stated that things were going well, and the contract would be expiring October 31, 2022. Wisinger would get with Sheriff Carver to work up a new contract. The County would like to contract for a year at a time for budget purposes. Wisinger will talk to Carver about contracting from November 1, 2022, to December 31, 2023, with the provision that either entity could get out of the contract at any time with a 30-day notice.

**City Clerk Business**

Bainter discussed transferring money into CD’s. She will call First State Bank, Equity Bank, and People’s State Bank for interest rates.

**2021 Audit**

Jim Myers, CPA with James V. Myers, Chartered entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m. to present the 2021 Audit report to the Commission. Mr. Myer informed the Commissioners that there were no statute or budget violations. Mayor Zerr made a motion to accept the audit report as presented. Erwin seconded the motion. (3-0) Myer exited at 7:26 p.m.

**Superintendent Business**

Armknecht spoke to B & H Paving about a quote for the chip seal project in the summer of 2023. B & H informed Armknecht that they couldn’t quote a price until next year but gave an approximate quote of $1.85 per square foot. Rural trash was discussed. Armknecht will check the amount of trash picked up at businesses and come to the Commission with a recommendation for customers that need their trash rate adjusted accordingly. A request for the city to put in a sidewalk at the school daycare was discussed. The city does curb and guttering, not sidewalks, and since the daycare was on school property the city couldn’t put in the sidewalk. The trailer house at 741 8th St. will be tore down by the city.

**City Attorney retiring**

Ken Eland informed the Commission that he would be retiring as City Attorney effective November 1, 2022. Harry Joe Pratt will be invited to the November meeting.

**Warrants**

The warrants and overtime for the month of September were reviewed, approved, and signed by the Commissioners.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, Mayor Zerr made a motion to adjourn. Erwin seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Janet Bainter, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk Darrick Zerr, Mayor

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Jim Erwin, Street Commissioner

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Kevin Schoendaler, Water Commissioner