

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF UDALL
Monday, July 10, 2017**

The Udall City Council met for the regular council meeting on *Monday, July 10, 2017*, at 6:30 p.m., at the city building. Mayor **Brown** called the meeting to order. Roll call was then taken with the following council members present: Michael **Graham**, Randall **Smith**, Jason **Tharp** and Damon **Wilson**. Lila **Aimes** was absent. Quorum established. Attending were Greg Crown, Maggie Schoonover, Kerri Falletti, Erik King, Eric Allen, and Lulita Hopkins.

MODIFICATION OF AGENDA:

MOTION: by **Smith**, second by **Wilson**, to approve agenda as amended tabling Ordinance #671 to the next meeting. All voted aye, motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. Kerri Falletti representing Cowley First, which is a county-wide economic development group equally funded by Arkansas City, City of Winfield and Cowley County. Their Advisory Committee works on program and projects bringing businesses and individuals to Cowley County. "Grow Rural Business" will be this Fall's project them. There will be WSU professors available to work with groups and Cowley Works workforce recruitment to encourage and attract workers to the area. Kerri also discussed programs working throughout the county such as this summer's Back Roads Diner program which has at this point distributed 1,000 punch cards to individuals who are to visit small cafes throughout the county in Atlanta, Burden, Rock and Udall.

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION: by **Wilson**, second by **Graham**, to approve the consent agenda and Clerks and Treasurer's Reports for June 2017, with correction(s) to the minutes of June 12, 2017, minutes of Special Meeting June 13, 2017, Expenditure Report of \$333,431.30, and Payroll Account Report Totals of \$17,768.75. All voted aye, motion carried with corrections to minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sewer Rates – The anticipated report from KRWA on sewer rates was not received. Item tabled to next meeting.
MOTION: by **Wilson**, second by **Tharp**, to table sewer rates discussion to the next meeting in August. All voted aye, motion carried.
2. Review USDA closing guidelines and time schedule, determine closing amount. The prepared time schedule for closing was presented to the council. There is an option of closing at \$1,000,000.00 and being reimbursed \$23,463 for expenses paid during construction.
MOTION: by **Wilson**, second by **Tharp**, to approve the loan closing amount of \$1,000,000.00 and accepting reimbursement of \$23,463.00. Closing scheduled for September 14, 2017. All voted aye, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. First Draft 2018 Budget – The council reviewed the first draft of the 2018 budget. Mayor Brown suggested to the council that next year the city should procure outside work on the budget either from the software company's consultant or another source.
2. Memorial bench for splash park in honor of Jerry Brown. The Mayor and Council wished to observe the passing of longtime Planning Commission member Jerry Brown. It has been suggested and approved by the Brown family for a bench to be purchased in memory of Jerry.
MOTION: by **Smith**, second by **Graham**, to approve purchase of a 6' green bench in memory of Jerry Brown. All voted aye, motion carried.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Tharp – Questioned the finishing of the streets with such a pronounced crown. This has been discussed with Eric Allen and passed on to the construction crew. The demolition derby had a crowd of approximately 400 people, financial outcome undetermined at this time. It was organized by the Fall Festival committee as a fund raiser.

Wilson – Asked if the splash pad could be open until 9:00 p.m. Eric Allen will be advised.

STAFF REPORTS:

Schoonover – Requested missing surveys from council members.

Brown – Commented that the fireworks display was better than ever this year. He thanked the SUN Club for their efforts in organizing the show.

MOTION: by **Smith**, second by **Wilson**, to adjourn. All voted aye, motion carried. Lulita Hopkins, City Clerk