

## KECHI CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, October 23, 2014

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor, Ed Parker called the regular meeting of the Kechi City Council to order at 7 PM October 23, 2014

Council present: Debbie Jacobs, Margaret McCormick, Brian Adams and David McConnaughay.  
Kevin Opat was absent

Staff Present: Robert Conger, City Administrator; John Blevins, Chief of Police; Andrew Marino, City Attorney; Laura Hill, City Clerk; Sally Lane, City Treasurer & Nicole Bailey, Finance Director/Treasurer

Visitors Present: Matt Heilman, Ark Valley News; Sandra McConnaughay, Jack McCormick

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### B. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion by** Brian Adams to approve the consent agenda. Second by Margaret McCormick.  
Motion carried 4-0-0.

#### Consent agenda

1. Approve minutes of October 9, 2014
2. Authorization to pay Cornejo Materials for 50 ton winter sand/salt mix supply for the winter season in the amount of \$3,653.00 chargeable to the street fund.

#### C. APPROVE AGENDA

**Motion by** Brian Adams to approve the agenda and for the executive session to be for the discussion of non-elected personnel for 10 minutes. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 4-0-0

### II. COMMUNICATIONS

#### A. PUBLIC FORUM-None

#### B. KECHI CIVIC GROUPS/COMMITTEES

1. Historical Post Office – none
2. Tree & Park Board

Jack McCormick reported the park board was proposing to plant 8 additional trees in the park. Junipers will be planted behind the convenience store, replace an Ash tree that was broken in a wind storm with a Saw tooth Oak and plant 2 Burr Oaks & an Arizona Cypress around on the east side. The cost will be approximately \$1,650.00.

**Motion by** David McConnaughay to authorize the expenditure of \$1,650.00 out of the park fund to purchase the trees. Second by Brian Adams. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Jack also reported that a resident has a tree to donate to the park. That tree will be placed between the convenience store and the park parking lot.

#### C. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Chief of Police** – John Blevins, Chief of Police; provided the council with a written report. Reported the department was assisting with the back ground checks and finger printing of city employees and the new IT personnel.

**Treasurer** – Sally Lane reported that she and the newly appointed Finance Director/Treasurer had been working together, training on the program & getting familiar with everything.

**City Administrator** – Robert Conger, City Administrator; submitted a written report. Asked the council to attend is possible the Leadership Forum on Long-Term Economic Prosperity on

October 28<sup>th</sup> Exploration Place from 4:30-7:00 PM Also reported to the council that there will be a public viewing open house for the Comprehensive Plan Draft on November 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00PM in the community room.

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

New Home Building Incentive Program & Business Grants

Robert Conger, City Administrator; asked the council to extend the current New Home Building Incentive and Business Grants for another year to December 31, 2015.

**Motion by** David McConnaughay to extend the New Home Building & New Business Incentives until December 31, 2015. Second by Brain Adams. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Resolution 14-637** – Authorization for signature, transfer & withdrawal of funds within the municipal investment pool accounts.

Laura Hill, City Clerk reported that this resolution would authorize new signers/new employees on the Kansas Municipal Investment accounts.

**Motion by** David McConnaughay to adopt Resolution 14-637 to authorize new signers/new employees on the Kansas Municipal Investment accounts. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 4-0-0.

**V. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel Matters**

**Motion by** Brain Adams to go into executive session for 10 minutes and to include the City Administrator and the City Attorney, Council & Mayor. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 4-0-0. The time was 7:55 PM

**Action taken after executive session**

**Motion by** Margaret McCormick to authorize the pay plan increase to Thomas Bevan, Assistant Public Works Director to level 4 Step 4. Second by David McConnaughay Motion carried 4-0-0.

**VI. Adjournment**

**Motion by** David McConnaughay to adjourn. Second by Margaret McCormick. Motion carried 4-0-0. The time was 8:15 PM.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ed Parker, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Hill, City Clerk