

City of Clearwater, Kansas
Sedgwick County
City Council Workshop - **MINUTES**
June 30, 2020
Clearwater City Hall – Council Chambers
129 E. Ross Avenue Clearwater, KS 67026

1. Call to Order/ Invocation and Flag Salute

Mayor Burt Ussery called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

The City Clerk confirmed the presence of a quorum. The following members were present:

Mayor Burt Ussery, Councilmembers; Justin Shore, Shirley Palmer-Witt, Chris Griffin, and Chad Pike were present.

Yvonne Coon was absent.

The following staff members were present:

Ron Marsh, City Administrator, Courtney Meyer, City Clerk, Chadd Posch, Jared Dinwiddie, Kirk Ives, Ernie Misak, Justin Patrick, Cole Hollis.

3. Budget Discussion

Ron Marsh stated that after the last council meeting staff reviewed the budget one final time and was able to decrease the mil increase from 6.90 to 1.67. That is equivalent to a \$2.50 increase per month on a home that is assessed at \$150,000. The decrease does include paying off the bank loan for the business park. If council does not elect to pay off the bank note the mill increase will jump up to 3.67 and would have to go to a vote if there are no other cuts.

Council reviewed the presented budget. Palmer-Witt had some questions regarding line item changes for clarification.

With no other questions for the staff, Mayor Ussery advised Council to review the budget binder and get with staff if they have any questions between now and the next council meeting. At the next meeting Council will be voting to set the budget hearing for August 11th. The budget will need to be agreed upon during next meeting so the paper can publish the hearing notice.

4. Proceeds from Sale of Business Park

Mayor Ussery stated the financial advisor made some suggestions for the use of the proceeds. Mayor Ussery stated the advisor suggested Council pay off the bank note and then put the other funds towards starting a new project if the City was already planning on projects to avoid extra expense of issuing temp notes for the planned projects.

Council discussed the project ideas that have been presented at previous Council meetings. They had a consensus to put the funds towards paying off the bank note plus projects towards beautification. They would like staff to start to get pricing on creating a seating area in the empty lot at Ross and Tracy as well as new park shelters.

5. Adjournment

With no further discussion Mayor Ussery called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: *Griffin* moved; *Shore* seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voted and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM

CERTIFICATE

State of Kansas }
County of Sedgwick }
City of Clearwater }

I, Courtney Meyer, City Clerk of the City of Clearwater, Sedgwick County, Kansas, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the June 30, 2020 City Council meeting.

Given under my hand and official seal of the City of Clearwater, Kansas, this 14th day of July 2020

Courtney Meyer, City Clerk