

TO City of Clearwater, Kansas
Sedgwick County
City Council Meeting - **MINUTES**
February 9th, 2022
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. followed the invocation and flag salute.

2. Roll Call

The City Clerk called the roll to confirm the presence of a quorum. The following members were present: Mayor Burt Ussery, Councilmembers; Tim Robben, Tex Titterington, Chad Pike, Crystal Walter, and Justin Shore were present.

The following staff members were present:

Courtney Zollinger, City Administrator, Jaye Poe, City Clerk, Cole Hollis, Chief Jared Dinwiddie, Chadd Posch, and Chief Kirk Ives. Amber Ives was present in go to meeting.

Tricia Nichols was also present.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: *Pike* moved; *Titterington* seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Voted and passed unanimously.

4. Public Forum

None

5. Consent Agenda

- a. Previous Council Meeting Minutes
- b. Claims and Warrants

Motion: *Walter* moved; *Robben* seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voted and passed unanimously.

6. Staff Reports

- Administration Office – Courtney Zollinger – Council had no questions.
- Fire Department – Jared Dinwiddie – Council had no questions.
- Police Department – Kirk Ives – Shore asked about Training officers on the FLOCK cameras. Kirk stated the officers have been training and have had 3 major incidents where the cameras have picked up on. The cameras are working great.
- Park – Chadd Posch – Update on Park Shelter base being done.
- Public Works – Cole Hollis –Pike asked about the broken windmill street signs. Cole stated they are fixed in house and are costly and timely to fix. It takes about 2-3 days. Zollinger stated they have discussed keeping them on the Main intersections downtown. Robben asked about snow removal after snowstorm, Cole stated his department did a good job cleaning it up.

- Senior Center – Amber Ives – Amber added to her report that CIMS will be doing a fundraiser for the Senior Center. Shore asked if her clients have had on-line safety training. Amber stated she has that on her list to get done.

7. Business

a. Discussion: Park Advisory Board 5-year Plan

Samantha Warkins and Craig Mellen were present for the presentation of the Park Advisory Board 5-year Plan. Councilmembers discussed approving the 2022 projects. Mayor Burt Ussery suggested to the playground fall protection all at once and not spread it over the proposed 5-year plan.

PROJECTS	Approx./Total Cost	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Playground Fall Protection	\$194,412		26,973	28,038	45,500	74,950	61,793
Recoating Basketball Court	\$30,230	30,230					
Recoating Park Bathrooms/Concession	\$18,440	18,440					
Batting Cage Upgrade	\$1,000	1,000					
Playground @Sports Complex	\$50,000						
2 nd Basketball Court	\$70,000						
Picnic Area at Sports Complex	\$6,000						
Volleyball Courts	\$30,000						
New Concession Stand	\$400,000						
New Surface/ Parking Stops Sports Complex							
Sunshades over bleachers at Sports Complex							
Lights along walking path at Sports Complex							
Storm Shelter east side of town							
TOTAL COST OF PROJECTS	\$800,000	49,670	26,973	28,038	45,500	74,950	61,793

Motion: *Shore* moved, *Pike* seconded to approve the park upgrades not to exceed \$50,000.00.

b. Consider Ordinance 1080- SKT Franchise Tax

Donna Van Allen with SKT is present.

The City is granted authority to create Franchise Agreements with utility providers. Over the years, the city has entered, and extended a Franchise Agreement with SKT for the phone service that is provided by the company to the residents within the city. The original contract was made in 1981 and has been extended in 2002, 2007, 2012, and 2017. The Franchise Agreement was set up on a 5-year renewal and is up for renewal in 2022. The base of the agreement provides access for SKT to operate the phone system within city rights-of-way. This includes the placement of poles, lines, and other apparatus within the city. The agreement is non-exclusive, in that another phone company could operate within the city if they so desired. The agreement itself is for a five (5) year period with two (2) additional five (5) year periods built in. It does maintain that with proper notice of 180 days, the city or SKT may request to terminate or renegotiate the Franchise Agreement.

Motion: *Walter* moved; *Pike* seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 1080 establishing a contract franchise authorizing SKT to construct, maintain and operate as a

telecommunications services provider in the public right-of-way of the city of Clearwater. Voted and approved unanimously.

8. Governing Body Comments

Walter - nothing to report- asked about update on City Logo. Zollinger stated she will reach out and get update.

Shore - stated he and Zollinger got the City Facebook page up and running. Shore stated the survey needs to be completed and timeline for completion is the end of the week.

Pike - nothing

Titterington – Thanked the City for the flowers for his aunts passing.

Robben – Spoke with business owners downtown, he suggested we should offer incentives to the business owners for improvements.

Ussery – would like more surveys to be turned in. Ussery, Zollinger, Robben and Dinwiddie spoke with Sedgwick County Commissioner Lopez about CRV. We need to offer incentives, Recruitment and encourage volunteers to join. Sedgwick county having staffing issues. Sedgwick county paving only from 95th to just past the entrance of PCCA not 119th like he previously stated.

9. Executive Session

None

10. Adjournment

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

Motion: *Shore* moved; *Robben* seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voted and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

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

I, Carol Reitberger, Deputy 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 February 8, 2022, City Council meeting.

Given under my hand and official seal of the City of Clearwater, Kansas, this 22nd day of February 2022.



Jaye Poe, City Clerk