

CITY OF BASEHOR

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY

BASEHOR, KANSAS 66007

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City Council Meeting February 1, 1977

Council Members Present: Mayor Clarence Worley Council-David Cochran, John Ebert, Allen Goens, Margaret Sterner, Anna Mary Landauer.

Others Present: Douglas Waters, City Attorney; Sylvia Lovvorn, City Clerk; Virginia Williams, City Treasurer; Leo Martell, City Engineer; Citizens of the Community.

MINUTES

Minutes of the regular council meeting January 4th, 1977 were approved as printed. Minutes of the special meeting January 15th, 1977 were corrected and approved with an addition.

TREASURERS REPORT

When the treasurers report was considered Virginia Williams spoke to the council about the new forms the appropriation Ordinance appeared on for the month of January. She informed council that this was the form accountant Wayne Wolf had recommended we use. Also that the second set of books will no longer be kept. Cochran asked if this seems to be working. Her reply was yes, and this will show the complete year on a monthly basis, also that the cumulative figures are always available, which should be an advantage to the council, she said. She went on to inform council that Citizens Mutual does not allow a 3 month CD. M. Sterner then moved to reinvest in CD's for 3 months \$10,000.00 with the First State Bank in Tonganoxie. This CD will mature February 20th. A. Landauer gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. M. Sterner moved to accept the treasurers report and to adopt appropriation Ordinance #116. A. Goens gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried.

PETITIONS & REQUESTS

Mayor asked for petitions or requests from the citizens present. There were none.

PETITION AGAINST THE CITY

Mayor Worley then addressed the council concerning a phone conversation he had had with A. K. Mussett about this petition. Mussett is asking the council for a compromise on the Solid Waste pick-up for the 19 people who are listed on the petition against the City. Much discussion followed. Mayor Worley stated that a good many of these people are handling their own trash, because of this they feel they should not be charged by the City. Waters stated that if this is a compromise it should be handled individually or through their attorney. D. Cochran moved that Mr. Mussett's request for a compromise and a meeting with their attorney be denied until the council is given more specific details. M. Sterner gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried.

MAYOR PRESENTED TWO PROPOSALS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Mayor Worley presented two proposals to Council stating he would like the Council to consider. He went on to say, "if you are interested I would asked that these items be sent to committee for detailed study and then returned to the council for action." The first of the proposals presented was to merge the animal control with the police department causing animal control officer Gabel to be a commissioned reserve officer and paid on an hourly basis, purchase a truck or a station wagon for use by the Police Department and the animal control. He went on to say he felt this could, on a long term basis, save the city some money. Sterner felt this idea had a lot of merit. Cochran agreed that a merger could work. A. Landauer moved for this to go to the committee for study. D. Cochran gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. The second proposal was dealing with the city clerk's job and the sewer and trash billing. Worley stated that since there were members of

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the Council that felt there was not enough work being done in the office of the City Clerk now, causing the sewer and trash billing to be done in the clerk's office might justify a full time job. When federal money stops we can not pay for a full time clerk as it now stands. Also should the clerk's job go back to a four hour a day job the city will probably need to get another clerk because she can not live on \$220.00 per month. He went on to suggest that the sewer and trash billing be done on a quarterly basis which would save postage for the city and the citizen, plus make less book work. Council agreed to take this to committee also. The Mayor then appointed M. Sterner and J. Ebert to serve on the committee with A. Landauer and D. Cochran.

WATERS REPORTS ON 47 PROPERTY OWNERS

Waters informed Council that the County Assessor had called Mayor Worley concerning some 47 property owners in the City of Basehor that were annexed five years ago, are paying a different tax assessment because they were not provided city services. He stated that the Assessor said he was told by Basehor's former attorney to keep the assessment the same because of the lack of services. Now that services are being provided the base should be changed. Waters stated that Feezor as Assessor has a statutory duty to make this fair. Waters also stated that this is common practice until services are provided. Following much discussion Waters gave an approximate dollar figure of some \$2,877.39 using the 1976 mill levy as what it would mean to the city for these to be changed. The assessment for the Basehor residents are figured on a 10% base and the 47 mentioned are assessed on 40% now. Much discussion followed with M. Sterner making a motion to instruct Waters to write a letter to Assessor Feezor to reduce the 47 property owners in question to the 10% to be equal with the rest of Basehor residents. Mayor Worley asked if there is any notification that should be sent to these people? Waters answered this is the County Assessor's job. D. Cochran gave a second to Sterner's motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. Waters will ask Feezor to notify these people in advance. Waters continued his report with a discussion concerning the Solid Waste contract. He stated that the increase of 25¢ could be considered as notification. Mayor Worley felt since the number of homes had increased the raise was not needed. Waters asked if the Council wanted Mike Knaub to appear at the Council meeting in March. Council agreed this should be done. Waters will inform Solid Waste of Council wishes.

TAX PAYERS PROTEST

Waters stated that there had been no response from the attorney representing the tax payers protest concerning Solid Waste petition.

MILL LEVY VOTE

Waters presented to Council his proposal of the wording for the mill levy question Council has directed to appear on the ballot in April general election. He explained that the statutes will not allow the wording (mill), but does require a dollar amount to appear on the ballot. Also that this can go for from one to five years. Following much discussion D. Cochran moved that the dollar amount be \$8,000.00, that the word Police be inserted with streets and other services and that the time be for two years. M. Sterner gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. Waters will prepare the question and get it to the County Clerk before February 18th for printing.

REAVIS REPORTS

Earl Reavis, chief of police, presented the resignation from Larry Eyerly and stated that there would be a resignation from Bob Gabel coming in soon. D. Cochran moved to accept the resignation of Larry Eyerly from the reserve force affective January 31, 1977. J. Ebert gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. Reavis asked that Frank Eyerly be appointed to the reserve force. He will take emergency calls during the day, dispatch officers on major calls and handle minor calls. Reavis said this will also give Basehor residents a place to call with out paying a toll charge. A. Goens moved to accept Frank Eyerly as a reserve officer. J. Ebert gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. Pay for Mr. Eyerly was then discussed. It was decided that he will receive \$40.00 per month for dispatching

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and \$2.20 per hour for on call service. Reavis informed council that Leonard Lacy will be leaving some time in April. He then asked for two men to be allowed to take the training. They are John Lenahan and Fred Sullivan. A. Goens moved to allow this training to begin. A. Landauer gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried. Discussion followed about the pay raise for the Chief of Police and the reserve officers. Waters will present a pay resolution at the March meeting. Sterner brought up the ride a long program stating that Waters will be checking with the Insurance company. She said the law has changed to allow this kind of a program and that forms will be made available that would release the city from any liability.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Carolee Gabel appeared to discuss the possibility of changing the procedure of using Dr. Andrews in Bonner for animal's that need to be picked up. She explained that the city ordinance had not been complied with at Andrews office and that he had not made arrangements for her to have a place to put animals in this cold weather. Much discussion followed with M. Sterner giving her findings of using Dr. Wasson in Tonganoxie. He charges \$2.50 per day for board which is 50 cents more than Andrews, \$10.00 for euthanasia and disposal. Following much discussion A. Landauer made a motion to change to Dr. Wasson, amend ordinance #104 to read \$2.50 per day for board, and notify the public that a \$15.00 charge will be paid to the city clerk before a dog can be claimed from the veterinarian. D. Cochran gave a second to this motion. Five yes-opposed none. Motion Carried.

MARTELL REPORTS

Leo Martell reported that Mr. ^{Richard}~~George~~ Kennard has accused builder John Simac of a sewer encroachment. He presented a drawing showing there had been no encroachment and stated that he will inform the Kennard's by letter of his findings.

CETA FOR CITY CLERK

City Clerk informed Council that Roy Coleman of CETA had stated that the fifty-fifty plan of the city paying half and the county paying half of the clerk's salary will not be allowed. Much discussion followed with A. Landauer stating that Commissioner Lewis had told her the funds would be available. The Mayor had also been told this. The clerk explained that Mr. Coleman felt Lewis was speaking on On The Job Training funds for which the clerk would not qualify. Since the Council agreed to pay half and the county would pay half the clerk was instructed to continue the job and contact the Commissioner's again.

Cochran left the meeting at 10:10.

ORDINANCE #115

A. Landauer moved to wave the second reading of Ordinance #115 and adopt as presented. M. Sterner gave a second to this motion. Three yes-one no (Ebert). Motion Carried. Clerk was directed to order the electrical permit forms.

A. Goens gave a verbal report on the city tractor.

Mayor Worley informed Council he had attended a Water Board meeting at the request of Chairman Richard Warden. The City had been told they could not have water to flush out city sewer lines. Mr. Warden told the Mayor at the Water Board meeting that this had been done because the season had been so dry, and that the City could have water to flush sewer lines if such a condition did not exist. Warden was present and confirmed the Mayor's report.

There being no further business A. Landauer moved second by M. Sterner this meeting be adjourned. Four yes-opposed none. Motion Carried.

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