

KECHI CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 28, 2020

Prior to calling meeting to order, City Clerk, Theresa Morlan read meeting protocols for the “Virtual Meeting” rules and compliance to Kansas Open Meeting Act. Meeting was presented using Zoom Meetings and was streaming on Kechi’s website and YouTube.

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor John Speer called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Council present: Matt Brewer, Betty Washington, Richard Haddock, Margaret McCormick, and Brian Adams

City staff present: Robert Conger, City Administrator; Andrew Kovar, City Attorney; Jessie Woodrow, Chief of Police; Kamme Sroufe, Treasurer/Finance Director; Thomas Bevan, Director of Public Works; Joseph Trumbull, Police Lieutenant; and Theresa Morlan, City Clerk.

Guests present: Craig Stuart

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Mayor Speer.

B. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Margaret McCormick to approve the Consent Agenda, and it was seconded by Richard Haddock. Motion carried 5-0-0

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes May 14, 2020
2. Appropriation Ordinance #762

C. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Brian Adams to approve agenda with striking Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Margaret McCormick and carried 5-0-0.

II. COMMUNICATIONS - None

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Rock Pointe Lot Swap - The City of Kechi owns Lot 20, Block 4 in Rock Pointe. The developers of Rock Pointe Phase 2, CCJ, LLC, wish to exchange their ownership of Lot 10 for Lot 20. The exchange better facilitates the developer’s objectives.

Motion by Margaret McCormick to not approve the property exchange. The motion was seconded by Brian Adams and carried 5-0-0.

B. Woodlawn Culvert and Street Repair Change Orders #1, #2, and #3. – Change order #1 is to change the start date to May 25th to allow project to begin after school was scheduled to be out. Change order #2 is to allow project to start May 11th as schools had shut down early. Change Order #3 is to change the number of linear feet of Thermal Crack repair from the original contracted amount of 200lf to 1029lf. The cost of the additional 829lf s \$14,922.00. The length of the contract time would increase an additional 15 days.

Motion by Betty Washington to approve all three change orders. Brian Adams seconded the motion, which carried 5-0-0.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ad Astra: Reopening Kansas Modified Phase 2 Update

Motion by Brian Adamas to approve following the Ad Astra plan and allowing the Community Room be open to groups of less than 15 people with sanitizing between groups, the cost passed on to the group, and no more than one group per day. Motion seconded by Margaret McCormick. The motion carried 5-0-0.

B. Kechi Rd and Oliver Intersection Project – Utilities Relocation City Finance Director, Kamme Sroufe had presented during the workshop, several options for possible cost of relocating power lines, both underground and overhead, as well as funding needs. The Council asked for more information related to costs and funding. There was no action taken.

C. Future Meeting Preferences – With changes to meetings under Phase 2, City Council expressed desire to return to meetings being held in person in the Council Chambers. Social distancing will be enforced, and masks will be optional. If needed to ensure the maximum number of allowed participants is not exceeded, the Community Room can be used for live streaming.

Off Agenda Item - City Administrator thanked all of the City Staff for their hard work and dedication through the increased demands that were presented because of the Corona virus and rising above the situation. He presented the “Kechi Rock Star” award for “Over and Above Service to Our Citizens” to Theresa Morlan for her efforts to maintain operations at City Hall during closure and personnel changes.

IV. Adjournment

Motion by Matt Brewer to adjourn. It was seconded by Betty Washington. Motion carried 5-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Signed: _____
John Speer, Mayor

Attest: _____
Theresa Morlan, City Clerk