

April 20, 2022

The governing body of the City of Seneca met in regular session April 20, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., in the council room, located at 531 Main Street, Seneca, Kansas. Present were Mayor Joe Mitchell and council members Alice Lackey, Lukas Koch, Jim Mitchell, Ray Shinn, and Steve Bennett. Mike Stallbaumer was absent. Also present were Tami Haverkamp, Jordan Weaver, Courtney Schmelzle, Tony Altenhofen, Brock Corby, Barry Broxterman, Kirt Henry, Jerry Quint, Angel O'Neil, Matt Diehl, and Robert Wolfgang.

Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 6, 2022. The motion was seconded by Ray Shinn. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve Appropriation Ordinance Number 1420. The motion was seconded by Lukas Koch. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Barry Broxterman, Tony Altenhofen, and Brock Corby presented the annual Spring Creek Golf Course Report.

Courtney Schmelzle with Nemaha Valley Community Hospital presented their campaign for expansion and renovation – Investing in our Families and Future. Courtney explained NVCH is applying for a Community Tax Credit Grant and requested the city issue a letter of support for the project. Jim Mitchell made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the NVCH expansion project. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Kirt Henry was present on behalf of the American Legion Riders, requesting permission for a public fire works display on July 9, 2022. Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the discharge of fireworks for the purpose of a public fireworks display on July 9<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Lukas Koch. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the use of up to \$5000 of Travel & Tourism funds as match dollars for money raised by the ALR for the July 9<sup>th</sup> Fireworks. The motion was seconded by Alice Lackey. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:00 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to go into executive session for fifteen minutes until 8:15 p.m. with the governing body and Tami for a personnel matter with possible action to be taken. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:15 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to extend executive session for five minutes until 8:20 p.m. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:20 p.m., the meeting was reopened.

Mayor Mitchell appointed Jordan Weaver to the position of Recreation and Community Development Director at a salary of \$55,000 starting May 1, 2022. Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Jordan Weaver to the position of recreation and community development director. The motion was seconded by Alice Lackey. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Mitchell appointed Dylan Blevins as Interim Chief of Police at \$23 per hour starting May 1, 2022. Alice Lackey made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Dylan Blevins as Interim Chief of Police starting May 1. The motion was seconded Ray Shinn. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Mitchell appointed Jerry Quint as Code Enforcement Officer at \$20 per hour starting May 1, 2022. Alice Lackey made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Jerry Quint as Code Enforcement Officer starting May 1. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Alice Lackey made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Mitchell. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Michele Spring  
City Clerk