

June 7, 2023

The governing body of the City of Seneca met in regular session June 7, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., in the council room, located at 531 Main Street, Seneca, Kansas. Present were Mayor Joe Mitchell and council members Jim Mitchell, Joe Schmelzle, Alice Lackey, Ray Shinn, Steve Bennett, and Mike Stallbaumer. Also present were Brian Rusche, April Swartz, Robert Wolfgang, Matt Diehl, and Michele Spring.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held May 17, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alice Lackey. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on May 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Ray Shinn. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Joe Schmelzle made a motion to approve Appropriation Ordinance Number 1447. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

April Swartz with Varney & Associates presented the 2022 audit report. April reported a clean audit and was pleased with everything.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the Oasis Subdivision Plat submitted by Turner and Diana Harris. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve a request by Kate Haynie, Library Director, to appoint Rick Carlson to replace Paul Boeding and the reappointment of Michael Philbrick on the Seneca Free Library Board. Both are 4-year terms expiring April 2027. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Brian Rusche explained to the council what work he would like to have J & B Contractors do for curb and gutter work in 2023. Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the curb and gutter projects that will total \$59,122. The motion was seconded by Joe Schmelzle. All voted yes. Motion carried. The council discussed with Brian that once the new administrator gets started that they needed to discuss adding more to the budget for curb and gutter work and also the sidewalk improvement policy.

Mayor Mitchell announced that Dylan Blevins will be working with City Attorney Martin Mishler on some issues going on at the airport.

Ray Shinn announced the sales tax received for the month of May was \$118,146.07.

Brian Rusche announced that phase 2 of the street project should begin on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. The council asked Brian to schedule a progress meeting a couple weeks after phase 2 is started.

Alice Lackey made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Mitchell. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Michele Spring  
City Clerk