

March 20, 2024

The governing body of the City of Seneca met in regular session March 20, 2024 at 7:30 p.m., in the council room, located at 531 Main Street, Seneca, Kansas. Present were Mayor Joe Mitchell and council members Joe Schmelzle, Steve Bennett, Kris Enneking, Jim Mitchell, Ray Shinn, and Mike Stallbaumer. Also present were Steve Brooks, City Attorney Martin Mishler, Brian Rusche, Dylan Blevins, Philip Steinlage, Jordan Weaver, Brooke Stallbaumer, Jeff Kidd, Steve and Donna Sudbeck, and Michele Spring.

Kris Enneking made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 6, 2024. The motion was seconded by Joe Schmelzle. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Kris Enneking made a motion to approve Appropriation Ordinance Number 1466. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jeff Kidd presented the annual SBS insurance renewal that will go in effect on 4/1/24. Jeff presented 3 numbers for different deductibles. Option 1 is \$50,000 property deductible for \$209,331; Option 2 is \$25,000 property deductible for \$214,290; Option 3 is \$10,000 property deductible for \$222,147. The council asked Jeff to research the numbers that the city has been paid back when insurance was used. Jeff will get the numbers back for the council to renew. Ray Shinn made a motion to allow the finance committee to the final decision on what deductible would be best for the city. The motion was seconded by Joe Schmelzle. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jordan Weaver presented his request to hire Brooke Stallbaumer for a second year as pool manager. Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the hire of Brooke Stallbaumer as pool manager. The motion was seconded by Kris Enneking. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Brooke Stallbaumer presented her request of lifeguards to hire for Summer 2024. Brooke plans to rotate the lifeguards in shifts to take gate and work concessions, so this year they are not hiring concession workers. Mike Stallbaumer made a motion to hire Brooke's request of lifeguards. The motion was seconded by Kris Enneking. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve Resolution 03202024-1 Goldilocks Too Plat. The motion was seconded by Ray Shinn. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve Resolution 03202024-2 Wildcat Creek Plat. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jordan Weaver presented an update on the Fitness Court. Premier Concrete with the assistance of the city maintenance crew plan to start yet this week on pouring the concrete slab. The slab needs to be finished 28 days before the May 6 installation date.

Brian Rusche presented an update on the North City Park. It has been recommended to remove three trees on the south side that are currently in the right of way and replace them with three new trees outside the right of way. The removal of the trees is necessary for the new sidewalks and parking around the park.

Dylan Blevins announced the promotion of Philip Steinlage as Investigator. Phil recently completed training for the investigator roll. The council congratulated Philip and thanked him for his hard work.

The Nemaha County Catbackers plan to be at Skoch Park on Thursday, May 23, 2024. They are requesting food trucks to be brought in for this event. Mike Stallbaumer expressed that local business have asked if they can be included in this. Ray Shinn made a motion to allow food trucks at the event with proof of sales tax and food license. The motion was seconded by Joe Schmelzle. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:43p.m. Jim Mitchell made a motion to go into executive session for 20 minutes until 9:03 p.m. for attorney-client privilege to include the governing body, Martin, and Steve with no action. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 9:03 p.m. Jim Mitchell made a motion to go back into open session. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Kris Enneking made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Mitchell. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Michele Spring  
City Clerk