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Mayor Ryff called the November 5th, 2018 regular council meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the council in the pledge of allegiance. Mayor Larry Ryff asked me to do roll call, it showed the following present: Gordon Hunnicutt, Carol Lauxman, David Wendt and Fred French. Robin Moniz was absent.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Carol Lauxman motioned to dispense with reading of the previous minutes and approve the way they were written, Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion and the motion passed 4-0.

Appropriation Ordinance: The Council reviewed the Appropriation Ordinance 1088. Carol Lauxman made a motion to accept Appropriation Ordinance #1088 and Gordon Hunnicutt Seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Financial Statement: Mayor Ryff said next on the agenda is the financial statement with Heather Stackley. Heather said that she found a mistake in the September Financial Statement, so she corrected it and made a revised Statement. She explained that she would be adding a percentage rate beside the Certificate of Deposits, so everyone will know what they are. David Wendt motioned to approve the Financial Statements and Fred French seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0. Mayor Ryff then went over the purchases made out of the Special Water Project checking account. He said if there were no questions we would move on. A discussion took place among the Mayor and Council. The Mayor explained that it would be discuss in more detail later in the meeting.

New Business: Mayor Ryff said that there was a building permit submitted by Daniel Comer, he explained that he had bought Bill Rickenbrodes house. He said the Mr. Comer was wanting to install a chain link fence. David Wendt made a motion to approve the building permit. Carol Lauxman seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Next is sewer cleaning contract from Mayer. The Mayor explained that it was a little late, but he thought we should go ahead and get it scheduled before the end of the year. David Wendt motioned to approve the Mayer sewer cleaning contract and Fred French seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Police Report: Mayor Ryff said he would take a break and let the Sheriff's Deputy do his report now that he was here. The Officer apologized for being late and explained that he had been call to the scene of an accident. He said a semi had hit a cow on highway 15. The Officer handed out the report, Mayor Ryff said it looked good and thanked the Deputy and the Deputy left.

New Business: Mayor Ryff said last Friday when I was getting the Council packets ready the printer/copier stopped working. According to Consolidated Printing the problem was the power board. The parts are no longer available, so they are not able to repair the printer/copier. Mayor Ryff asked me to tell the Council about the quotes that I put together. I explained that Consolidated Printing had come out and presented two options one new and one used. I also had contacted Navrat's and they had sent an email they had two options as well one new and one used. After a discussion between the Council, Mayor and myself, Gordon Hunnicutt made a motion to purchase a printer from Consolidated Printing and to get a service agreement with them as well. Carol Lauxman seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

Old Business: Mayor Ryff said that about two days after last month's meeting, we received a water contract from the City of Herington. He said it was basically the same contract that was in the Council packets last month, but now it had a couple of new items added. Mayor Ryff explained that he wanted to discuss the Council's opinions on the new items, so we could get something figured out to get back to our attorney. A lengthy discussion took place among the Council and Mayor. The Mayor said that he would get ahold of the City's attorney to review the changes the council had requested as well as getting ahold of Herington's Interim City Manager to go over the requests. Mayor Ryff said next was an email from Thaniel with BG Consultants. He said the first two paragraphs are about easements. He said after that was Thaniel's available times to come out and review the maps of the water project. Mayor Ryff said that he thought it would be good for some of the Council to come if possible. He said that he thought it would maybe be something Dan Coup would be interested in as well as Chad Lorson. A brief discussion took place and they pick Wednesday November 14th at 2pm to have Thaniel meet with everyone. Mayor Ryff ask if the Council had given any more thought to the amount to pay for permanent easements for the water project. After a lengthy conversation the topic was tabled until the next council meeting. Mayor Ryff said another item was that BG Consultants were getting ready to send in permits for the railroad, KDOT, County and KDHE. He said he was not sure of the amounts of these permits but wanted the Council's approval to write checks to pay for these permits out of the Special Water Project Account. Carol Lauxman motioned to approve to pay for the permits and Gordon Hunnicutt seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Mayors Discussion: He said the only thing he was going to ask was for the Council permission for two loads of rock. One load for down at the shop and

one for the railroad street by VanHook's. He said that the street was getting in a bad way and that it needed rock. Carol Lauxman made a motion for two loads of gravel. Fred French seconded the motion and the motion carried 4-0.

Maintenance Report: Billy said he had been cleaning up the ditches. He said that he had used some more of the asphalt up filling in pot holes. Billy said he had been putting rock in the alleys. He said that he had got John Moniz's water meter and lines moved. He said that he has been checking all the fluids in the vehicles getting them winterized. Billy said that he has been checking on all the heaters making sure they are all working right. He said that he burned the burn pit and got it all cleaned up for winter in case of emergencies. Gordon asked if there was anything else that he needed down at the shop. Billy said that he was planning to put some plex-glass in the backhoe window. He said that he needed tires for the truck. Billy said that he got a quote from Ryan and that the tires would cost \$220.00, he also got a quote from L & J and John's were \$240.00.

Clerks Report: Called James Andrew to let him know that his building permit had been approved. I boxed up the defective light from the caution light and sent it to Stanion. I also emailed Dennis to let him know that I had put it in the mail. Brenda Wildman the City of Herington's interim city manager emailed a copy of their final water contract. I reviewed the contract and looked for the differences from the previous version. Went to the cemetery to locate bricks so we could mark the grave for a memorial service. Spoke to Barry Lorson about the process to donate his property. Received an email from Kaw Valley Engineering attached was the description of the property Barry Lorson is donating to the city. I talked to Larry about the email. He asked me to forward the information onto Brian Bina and to include the map that was in the Council packets last month. I was also cc'd in emails between Thaniel and Brian. Basically, Thaniel and Brian discussed the permanent easements that will be required. They also discussed the preferred process of relocation of water meters that may be on property. Also discussed was the existing Ordinance and its wording, and both feel comfortable with it. Brian will receive packets for all the easements as well as provide us with "Notice of Intent" documents to provide to each property owner. Took care of all quarterly payments to the Judge, City Treasurer, Council Members, Fire District, as well as all the state sales tax & withholding tax and federal taxes, court cost and Water Protection Fees. I started getting the Council packets ready and the printer decided to quit working. Called Consolidated and Navrat's for quotes.

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David Wendt made a motion to adjourn and Carol Lauxman seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

_____ Larry Ryff, Mayor

Attest:

_____ Joni Rikard, Clerk