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Mayor Ryff called the September 14th, 2022 regular council meeting to order at 7:00pm and led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

The Mayor asked me to do roll call, it showed the following present: Fred French, Ginger Stewart and Daniel Schwindt. Gordon Hunnicutt and Robin Moniz were absent. Mayor Ryff said we do have a quorum.

Mayor Ryff opened the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing, He asked the Council if they had any questions and allowed for comments. Nobody had any comments. Ginger Stewart made a motion to close the Revenue Neutral Rate hearing and Fred French seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Ginger Stewart made a motion to adopt Resolution 22-007, a roll call vote showed Fred French – yes, Ginger Stewart – yes, and Daniel Schwindt -yes the motion carried 3-0. Mayor Ryff opened the budget hearing for 2023, he asked if there were any comments or if the Council had any questions. There were no questions or comments. Fred French made a motion to adopt the 2023 Budget, Ginger Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The Mayor said he would entertain a motion to close the 2023 budget hearing. Daniel Schwindt made a motion to close the 2023 budget hearing. Ginger Stewart seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Mayor Ryff said the next item of business is the minutes from the previous meeting. Ginger Stewart made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and approve them as written. Daniel Schwindt seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Appropriation Ordinance: Mayor Ryff said next is appropriation ordinance #1134. Fred French made a motion to accept appropriation ordinance #1134, Ginger Stewart seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Treasurers Report: The Mayor said that Heather had a ball game to attend, and she wouldn't be here. He asked if there were any questions about the financial statement. There were no questions. Daniel Schwindt made a motion to accept the financial statement for August 2022, Fred French seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Mayor Ryff said that there are two CD's the mature this month, there was a conversation about what to do with the CD's between the Council and Mayor. Fred French made a motion to rollover the CDs to the new rates for another 91-day period. Daniel Schwindt seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

New Business: The Mayor said there isn't much for new business. He said that there are two booklets out front, STO/UPOC are traffic ordinance books for the State of Kansas. He said basically it is a couple of booklets that the judge goes by in municipal court. He said we adopt them each year, it is like a manual for the judge. Ginger Stewart made a motion to adopt ordinance 478 and 479. Fred French seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Mayor Ryff said old business, we have none.

Mayor's Discussion: The Mayor said that only thing he really had is that we were having to start chlorinating out at the pump house because our levels of chlorine were low. He said that he thought the city maintenance department did a good job getting things cleaned up for the festival. He added he thought he has been doing a good job all summer keeping the cemetery mowed and trimmed.

Maintenance Report: Mayor Ryff said since John isn't here, he would fill in on the maintenance report. He said that John has been busy, John's a good worker and he gets it done. Sometimes you have to remind him. Things are going good. John's peak season is dwindling down and he will have some extra time to clean up around the house that we bought and things like that.

Clerks Update: Talked to Salina Memorial Art about sitting a headstone up at the cemetery. I let John and Larry know and went to the cemetery on Monday and marked for the headstone, then called them to let them know it was marked. We attended the NCRPC discussion in Salina with Larry. We found out that it was focused more on a regional effort and that the smallest grant amount was ten million dollars with the expectation of 20% matching funds. Danielle and Brie from the Frist National Bank came over to perform an audit of the ACH deposits for their records. Spoke to Tandi Reiff with Smart Insurance about the accident that happened in the mini park and emailed her the pictures that I had taken of the swings in the park. I ordered the pump, parts, PPE and chlorine for the pumphouse to enable us to chlorinate the water to stay within the KDHE guidelines. I ordered new STO and UPOC books from the League of Kansas Municipalities. Once they came in, I typed up the new ordinances for the STO and UPOC. Emailed the information for the special assessments for the end of last year and this year as of the 25th of August. We received an email that because of the positive water test that we were required to complete a level one assessment, I login to KDHE and went to the KEAP site and printed it, then completed it. Talked to Larry about the new 4" meter for the co-op and the readings not seeming to be right. We figured out it was to be reading in tens instead of ones. Called Sequoyah to fix it in the software and asked what was the best way to correct the problem. There was a conversation between the Council and the Mayor about the situation. Mayor Ryff said that he went to the Co-op and spoke with Daryl Anderson about the oversight and Daryl was very understanding about the situation and there were no issues. He said another thing he wanted to talk to the Council about. Down at the big park there is a water hydrant it is inside a square made with railroad ties, he said that there is no water at that hydrant. He explained that it was an oversight while the water project was going on. He said he was planning to have James Andrew with Hope Plumbing, give us a quote to put a new waterline in from the meter at the bathroom over to the hydrant. The Mayor said it would be good to get it done over the winter months so the backfill and everything can be

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dressed down for spring and for May, June and July. The original line was cut dead during the new waterline construction, and we did not realize it for almost a whole year after the project was done. The Mayor said he would like to get that done along with the cement pads for the disc golf to help make our park more entertaining. Fred French made a motion to adjourn, Ginger Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

_____ Larry Ryff, Mayor

Attested

_____ Joni Rikard, City Clerk