

Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing  
September 9, 2024  
6:45 p.m.

REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE HEARING: Council President Mike Tyrell called the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing to order at 6:45 p.m. with Council members present: Scott Corsair, Jeff Werth, Cindy Fuentes, and Bev Hall.. Others present were: City Superintendent Richard Hall and City Clerk Debbie LeDoux.

Council President Tyrell asked if there were any comments, questions, or objections. No response was made. Scott Corsair made the motion to adopt Resolution #170 to exceed the 2025 Revenue Neutral Rate of 74.423 calculated by the Ness County Clerk. Motion was seconded by Jeff Werth. Motion carried unanimously. See attached roll call vote document.

Scott Corsair moved to close the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing 6:53 pm, seconded by Jeff Werth. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Hearing

BUDGET HEARING: Council President Mike Tyrell called the Budget Hearing to order at 6:55 p.m. with Council members present: Scott Corsair, Jeff Werth, Cindy Fuentes, and Bev Hall. Others present were: City Superintendent Richard Hall and City Clerk Dibble LeDoux.

Discussion was held concerning the proposed 2025 Budget. Council President Tyrell asked if there were any comments, questions, or objections. No response was made. Scott Corsair made the motion to adopt the proposed 2025 Budget raising the mil levy from 79.489 to 79.500, seconded by Cindy Fuentes. Motion carried unanimously.

Scott Corsair moved to close the Budget Hearing at 7:00 pm, seconded by Cindy Fuentes. Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Mike Tyrell called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Council members present: Scott Corsair, Jeff Werth, Cindy Fuentes, and Bev Hall. Others present were: City Superintendent Richard Hall and City Clerk Debbie LeDoux.

COMMUNICATIONS: Communications were reviewed and acknowledged.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Cindy Fuentes moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Scott Corsair. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: 1. The ongoing Street Project was discussed. B & H Paving will begin the chip seal work on city streets on Wednesday, September 11, 2024. Notice was posted on the water bills, the City Facebook page, and the City website as well as a couple of flyers being put up in town to inform residents that vehicles needed to be moved from curbside or they would be towed at owner's expense. The concrete plant is to be brought in later this week so that concrete work can continue.

2. Code violations were discussed. There are several properties with concerns that Chris Rorabaugh, Code Enforcement Officer will be made aware of. Several complaints/summons have been turned over to the sheriff's department for service.

3. Council was encouraged to think about any ordinance changes that may be necessary as the City code book is set to be updated.

NEW BUSINESS: 1. Water & Sewer rates were discussed. Rates of other 3<sup>rd</sup> Class cities in Kansas were presented for comparison. Scott Corsair moved and Jeff Werth seconded to raise the water rate per each 1,000 gallons from \$4.40 to \$4.50 and the sewer rate per each 1,000 gallons over 3,000 gallons from \$4.40 to \$4.50. The minimum rates will remain the same. A Resolution for this change will be presented at the October meeting and date for this change to take effect will be set.

2. Scott Corsair made the motion to adopt Resolution #171 to authorize the draw on the City's Draw Down Temporary Note, Series 2024 in the amount of \$100,00.00 when necessary to pay invoices presented for the Street and Storm Water Sewer Improvements Project. Jeff Werth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Scott Corsair made the motion to adopt Resolution #172 to authorize the additional draw on the City's Draw Down Temporary Note, Series 2024 in the amount of \$100,000 when necessary to pay invoices presented for the Street and Storm Water Sewer Improvement Project. Jeff Werth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Jeff Werth moved to approve vouchers as presented, seconded by Cindy Fuentes Motion carried unanimously.

ADJORNMENT: Cindy Fuentes moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Bev Hall. Motion carried unanimously.