

February 5, 2024

The City Council of Scott City met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall.

Pastor Jeff Goetzinger from First United Methodist Church was present to lead the Council and others present in prayer.

Present were Mayor Everett Green, Council members Craig Richards, Jeff Allen, Josh Gooden, Bo Parkinson, Barb Wilkinson, Adam Winter, Armando Tarango, City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham (by Zoom), City Administrator Brad Pendergast, and City Clerk Ruth Becker.

The Council and others recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the January 15, 2024, regular council meeting were presented.

Motion by Barb Wilkinson seconded by Jeff Allen to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2024, regular council meeting. Vote – Unam.

Appropriation Ordinance # 1013A was presented.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Craig Richards to approve Appropriation Ordinance # 1013A. Vote – Unam.

Mayor Green presented the following appointments, commissions, and committee:

### **Appointments**

City Administrator	Brad Pendergast
City Attorney	Jennifer Cunningham
City Clerk	Ruth Becker
City Inspector	Jerek Wasinger
Municipal Judge	Colton Eikenberry
Parks	Terence Appel
Police Chief	Colton Schmitt
Street, Water, Sewer	Terence Appel

### **Commissions**

#### **Airport Commission**

Jeff Allen  
Kelly Funk  
Andy Hineman  
Pat Ryan  
Randal Loder  
Kyle Spencer

#### **Police and City Inspector Commission**

Armando Tarango  
Adam Winter

### **Street and Parks Commission**

Barb Wilkinson  
Craig Richards

### **Water and Sewer Commission**

Bo Parkinson  
Josh Gooden

## **Committee**

### **Transient Guest Tax**

Barb Wilkinson  
Adam Winter  
Craig Richards

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Jeff Allen to confirm the Mayor's appointments, commissions, and committee as presented. Vote – Unam.

Mayor Green stated the need for the Council to elect a Council president.

Motion by Barb Wilkinson seconded by Bo Parkinson for Josh Gooden to serve as Council President. There were no other nominations. Vote – 6, yes – 1 abstain, Josh Gooden.

Mayor Green recommended designating *The Scott County Record* as the City of Scott City's official newspaper.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Jeff Allen to approve the Mayor's recommendation of designating *The Scott County Record* as the official newspaper for the City of Scott City. Vote – Unam.

City Treasurer Renee Cure recommended that First National Bank, Security State Bank, and Western State Bank, all of Scott City, be the depository banks for the City of Scott City. Security State Bank will have the City of Scott City's checking account, and all recommended banks will have savings accounts and be invited to bid on Certificates of Deposit (CDs).

Motion by Bo Parkinson seconded by Jeff Allen to approve the City Treasurer's recommendations for the depository banks for the City of Scott City. Vote – Unam.

Included in the packet was Ordinance No. 1261 an ordinance amending Title Eight, Chapter One, Section Five of the codification of the ordinances of Scott City, Kansas relating to sewer system rates and repealing the existing section. Present in the audience was Sherri Scott, owner of the Bay Station Car Wash. She was present to request that the Council consider an alternate method to figure sewer rates for car washes. City Administrator Brad Pendergast reminded the Council that sewer rates are currently based on water usage average for the months of December, January, and February, which are typically the months during which most users use the least amount of water. Mrs. Scott explained that car washes use more water during the winter months

because they utilize a weep system which keeps water constantly running through the supply hoses and wash nozzles to keep the lines from freezing. After a brief discussion, consensus of the Council was to ask City Administrator Brad Pendergast to add a “Business 3” tier which would assign a different three-month period from which to determine a more appropriate water use average to determine sewer rates for car washes only. Mr. Pendergast agreed to have a revised ordinance for the Council’s approval at the next regular meeting.

Included in the packet was Ordinance No. 1262, an ordinance which shall be known as the “Minimum Standard for Housing and Premises Code.” City Administrator Brad Pendergast noted that City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham had reviewed this ordinance and sees no issues. Mrs. Cunningham indicated that she has seen larger cities, such as Lenexa, use this same ordinance with no problems, so she believes that this ordinance will be effective in Scott City, as well. Council members questioned whether this ordinance could address vacant homes that have been cause for concerns of being unfit or unsafe. Mr. Pendergast explained that this ordinance applies only to structures that are being used as residences. He informed the Council that action will be taken by this ordinance on a complaint based system, which will require a petition filed by at least five individuals to begin an investigation into potential violations. When asked by Mayor Green, Building Inspector Jerek Wasinger commented that enforcement of this ordinance is practical, and that the ordinance provides consistency across structures.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Adam Winter to approve Ordinance No. 1262, referred to as the “Minimum Standard for Housing and Premises Code.” Vote – Unam.

Included in the packet was Ordinance No. 1263, regulating and restricting the height of structures and objects of natural growth and otherwise regulating the use of property in the vicinity of the Scott City Municipal Airport. EBH Engineer Darin Neufeld was present by Zoom to answer questions about the ordinance. Mr. Neufeld reminded the Council that this ordinance allows the City authority over the airspace within just under three miles of Scott City Municipal Airport runways. Mr. Neufeld noted that any structure built exceeding 75 feet in height within the restricted airspace would need to meet permitting requirements, and that any structure exceeding 150 feet in height would require to be lit with blinking red lights and may be required to be painted. City Administrator Brad Pendergast noted that City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham reviewed the document and found it to be appropriate.

Motion by Jeff Allen seconded by Craig Richards to approve Ordinance No. 1263, regulating and restricting the height of structures and objects of natural growth and otherwise regulating the use of property in the vicinity of the Scott City Municipal Airport. Vote – Unam.

Included in the packet was *Contract for Engineering Services for Scott City Municipal Airport, Construct T-Hangars 2024*. EBH Engineer Darin Neufeld indicated that, upon receipt of the FAA’s approval to proceed with the building of a new t-hangar at the airport, he and his team began working to have the t-hangar project out for bid by the end of March. He indicated that the 10% match for the project will be covered using banked AIP funds and banked Bi-Partisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funds.

Motion by Jeff Allen, at the recommendation of the Airport Commission, seconded by Adam Winter approve *Contract for Engineering Services for Scott City Municipal Airport, Construct T-Hangars 2024*. Vote – Unam.

GMS Engineer Jason Meyer attended the meeting by Zoom. Before addressing items that were specifically listed on the agenda, Mr. Meyer updated the Council on the progress being made on the Water System Improvements-2023 project. First, the submittal package that had been sent to KDHE for review received approval, effective February 1. During the review process, however, it was determined that Davis Bacon Wages had changed from the first bid due date of December 4<sup>th</sup> to the revised bid due date of December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. During that time frame, the Davis Bacon Wage adjustment for electrical contractors' base wages and fringe benefits decreased by \$0.21 per hour. It has been determined by KDHE personnel that the City/GMS will need to submit a change order altering that portion of their bid proposal to meet the current David Bacon Wage standards. Mr. Meyer does not expect this change to cause any problems with the process.

The second update provided by Mr. Meyer was regarding the additional request for funding with the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund (KPWSLF) loan. He indicated that discussions relating to this topic began with William Carr, KDHE Assistant Director of the Bureau of Water, in April 2021. Therefore, Mr. Meyer had been confident that approval of the request for an additional \$1.4 million would be approved within a matter of days of the submitted request. However, Mr. Carr indicated that the process for requesting additional funding has changed slightly and that there are more components that need to be completed before the request will be evaluated. It is now estimated that additional funding will be available no earlier than March 2024. Mr. Meyer pointed out that the contract bid documents have a 60-day hold on bids, so the delay will cause the official awarding of bids to come after that 60-day time frame. He indicated that he has placed phone calls to K.R. Swerdfeger (now Miller Pipeline, LLC) and Gerard Tank and Steel to evaluate whether they would be willing to hold their bids. Initial input from Miller Pipeline, LLC is that they would be willing to hold their bid, but Mr. Meyer indicated that he is looking for something in writing before proceeding with the awarding of any bids. Once he has obtained Miller Pipeline's written agreement to hold their bid, he would feel comfortable awarding bids to Gerard Tank and Steel and Hydro Resources for their portions of the project prior to the awarding of additional funds from the KPWSLF loan. Mr. Meyer inquired of City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham whether the City would be comfortable offering Miller Pipeline, LLC a notice of award contingent upon the additional funding becoming available. Mrs. Cunningham indicated that she and other City officials had not been given enough time to make that decision, but on the surface, this seems like a viable option as long as it is made clear that the project will not move forward if the additional funding is not received. GMS Engineer Jason Meyer recommended that the Council offer an official award to Hydro Resources to begin work on the well and, if Miller Pipeline agrees to hold their bid, offer an official award for the tank construction portion of the project to Gerard Tank and Steel. City Administrator Brad Pendergast inquired of Mr. Meyer of his confidence level of the City receiving the additional funding requested from the KDHE/KPWSLF loan. Mr. Meyer indicated that he is confident that the process is merely a formality and that the additional funding will be approved. Discussion at the table revolved around the potential that additional funding could not be granted. The concern was that if two contracts were awarded to complete two schedules of the project and if the additional funding were not awarded, the third schedule of the project could not be completed. Each schedule of the project was designed to work together, so completing two of the schedules would not accomplish the scope of the project as anticipated. For example, drilling a well and building a water tower without the lines to lead to these structures makes the complete project irrelevant. There was also concern expressed that, if the entire project were not completed, that the full amount of funding already awarded by the KPWSLF could be pulled, leaving the City responsible for immediate repayment.

Mr. Meyer indicated that the 60-day window to hold bids ends on February 15, 2024, so GMS could continue to work with contractors to see if they could confirm in writing their agreement to hold their bids beyond February 15. Mayor Everett Green indicated that this is such an important decision that there may be a need to hold a special meeting between this meeting and February 15, 2024, to be able to have in-depth discussion and make an informed decision prior to that date. City Administrator requested that Jason Meyer continue to reach out to each contractor to try to procure an agreement from each in writing to hold their bids to be awarded contingent upon receipt of additional funding. Mr. Meyer assured the Council that he would try to accomplish this to avoid the need for a special meeting. Mayor Green requested that Council members remain on alert for a notice for a special meeting in case it becomes necessary.

Provided in the packet was *Addendum No. 1 to Agreement for Engineering Services dated January 16, 2024 between the City of Scott City (Owner) and Meyer and Sams, Inc. dba GMS, Inc. Consulting Engineers (Engineer), for the Water System Improvements project.* GMS Engineer Jason Meyer indicated that the original agreement specified costs associated with managing the Water System Improvements project, but it has become necessary to amend the original agreement because of extra duties performed during the scope of the project. The primary reason behind the need for these adjustments is that the K-96 portion of the project was not included in the original scope of the services to be provided. Also playing a role in the need for adjustments to the agreement with GMS is the duration of the project lasting much longer than expected due to delays and additional requirements, such as the *Sources of Pollution No Impact Statement*, imposed by KDHE. Six items within the scope of the project were identified:

1. **Resident Project Representative Services** – The original budget for this item was \$180,000. Additional funding needed to complete the project is \$115,000, bringing the total to **\$295,000**.
2. **Funding Administration** - The original budget for this item was \$35,000. Additional funding needed to complete the project is \$22,000, bringing the total to **\$57,000**.
3. **Environmental Letters** - The original budget for this item was \$4,000. Additional funding needed to complete the project is \$4,200, bringing the total to **\$8,200**.
4. **Permit Preparation** – The new budget has increased to **\$20,300**. There was no mention of the original budget.
5. **KDHE Submissions/Coordination** - The original budget for this item was \$7,500. Additional funding needed to complete the project is \$33,000, bringing the total to **\$40,500**.
6. **Geotechnical** - The original budget for this item was \$21,000. Additional funding needed to complete the project is \$10,000, bringing the total to **\$31,000**.

Both Mayor Green and City Administrator Pendergast noted that the additional fees that will be incurred are a result of not only KDHE's moving targets, but also KDOT having missed the deadline that they had set for the beginning of the K-96 project, which required additional materials and engineering services.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Armando Tarango to approve the *Addendum No. 1 to Agreement for Engineering Services dated January 16, 2024 between the City of Scott City (Owner) and Meyer and Sams, Inc. dba GMS, Inc. Consulting Engineers (Engineer), for the Water System Improvements project.* Vote – Unam.

Also included in the packet was *Exhibit E – Request for Disbursement from KDHE Revolving Loan Programs – Payment Request Ten (10)* for Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund (KPWSLF) Project # 2982, in the amount of \$5,982.81.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Barb Wilkinson to authorize the Mayor's signature on *Exhibit E – Request for Disbursement from KDHE Revolving Loan Programs – Payment Request Ten (10)* for Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund (KPWSLF) Project # 2982, in the amount of \$5,982.81. Vote – Unam.

Under open agenda, Council member Barb Wilkinson asked how many times the Minimum Standard for Housing and Premises Code ordinance will need to run in the Scott County Record before becoming valid. It was confirmed that the ordinance will need to run only one time before it becomes valid.

Pool Manager Marci Patton and Assistant Pool Manager Jessica Berry were present to recommend the following individuals as lifeguards for the 2024 pool season:

**Co-Head Lifeguards**

Malorie Cupp \*\*

Hailey Shapland \*\*

**Lifeguards**

Reed Batterton

Ella Frank

Crissa Irvin

Kinleigh Wren

Audrey Schwartz

Tara Rose

Piper Fox \*

Kamryn Meyer\*

Kendall Gentry \*

Peyton Gentry \*

Addison Noll \*

Chayston Berry \*

Ava Deines \*

Madelynn Nichols \*

Mrs. Patton explained that they had 20 applications this year, so the two managers were unable to hire all who had applied. She stated that she and Ms. Berry considered references, work history, and availability when deciding who would ultimately be recommended for hire. Mrs. Patton noted that guards with no asterisk by their names will need no additional certification for the 2024 pool season, guards with one asterisk by their names will need to receive their initial certification, and guards with two asterisks by their names will need to be re-certified. Mrs. Patton and Ms. Berry have already begun to research training opportunities for pool staff.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Jeff Allen to approve the pool management's recommendations for lifeguards for the 2024 pool season and to approve training opportunities at the pool manager's discretion. Vote – Unam.

Provided in the packet was an updated Job Description for the Swimming Pool Manager position and a new Job Description for Assistant Swimming Pool Manager. City Administrator Brad Pendergast explained that, moving forward, the Pool Manager and Assistant Pool Manager

positions will be considered as part-time instead of seasonal positions, and the City’s auditors will want to see job descriptions, and at which grade they are being placed on the City’s pay plan Step & Grade Matrix. He noted that City Clerk Ruth Becker had revised the Swimming Pool Manager job description and, from that revision, created the Assistant Swimming Pool Manager job description. The pool manager position is listed as a Grade E and the assistant pool manager position is listed as a Grade D. Council members had no questions or comments regarding the new/updated job descriptions.

Motion by Barb Wilkinson seconded by Armando Tarango to approve the updated Job Description for the Swimming Pool Manager position and the new Job Description for Assistant Swimming Pool Manager. Vote – Unam.

Building Inspector Jerek Wasinger informed the Council that he had spent the past week in Englewood, CO for training on Residential Electrical Code Certification. He has been working to catch up with new applications and record keeping that he has missed in the past week.

Police Chief Colton Schmitt requested that Mayor Green open any bids that had been submitted for police vehicles. Mayor Green opened the following bids:

<b>J &amp; R Car &amp; Truck Center</b>	2024 Chevrolet 1500 Crew WT	Base Price \$49,725.70	\$2,900.00 Rebate	Final Cost \$46,825.70
	2024 Chevrolet Traverse 2LS	Base Price \$39,673.45	\$2,100.00 Rebate	Final Cost \$37,573.45
<b>Perfect Auto Detailing, LLC</b>	2023 Dodge Ram 1500 Big Horn Option #1	Base Price \$49,900	Allowance (No Trade) \$2,400	Final Cost \$47,500
	2023 Dodge Ram 1500 Big Horn Option #2	Base Price \$49,900	Allowance (Chevy Colorado Trade) \$3,900	Final Cost \$46,000

It was noted that the two vehicles from J & R Car & Truck Center would need to be ordered and built while the vehicle from Perfect Auto Detailing, LLC is available immediately. Mayor Everett Green inquired if the Dodge was new, even though it is a 2023 model. Armando Tarango, answering questions as the owner of Perfect Auto Detailing, LLC, explained that it is a new vehicle with only 17 miles on it. Mayor Green asked for further clarification that this vehicle had never been titled and that Mr. Tarango had procured it from another dealership. Mr. Tarango replied in the affirmative. Discussion continued regarding cost, availability, features, maintenance, and repair options. It was suggested that Police Chief Schmitt review the bids after he finished with his report and return to the Council later in the meeting to recommend the vehicle of his choosing. Police Chief Schmitt agreed.

Provided in the packet was *Agreement for Custodial Services* at the pound between the City and Suzy Patty. Currently, Ms. Patty is being paid \$250.00 per month. Police Chief Schmitt stated that she spends at least an hour a day caring for the pound, which equates to roughly \$8.00 per hour. He stated that Ms. Patty does a great job at the pound not only caring for the animals and cleaning their environment but also working hard to get dogs returned to their owners or adopted by new families as needed. He recommends increasing the monthly stipend to \$450.00, which is approximately \$15.00 per hour. Mayor Green mentioned that public feedback has been overwhelmingly in support of higher compensation for Ms. Patty. It was asked if the Council

would need to approve a new agreement with Suzy Patty for this change in compensation to occur. City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham stated that, with the Council's approval, an addendum could be created, which would not require this topic to come back to the Council again for approval.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Armando Tarango to authorize City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham and/or City Administrator Brad Pendergast to create an addendum to the original *Agreement for Custodial Services* at the pound between the City and Suzy Patty changing the rate of compensation to \$450.00 per month and changing the name of the Chief of Police listed within the original document. Vote – Unam.

Police Chief Schmitt further reported that the School Resource Officer (SRO) Traverse is expected to be equipped within the next week. Also, Detective Jason (Jay) Poore will be attending FBI-LEEDA (Law Enforcement Executive Development Association) training in Colorado the week of February 12, 2024.

Police Chief Schmitt left the meeting to review the vehicle bid documents.

Parks Superintendent Terence Appel provided some year-end updates for each of the parks and the pool:

- **Palmer Park**
  - Installed a 6" water line from Jefferson Street to the pool, which allows for a separate meter to supply the pool with water,
  - Installed hydrants and sprinkler system,
  - Planted trees,
  - Looked at obtaining new playground equipment; will make the Scott Community Foundation aware,
  - Working to finish the tennis & pickleball courts.
  - Added new baby swings.
- **Patton Park**
  - Tilled and planted new grass,
  - Looking into shade in front of the bathrooms,
  - Looking at additional ventilation system for the bathrooms,
  - Added new baby swings.
- **Maddux Park**
  - Continued work on sprinkler system,
  - Added new baby swings.
- **Swimming Pool**
  - Working to prep the pool to ensure safety. Having trouble finding a way to make paint stick to the flooring in the pool house.

Street, Water, and Sewer Superintendent Terence Appel reported that a water line had been hit by the company doing the fiber installation for S&T. They had performed potholing procedures without finding anything, but proceeded anyway, hitting a water line impacting a handful of residents.

Mr. Appel reported that a bulb-out at the southwest corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Main has become a troublesome area. Not only does the bulb-out reduce the number of available parking spaces, but it also holds water, causing drainage issues. Mr. Appel recommended that the Council support the decision to remove the bulb-out in favor of a traditional street corner. Mayor Everett Green noted



that there is a bulb-out on the corner of his business on Main Street and that he understands the frustration they can cause. He mentioned that he was on the Council that made the decision to install them, but he now believes them to be a bad design. City Administrator Brad Pendergast noted that bulb-outs are only good for pedestrian crossings. Brief discussion continued about bulb-outs, specifically the one on the southwest corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Main, regarding cost and labor to remove it and rebuild a traditional street corner. Consensus of the Council was to allow the bulb-out at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Main to be reconstructed and to handle each new issue on a case-by-case basis.

Street, Water, and Sewer Superintendent Terence Appel informed the Council that the 1995 Komatsu Loader had blown an engine while clearing snow during the most recent snowstorm. He estimated that a replacement loader would cost a minimum of \$100,000 while a new engine would cost anywhere from \$25,000 to \$28,000 (\$40,000 installed). Mr. Appel recommended purchasing a new engine with a warranty from Berry Tractor, noting that it would be impracticable to bid due to the brand/model specific engine that would be needed.

Motion by Jeff Allen seconded by Josh Gooden for Street, Water, and Sewer Superintendent Terence Appel to procure a new engine with a warranty for the 1995 Komatsu Loader from Berry Tractor, due to its impracticability to bid. Vote – Unam.

Year-End reports for the Street, Water, and Sewer departments are as follows:

- **Sewer**
  - Replaced four lift station pumps,
  - Need a new line on 8<sup>th</sup> Street between Oak and Birch,
  - All chemicals at the lift station seem to be working well.
- **Water**
  - Sager Pump and Well needs to pull Well #9,
  - Work continues on the Lead & Copper survey.
- **Street**
  - Working with EBH on 9<sup>th</sup> Street improvements with potential grant funding,
  - Working with GMS on Alice Avenue drainage issues,
  - Working to repair many potholes made worse by the winter storm activity.

Also included in the packet was a *Water Level* report provided by Street, Water, & Sewer Superintendent Terence Appel. Overall, water levels are holding steady.

Included in the packet was *City of Scott City Condition Assessment Report* for the pedesphere water tower. City Administrator Brad Pendergast reminded the Council that once the new tower is constructed and operable, the existing pedesphere tank will need to be coated and painted. Overall, the tower is in good condition, but is need of routine maintenance.

City Clerk Ruth Becker reminded the Council that the next regular Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, in observance of Presidents' Day.

Mrs. Becker drew the Council's attention to a valuable training opportunity in Manhattan on April 12-13, 2024. The League of Kansas Municipalities is hosting the *City Leaders Academy: Foundational Program*. This conference was formerly known as the *Governing Body Institute*. The cost to attend is \$175. Mrs. Becker offered to register those who are interested in attending and to book hotel rooms as well.

City Clerk Ruth Becker announced that Scott City has been selected as an official Host City for Biking Across Kansas (BAK) 2024. Cyclists will be in Scott City on June 8 as part of BAK's 50<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary tour. Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Lindsay Singley is taking the lead in welcoming participants to our community by reaching out to community organizations who may wish to participate in the event. Plans are in the process of being made.

Included in the packet was a *Payment Remittance Advice* document from homeserveusa.com indicating that \$649.76 would soon be deposited into the City's MMIA account. HomeServe USA is the parent company of the Service Line Warranties of America plan that the Council approved to be utilized within Scott City early last year. Mrs. Becker informed the Council that the royalties to be received equate to approximately \$0.50 per plan purchased per month. She also informed the Council that HomeServe USA account representative Christopher Rebar has offered to attend a Council meeting to discuss the City's plan and address any concerns that they may have. Council members did not express an interest in having an update from Mr. Rebar.

City Administrator Brad Pendergast reported that he has submitted the first quarterly report for the BASE (Building a Stronger Economy) grant. He is now working on the Opioid Settlement annual report.

City Attorney Jennifer Cunningham has nothing to report.

Mayor Everett Green reported that he had attended the League of Kansas Municipalities' (LKM) Governing Body Meeting in Topeka the week prior. He said that it was well attended by the governing body. One of the topics that was discussed was the *City Leaders Academy: Foundational Program* that was mentioned by City Clerk Ruth Becker earlier in the meeting. He reiterated the value of the meeting, especially for newly elected or appointed officials. The purpose of the conference is to educate city officials about the processes that governing bodies must follow by law. The LKM governing body is working to ensure that individuals who are interested in city governance are made aware of what the position entails even before running for office or being appointed to office, so that their expectations of the job are more realistic. Mayor Green also noted that, even though the majority of LKM member cities have populations of fewer than 5,000 residents, he believes that he is the member of the governing body who represents the city that has the lowest population, so he feels that he has a duty to stand up for the smaller communities and the issues they are facing, such as the struggles facing rural hospitals.

Police Chief Colton Schmitt rejoined the meeting. He recommended that the Council approve the purchase of the Dodge Ram 1500 Big Horn because of the comfort levels of the vehicle, the additional options that are available, and, most importantly, the immediate availability of the vehicle. Brief discussion at the Council table included whether to trade in the 2012 Colorado or to purchase the vehicle with no trade-in allowance.

Motion by Jeff Allen seconded by Josh Gooden to approve the purchase of the Dodge Ram 1500 Big Horn from Perfect Auto Detailing, LLC with no trade-in at a total cost of \$47,500. Vote – 6, yes – 1, abstain – Armando Tarango.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Barb Wilkinson that the City Council recess into executive session to consult with the City Attorney regarding legal advice pursuant to the attorney-client privilege exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), retaining the Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, and City Clerk, with the open meeting resuming in the Council room at 8:13 p.m. Vote – Unam.

The Council came out of executive session.  
Mayor Green called the meeting back to order.  
No action was taken.

Motion by Josh Gooden seconded by Barb Wilkinson that the City Council recess into executive session to discuss personnel issues pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), retaining the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, City Attorney, Chief of Police, and City Clerk, with the open meeting resuming in the Council room at 8:25 p.m. Vote – Unam.

The Council came out of executive session.  
Mayor Green called the meeting back to order.  
No action was taken.

Motion by Adam Winter seconded by Armando Tarango to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Vote – Unam.

Everett M. Green  
Mayor

Ruth Becker  
City Clerk