



CITY OF DOWNS

Regular Council Meeting
September 16, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.
715 Railroad Street
Downs, Kansas 67437

Downs City Council met in regular session on Monday September 16, 2024, 5:30 p.m., at City Hall. Council members present: Heather Hancock, Collin Jones, John Cordill, and John Bisnette. Council not present: Devin Renken. Others present: Bruce Berkley, Harry Colburn, and Miranda Robinson. Mayor Vienna Janis called the meeting to order and led in the flag salute.

Minutes

John C. moved, Heather seconded, to approve regular meeting minutes from September 3, 2024. Motion carried with 3 ayes.

John C. moved, Heather seconded, to approve special meeting minutes from September 10, 2024. Motion carried with 3 ayes.

Staff Reports

Code Enforcement Harry Colburn reported that the city crew mowed a couple lots last week and will have three more to mow this week. The costs will be assessed to the property taxes.

City Attorney Bruce Berkley gave notice of a Board of Zoning Appeals hearing on Thursday for variance for building a fence at 218 Blunt Street.

In the water report, Harry Colburn received a phone call from the water plant early that morning as there were generator issues again. A representative from Clifford Power will be out next week to look at it. It is believed the issue stems from a variance in voltage.

City Clerk Miranda Robinson stated the monthly financials were in her written report. She reports that the new hire started and things are going smoothly. She is working on the grant report for the neighborhood maintenance pilot program and they have three more applicants to be reimbursed.

Bruce Berkley and Collin Jones reported for the fire department as fire safety week is coming up. The fire department will go to Lakeside Elementary on October 10 to give a presentation.

New Business

Council received a donation request from Solomon Valley Transportation donation request. Heather moved, John B. seconded, to donate \$500 to Solomon Valley Transportation. Motion carried with 4 ayes.

Old Business

Council held more discussion on the building at 903 Morgan Ave. There are still lots of items that will need to be stored off site.

The clerk gathered information on engineers for the council to look over concerning the building at 903 Morgan Ave. John C. moved, Heather seconded, to hire Schwab-Eaton engineers to inspect the structure of 903 Morgan Avenue not to exceed \$4,000. Motion carried with 4 ayes.

Vouchers & Payroll

John B. moved, John C. seconded, to approve vouchers and payroll as presented. Motion carried with 4 ayes.

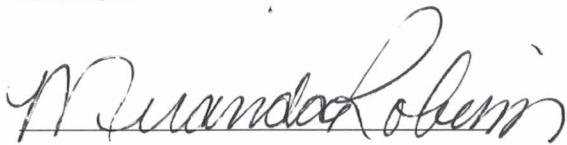
With no further business, Heather moved, John B. seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with 4 ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.



Vienna Janis, Mayor

ATTEST:



Miranda Robinson, City Clerk

