

EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 2, 2001

The El Dorado City Commission met in regular session on July 2, 2001. The following present: Mayor Connie Phillips, Commissioner Oral Taylor, Commissioner Betty Criss, Commissioner Brian Shepherd, Commissioner Brian L. Clites, City Manager Stan Stewart, Assistant City Manager Gus Collins, City Engineer David Wagner, City Clerk Janet L. Arnold, and City Attorney Mike Coash.

VISITORS

Ron Nuessen	Wilson & Company	Wichita, Kansas
Jerry L. May	Wilson & Company	Wichita, Kansas
Rick Stackley	1920 S. 1 st Street	Minneapolis, MN
Mike Floodman	Coventry Health Care	Wichita, Kansas
Dick Pugh	Coventry Health Care	Wichita, Kansas
Steve Love	1020 Delmar	El Dorado, Kansas
Billy R. Jones	401 S. Denver	El Dorado, Kansas
Mike Glendening	801 W. Cave Springs	El Dorado, Kansas
Ernest Zuech	426 Ohio Street	El Dorado, Kansas
R.K. Love	1418 Sunset Rd.	El Dorado, Kansas
Wm. Powers	917 S. Denver	El Dorado, Kansas
Wm. Russell	1244 Shelden	El Dorado, Kansas
Pam Garland	1012 W. Third	El Dorado, Kansas
Jim Fulks	212 N. West	El Dorado, Kansas
Diana Storm	3946 SW Haverhill Rd.	El Dorado, Kansas
Janice Swan	105 W. Kansas	El Dorado, Kansas
Teresa Keck	618 N. Griffith	El Dorado, Kansas
Anita Lord		El Dorado, Kansas
Carlene Swank	316 N. Washington	El Dorado, Kansas
Elaine Carleton	Route #1	El Dorado, Kansas
Viola Crom	1018 W. Third	El Dorado, Kansas
Ruth A. Mellott	415 N. Olive	Leon, Kansas
Rodger Brothers	310 Mullington	Winfield, Kansas
Tom Murry	830 Delmar	El Dorado, Kansas
Steve Smith	El Dorado Times	El Dorado, Kansas
Skip Leon	El Dorado Times	El Dorado, Kansas
Josh Reed	1621 W. Pine	El Dorado, Kansas
Howard Long	1975 Hazlett	El Dorado, Kansas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Clerk Janet L. Arnold led the Governing Body and audience with the pledge of allegiance.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Steve Love

Mr. Steve Love, 1020 Delmar, with Steve Love and Associates along with Mr. Dick Pugh, representative of Coventry, appeared before the Governing Body regarding the annual renewal of medical insurance for the City employees. They expressed concerns regarding the renewal process the City utilizes. They questioned the City’s employee medical insurance committee’s decision to continue with Willis Corroon, when Coventry Insurance Co. offered an approximate \$90,000 annual savings to the City.

City employee Max Brown and representative of the employee medical insurance committee appeared to answer questions regarding the committee's decision. He emphasized that the committee was aware of the cost increase not only to the employees but the taxpayers, but the decision was made primarily to continue with quality insurance along with quality service.

Mr. Love then requested that the Governing Body stress to make the bid process fair. If one vendor is allowed to be present all vendors should be allowed the same opportunity.

Rick Stackley

Mr. Stackley, former resident of El Dorado, appeared to express his concerns regarding the City's refuse and recycling service. In his opinion, it would be more attractive for the City to use trash containers for their curbside service, as opposed to the current trash bag service.

Pam Garland – former Cannon Valley Woodwork employee

Ms. Pam Garland, 1012 W. Third, appeared before the Governing Body to inquire about the lost wages of those employees from Cannon Valley Woodwork. She noted that the employees did not believe it was fair that they had not received their wages but the City had already received their money. Ms. Garland then asked if there was anything the City could do to help them.

Ms. Doretta Thomas, 7019 NE 110th, Cassoday, Kansas stated that she did not believe it was fair the City had received their money but the Cannon Valley employees had not yet received their compensation.

City Manager Stewart explained that the City has received their lease payments. These funds were received from the bank and not Cannon Valley Woodwork. Mr. Stewart told them that City staff would offer their assistance by making a few calls, but could not guarantee any results.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the June 18, 2001 City Commission Minutes.
- B. Approval of the June 21, 2001 Budget Work Session Minutes as amended.
- C. Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 06-01 in the amount of \$1,194,204.74.
- D. Approval of a Temporary Cereal Malt Beverage License for the El Dorado Baseball Inc. and the National Baseball Congress Regional Tournament during the days of July 25 - August 4, waiving the application fee.
- E. Approval of the Engineer's Second Pay Estimate dated June 25, 2001 on Project No. 949 paving Fredrick (Towanda to Webb), Webb (Fredrick to Arthur), Leonard Court, Audrey Dr. (Towanda to Webb), Charron Dr. (Towanda to Webb), Edgemoor (Towanda to Webb), to the Contractor, Central Paving, Inc., in the amount of \$172,347.16.
- F. Approval of the Engineer's First Pay Estimate dated June 25, 2001 on Project No. 905 paving Olive (High to Poplar) and the 100 Block S. Poplar, to the Contractor, Central Paving, Inc., in the amount of \$46,069.82.

Commissioner Clites moved that the consent agenda, as presented, be approved.

Commissioner Criss seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.

FIRST AND MAIN STORM DRAINAGE

City Manager Stewart stated that this issue has been before the City Commission for many months. The City retained Wilson & Company to review the situation.

Mr. Gerry May, Wilson & Company appeared before the Governing Body to provide the results of his company's review of this intersection. He noted that it currently meets the standards that most cities require. This system is capable of providing for 2 to 5 year rains. Mr. May noted that his suggestion is to extend this report to include the whole drainage basin in order to see what impact there is when the two systems are working together. Mr. May also noted that a portion of the prevention is the property owner's responsibility for storm proofing within feasible limits. He stated that raising a couple of the doors might modify some of the property owner's problems.

Mr. Richard Wormser, owner of Silverado Restaurant, located at the corner of First Avenue and Main Street stated that in his opinion the City just hired a firm to tell them what they wanted to hear. In his opinion, Mr. May's suggestion of changing doors and sandbagging is ridiculous. Mr. Wormser stated that it is the City's responsibility to provide streets and sewers. He believes that extending the report is just another way for the City to postpone repairing this situation. He further noted that he is tired of dealing with this and believes it is time for the Commission to step up to the plate and fix the problem.

City Manager Stewart stated that the only way the City should consider making any changes at this intersection would be to have the results of the extended reports. The City can not spend approximately \$ 600,000 without having extensive information regarding the storm drainage in this area. The extensive report would provide the City with that information to use before making the decision to spend approximately \$ 600,000 of the taxpayers money.

Mayor Phillips stated that she sympathizes with him on this particular situation, but until the City has been provided with all the available information, they cannot make a decision to spend that type of money to alleviate this problem.

No other action was taken on this item.

AGREEMENT WITH BUTLER COUNTY REGARDING RECYCLING

City Manager Stewart stated that the El Dorado Recycle Center also serves as the processing facility for County residents. There is a significant use of the recycling center by individuals that live outside the city limits. The county recognizes this increased activity. It makes sense from an overall solid waste plan to take advantage of facilities that are already functioning.

This agreement provides for the County to participate in the processing expenses of the center to the extent of outside usage. A formula allows for a different dollar amount each year to account for the difference in usage patterns. (\$15,000 in 2001)

Commissioner Taylor moved to accept and approve the agreement with Butler County to receive a certain percentage of processing expenses, to be determined each year, for the City of El Dorado’s recycling facility.

Commissioner Criss seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.

RECYCLING BUILDING ADDITION – AGREEMENT WITH BUTLER COUNTY REGARDING RECYCLING

Assistant City Manager Collins stated that the County approved the agreement on July 2, 2001. If the City applies their \$15,000 per year with \$10,000 per year from the refuse fund (already worked into our rate structure), the payments are as follows:

\$45,000	Down payment	2000
25,000	first year	2001
25,000	second year	2002
25,000	third year	2003
30,000	final year	2004

If the state grant is received (\$65,000), then this schedule will be adjusted accordingly.

Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the construction of the addition in the amount of \$150,000 and also approve the adjusted payment schedule for this Recycling Building addition.

Commissioner Criss seconded the motion.

Commissioner Shepherd expressed his concern regarding the City committing \$150,000 to the expansion of the recycling facility. He would prefer to analyze the program for approximately six months and then reconsider the addition to the recycling center.

Mayor Phillips stated that she is confident the recyclables will be there, but the City may still need to consider other options of collection.

The motion carried 4-1, Commissioner Shepherd opposed.

CONSTRUCTION OF A SANITARY SEWER TO SERVE CRISS SEVENTH ADDITION, PHASE 1 OF 2

Mayor Phillips stated that the developer of Criss Seventh has filed a petition to provide for the construction of a sanitary sewer in Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, and 11, in Criss Seventh Addition.

RECEIVING THE PETITION

Commissioner Clites moved that the petition for the construction of a sanitary sewer to serve Lots 1, through 6, 10, and 11, Criss Seventh Addition be received and that the City Clerk be instructed to have this petition checked for sufficiency.

Commissioner Shepherd seconded the motion and it carried 4-0-1, Commissioner Criss abstained.

SUFFICIENCY OF PETITION

City Clerk Janet Arnold reported to the Commission that the petition for the construction of a sanitary sewer to serve Lots 1 through 6, 10, and 11, Criss Seventh Addition, signed by owners of 100 percent of the total area in the improvement district, is sufficient.

Commissioner Shepherd moved that the report of sufficiency be accepted.

Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion and it carried 4-0-1, Commissioner Criss abstained.

RESOLUTION OF ADVISABILITY/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENT COMBINED NO. 2338

Commissioner Taylor moved that Resolution No. 2338, A RESOLUTION OF FINDING AS TO ADVISABILITY AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENT COMBINED, be adopted.

Commissioner Clites seconded the motion and it carried 4-0-1, Commissioner Criss abstained.

PREPARE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATE OF COST

Commissioner Clites moved that the City Manager be instructed to have plans, specifications and estimate of cost prepared for the construction of a sanitary sewer to serve Lots 1 through 6, 10 and 11, Criss Seventh Addition.

Commissioner Shepherd seconded the motion and it carried 4-0-1, Commissioner Criss abstained.

MISCELLANEOUS

WORK SESSION

City Manager Stewart stated that a work session is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2001 at 1:30 p.m.

REFUSE SUPERINTENDENT

City Manager Stewart noted that City Refuse Superintendent, Jim Drake has decided to retire August 1, 2001. A retirement celebration is scheduled for Mr. Drake on Thursday, August 2, 2001 at 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Court/Commission room.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

City Manager Stewart invited everyone to attend the July 4th Celebration scheduled to be held at Forrest Park.

CITY WATER SERVICE TO TOWNSHIP VILLAGE

City Manager Stewart noted that construction is ready to begin which will improve the water pressure for those residents in the Township Village area. Completion is anticipated to be this fall.

PARKING IN THE CENTRAL PARK BALL DIAMONDS

City Manager Stewart stated that City staff is reviewing the parking situation at Central Park and plan to restripe and redirect traffic in order to alleviate some of these problems.

REAP SUMMIT

City Manager Stewart noted that the committee continues to work with regional problems such as airfare, and electric rates.

RECYCLING/REFUSE

City Manager Stewart encouraged those residents with special recycling/refuse needs to call City hall to make those requests.

ADJOURNMENT

Janet L. Arnold, City Clerk

Connie Phillips, Mayor