

**CITY OF COLUMBUS  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
February 02, 2009**

**ATTENDANCE**

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas, met February 02, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall. Mayor Harley McDaniel presided. Council members present: Jerri Burton, Steve Dunlap, Doug Hosier, Marie Nepple, John Paradee, Dewey Smith, Gary Smith, Grant Spieth, Dana Wellmeier. Members absent: Connie Bennett.

Jim Dahmen led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Harley McDaniel called for additions or correction to the minutes of the January 20, 2009 council meeting. Burton moved to accept the minutes of the January 20, 2009 council meeting. Hosier seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 9-0.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #08-200**

Spieth moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance #08-200. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #09-201**

Spieth moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance #09-201. Burton seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**VISITORS**

Cindy Harrold, Coffeyville Community College – I am here to request that the property we are building on be annexed into the city. I have a letter here that describes that property. Councilmember Spieth asked the City Attorney what else she needs besides the legal description. Barbara said she just needs the council's permission to do it. Spieth asked if the Ambulance Barn was in the city and was told yes. So this land sets adjacent to and no space between it. Cindy said there was a little over 5 acres. Spieth said he just doesn't want any island annexation.

**ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY – NEW WELDING SCHOOL**

Spieth moved to allow Community College to annex land, west of the Ambulance Barn, into the city limits in order to be connected to the sewer. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

## **ATTORNEY PROCEED WITH PAPERWORK ON ANNEXATION**

Spieth moved to allow City Attorney proceed with paper work on annexation. Burton seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

### **City Superintendent Jim Burton report:**

1. The last week and a half I have been working trying to identify the owner of the railroad crossing on East Avenue between Buckeye and 160 with Bruce. Even though that is an abandoned line we still have to get a permit to go through there with our sewer project. As of today I finally come to the conclusion that it still belongs to Burlington Northern. I have a number that I will be forwarding to Bruce so he can get the proper permits.
2. Just to clarify, we had an alarm issue on Thursday night and a lot of phone messages back and forth. Federal Protection was in today on another one and I told him about that one. What had happened out there it came in as a fire alarm on a lift station. We have no fire sensors on the lift station. When they went from the analog cell to the digital cell the people that put it in put in the same numbers used for analog. The numbers for analog mean something different than on the digital. So wherever dispatch is that came down as a fire alarm. It was just a cellular power loss. That has been taken care of and they programmed that today.
3. I would like to ask the councils permission to spend \$1,780.28. This is to install a repeater on the north elevator for the Public Works UHF radios. Jason with the Emergency Management has given me 9 hand held radios, chargers, 2 radios for the trucks and 2 repeaters. This is what it is going to cost to get the antenna, coax, a box to put the repeater in and stuff like that to get the system up and running so we will be on UHF the same as the County and City Officers. I think our cell phone contract is up either this year or next so we will need to look to see if we need all those that we do have. We would cut back on the cell phones except for the key personnel. Spieth asked Jim where the antenna was going and Jim told him on the north elevator on the east side. COOP has given us permission to put it up there at no charge. If we put it on a tower we would have to rent or lease it for so much a month. Spieth asked if this was for the city and police department and was told the police department ran off the Sheriff's Department. Chief Sharp told the council that each department works off a different frequency and each one needs its own repeater. That way everyone can communicate with each other. This will not interfere with the police. It will just help everyone to communicate. Also if anything should happen that we couldn't use our radios we could go to Jim's frequency and use our radios until the problem could be fixed or visa versa.

### **PURCHASE REPEATER**

Smith Gary moved to purchase repeater, which is to be placed on the north elevator on the east side, in the amount of \$1,780.28 from Southwest Communications. Burton seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

### **WATER SERVICE AND WAIVE TAPPING FEE TO NEW WELDING SCHOOL**

Smith Gary moved to provide water service to new welding school and waive water tap fee to be under \$2,000. Nepple seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**EXTEND WATER MAIN AND FIRE PLUG TO NEW WELDING SCHOOL**

Smith Gary moved to extend water main and City put in 8” line extension with addition of fire plugs in the amount of \$9,458.75. Nepple seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**ACCEPT BID FOR TOWER MAINTENANCE – WATER TOWER MAINTENANCE**

*M&M Tank Coating - \$80,733.50                      Water Tower Maintenance - \$27,467.00*  
*Cunningham Sand Blasting - \$24,200                      Pittsburg Tank & Tower - \$41,560*  
*Central Tank Coatings Inc. - \$44,500*

Smith Gary moved to accept bid for sandblasting and painting the interior of water tower in City Park from Water Tower Maintenance in the amount of \$27,467. Burton seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**ORDINANCE NOT ALLOWING CUSTOMERS TO OPT OUT OF TRASH SERVICE**

Burton moved to have City Attorney draft ordinance on not allowing customers to opt out of trash charges with in city limits who are receiving water service. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER – KALE KITTERMAN**

Burton moved to accept the Mayor’s appointment of Kale Kitterman as Volunteer Firefighter. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER – DILLON ROBERTS**

Smith Dewey moved to accept the Mayor’s appointment of Dillon Roberts as Volunteer Firefighter. Dunlap seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER – DAVID ALLEN**

Burton moved to accept the Mayor’s appointment of David Allen as Volunteer Firefighter. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER – DAVID SWATHWOOD**

Burton moved to accept the Mayor’s appointment of David Swathwood as Volunteer Firefighter. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

**Meetings:**

**Water & Sewer**

Wednesday February 04, 2009 @ 6:00 pm

**Cemetery**

Wednesday February 04, 2009 @ 6:30 pm

**Police & License**

Tuesday February 10, 2009 @ 7:00 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

Burton moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Hosier, Nepple, Paradee, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary, Spieth, Wellmeier. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

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*Janice Blancett, City Clerk*