

City of Seneca

Council Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2024

Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 12, 2024, at City Hall by Mayor Pro Tem Brad Storrs. Members present: Ryan Schauer, Jamie Lankford, Denny Sikes, Dustin Housley and Derinda Malone.

DEPARTMENTS:

Police Department:

Police Chief Altic reported he has 3 vehicles he needs declared surplus. He added they are no longer in service and need to be salvaged or given away for parts.

Police Chief Altic stated the new police vehicle is coming along and getting the new graphics.

Police Chief Altic said the free car from Miami is getting worked on by Officer Housley. He stated the seats have been replaced and will be in service as a spare vehicle.

Police Chief Altic reported alcohol and drug related charges and assaults are up.

Police Chief Altic said there may be grant funding to assist with state radio systems for improved communication. He added the service is through the state and Emergency Management.

Police Chief Altic reported continuing education for the officers starts in March.

Police Chief Altic said the organizing of the evidence in the Evidence Room is going well.

Police Chief Altic said taser training is coming up in Joplin.

Police Chief Altic reported the 2023 Police Department Statistics Report will be ready at the next Council Meeting. He added resisting arrest numbers are up and it is a trend across the country as well.

Police Chief Altic stated a desk has been donated from a doctor's office for PD.

Police Chief Altic said the police officers have been busy and everything is moving right along.

Police Chief Altic reported nothing has changed with FEMA/SEMA according to information from Emergency Management.

Public Works:

Public Works Supervisor Jerrod Eidson was not present.

Mayor Pro Tem B. Storrs reported Public Works is running a new water line at the treatment plant after trying to repair a water leak.

Mayor Pro Tem B. Storrs reported the northeast side of the fire station will have culvert work beginning.

Fire Department:

Fire Chief Crow reported there were 27 calls in January.

Fire Chief Crow said they picked up the skid unit and it is in service now.

Fire Chief Crow reported the concrete floor repair work is complete.

Fire Chief Crow said the firemen are having training tonight.

VISITORS:

Jim Aslin from Schulte Supply was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the Minutes from January 8, 2024, and January 29, 2024, by R. Schauer, seconded by D. Housley. All members voted yea; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion was made to approve the Bills Paid in the amount of \$127,757.43 by D. Housley; seconded by R. Schauer. All members voted yea; motion carried.

WATER COLLECTION ADJUSTMENTS:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Pro Tem B. Storrs stated funding for Critical Home Repair Program is available to qualified applicants. Applications are available to low income and disabled residents in Seneca and Newton County.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Pro Tem B. Storrs said the Water Line Lead Pipe Inventory Project has had some changes. Financial assistance is available for the City of Seneca to move forward with a grant and loan to assist with a portion of the cost for a contractor to do the inventory.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sealed Bid Opening: Digital Water Meter Installation Project:

Bid opening is as follows:

Schulte Supply - \$318,007.60

Core and Main - \$440,390.00

A motion was made to award the Digital Water Meter Installation Project to Schulte Supply in the amount of \$318,007.60 by D. Sikes; seconded by D. Malone. All members voted yea; motion carried.

Surplus Vehicles for the Police Department:

Police Chief Altic reviewed there are a few patrol vehicles that are not in service and have been used for parts that need to be declared surplus and removed from the insurance.

A motion was made to allow the Seneca Police Department to surplus the vehicles that are no longer in service that have been used for replacement parts by D. Housley; seconded by J. Lankford. All members voted yea; motion carried.

Resolution 01-2024: Authorize New Account for Police Evidence Security Account:

A motion was made to approve Resolution 01-2024: Authorize New Account Police Evidence Security Account to allow Evidence Officer Steve Bock to deposit cash from the Evidence Room into a secure non-interest account by R. Schauer; seconded by D. Housley. All members voted yea; motion carried.

Resolution 02-2024: Authorized Representative to Execute and File an Application to allow City Clerk, Cyndy Hutchings to apply and process the application for the DNR grant and loan for the Water Line Lead Pipe Inventory Project by D. Housley; seconded by R. Schauer. All members voted yea; motion carried.

Schedule Community Service Project Dates:

A motion was made to schedule the first Community Service Day, Saturday, May 4, 2024, beginning at 7:00/7:30 a.m. by D. Housley; seconded by R. Schauer. All members voted yea; motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn by D. Malone; seconded by D. Housley at 7:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

CYNDY HUTCHINGS
City Clerk

BRAD STORRS
Mayor Pro Tem

