

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bruce Armstrong at 7:00 p.m. in the Haysville Municipal Building, 200 West Grand Avenue.

Roll was taken by Recording Secretary Ginger Cullen: Kessler here, Walters here, Rardin here, Ewert here, Benner here, Parton here, Crum here, Thompson here.

Invocation was given by Councilperson Dan Benner.

Mayor Bruce Armstrong led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under Special Order of Business, Mayor Bruce Armstrong gave the floor to Sedgwick County Commissioner Michael O'Donnell II, who discussed the procedure municipalities should follow to request reimbursement of funds relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Commissioner O'Donnell went on to advise the city could include COVID-19 related expenses incurred between March 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> of 2020.

Under Special Order of Business, Mayor Bruce Armstrong presented a Police Week Proclamation. After reading portions of the document, Mayor Armstrong requested a motion to approve the Proclamation.

Motion by Parton – Second by Ewert

I make a motion we declare this week Police Week.

Kessler yea, Walters yea, Rardin yea, Ewert yea, Benner yea, Parton yea, Crum yea, Thompson yea.

Motion declared carried.

Under Presentation and Approval of Minutes, Mayor Bruce Armstrong presented for approval the Minutes of April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Motion by Kessler – Second by Rardin

Mayor, I make a motion we approve the minutes of April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Kessler yea, Walters yea, Rardin yea, Ewert yea, Benner yea, Parton yea, Crum yea, Thompson abstain.

Motion declared carried.

Under Notices and Communications, Mayor Bruce Armstrong called for Governing Body Announcements. Councilperson Steve Crum discussed the meal program from USD 261, advising of locations, times, and availability. He discussed the procedure the school district is using for students to return textbooks and pickup supplies. Mayor Armstrong advised photos of the senior class would be shown at the digital sign on the corner of Main and Grand over the weekend of May 15<sup>th</sup>. Crum then shared information regarding plans to hold an event to recognize seniors in May at the Starlite Drive-in. Crum advised Haysville Healthy Habits 060 Walks competition had ended, with participants walking more than 21,000 miles during the event. Mayor Armstrong stated the Senior Center, will distribute commodities on May 20<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 1:00 p.m. and continuing until they run out of food. He advised that anyone new to the commodities process should call the

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Center at 529-5903 for additional instructions. Mayor Armstrong also advised the building was closed, but staff was available to receive phone calls.

Under Notices and Communications, Mayor Bruce Armstrong presented a Memo to Council Regarding a New Business, A Letter from ICI Regarding a Dividend Check, and an Email from Cox Communications Regarding COVID-19.

Mayor Armstrong asked for Department Reports.

Chief Administrative Officer Will Black had nothing to report.

City Clerk Janie Cox advised City Hall would be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, which would cause the next Council meeting to occur on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> instead. She went on to advise that water service shut-offs have not occurred since Governor Kelly declared a state of emergency, but barring any changes, terminations for non-payment will begin again on June 10<sup>th</sup>. She advised notices are being sent to those with delinquent accounts, and payment extensions may be available by contacting City Hall. Councilperson Steve Crum voiced his concern that people may still be unable to pay at that time, and Cox advised that payment plans may be available in some circumstances. Mayor Armstrong advised there were 452 delinquent accounts, which is almost 10% of the City's water utility accounts. He advised those delinquent accounts represent \$63,804.00 in revenue that the City is without, and he encouraged residents to contact City Hall to make arrangements to reconcile their accounts.

Police Chief Jeff Whitfield advised municipal court resumed on May 5<sup>th</sup>, but with social distancing measures in place. Chief Whitfield stated the only persons allowed to attend court would be defendants and witnesses, with family members and observers being asked not to attend.

Public Works Director Tony Martinez advised the recycling center at Public Works has been open since the week prior. He reminded residents that items accepted at the recycling center include brush, metal, concrete and compost. He went on to advise that residents needing to utilize this service should call the Public Works office upon arrival, to provide the information required in order to make a drop off. Contractors may only drop off materials that are the result of work done in Haysville, and moving forward residents must call Public Works on behalf of their contractor to arrange the drop off.

Recreation Director Rob Arneson advised the Activity Center is scheduled to open in Phase II of the Governor's Ad Astra Plan, which is currently planned to be May 18<sup>th</sup>. He advised pool sales would begin at that time.

Under Off Agenda Citizens to be Heard, Mayor Bruce Armstrong gave the floor to Chief Administrative Officer Will Black, who advised that no emails had been sent to the public comment email address.

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Under Bills to be Paid, Mayor Bruce Armstrong presented the Bills to be Paid for the First Half of May.

Motion by Ewert – Second by Parton

I'd like to make a motion that we go ahead and pay the first half of May bills.

Kessler yea, Walters yea, Rardin yea, Ewert yea, Benner yea, Parton yea, Crum yea, Thompson yea.

Motion declared carried.

Under Council Items, Mayor Bruce Armstrong asked for Council Concerns. Councilperson Russ Kessler shared information regarding a Sedgwick County Emergency Assistance Program that could help people affected by COVID-19 with rent and utilities. Mayor Armstrong confirmed that information about the program was available on the City's Facebook page. Councilperson Steve Crum thanked staff and department heads for their efforts to keep things running smoothly during the pandemic.

Under Council Items, Mayor Bruce Armstrong advised a Council Action Request for potholes on Wire and Ranger was ongoing. Public Works Director Tony Martinez advised the contractor is expected to be done by the end of May.

Mayor Bruce Armstrong presented for approval Adjournment.

Motion by Kessler – Second by Ewert

Mayor and Council, I make a motion that we adjourn tonight's meeting.

Kessler yea, Walters yea, Rardin yea, Ewert yea, Benner yea, Parton yea, Crum yea, Thompson yea.

Motion declared carried.

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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Janie Cox, City Clerk