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February 06, 2024

**Regular Meeting:**

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, February 06, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue, Wamego, Kansas. Those present were Commissioners: Clifford Baughman, Dwight Faulkner, William Ditto, Michele Jacobs and Mayor Richard Weixelman.

The City Manager, Stacie Eichem, City Clerk, Shanda Jahnke and City Treasurer, Leslie Dugan were also present.

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held January 16, 2024. After careful reading and discussion thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Faulkner to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk then submitted to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval Appropriation Ordinance No. 1686. After a careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1686. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Public Comments and Communications:**

The next regular work session will be February 20, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

**Project Updates and Change Orders:**

The City Manager advised that 8<sup>th</sup> Street was closed on Monday for the water tie-in, this was postponed due to a sewer main collapse that has been repaired. The library project, the MRI project and Scenic Ridge are all in progress.

A quote was received from Sargent Drilling in the amount of \$13,300 for the inspection and maintenance of well #11. This is a routine maintenance item that is budgeted for. Commissioner Baughman moved to approve the quote in the amount of \$13,300. Commissioner Ditto seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The City Manager advised that she had been contacted by Midwest Concrete Materials to purchase crushed concrete at a lower cost due to excess concrete that they had been hired to crush but doesn't want to store. It was the City Manager's recommendation to purchase the concrete not to exceed \$30,000 for miscellaneous items throughout the city. Commissioner Faulkner moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve purchasing the crushed concrete not to exceed \$30,000. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Stacie reported that Deputy Chief of Police, Jason Powell and Public Works Director, Casey Frisbie graduated from the Flint Hills Leadership Program. The police department currently has two officers at the full-time academy. The fire department held their annual banquet last weekend, and she hopes to have the new fire truck this year, the emblem will match the other fire units. The recreation department is getting ready for soccer, the aquatic center is going to start hiring lifeguards for the summer.

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The parks department applied to be a Tree City USA city. The street crew, power plant and electric departments have all been working on projects as well as dealing with the winter weather issues and snow removal.

KMEA will be attending a work session in March.

City sales tax was down 13% and the County sales tax was up 2.4% from this time last year.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned.

s/s Richard Weixelman, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk