

**Greensburg City Council
April 7, 2014
City Hall**

Item 1: Opening Session

Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; Invocation; Roll Call

Mayor Robert Dixon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on April 7, 2014. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Pastor Terry Mayhew gave the invocation. Council present: Matt Christenson, Mark Trummel, Sandra Jungemann, Haley Kern, and Erica Goodman.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Goodman made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Christenson seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mayor's Report

There was no report from the Mayor.

Council Member's Report

There was no report from Council.

City Administrator Comments

City Administrator Ed Truelove briefed Council on the following topics:

- Truelove provided Council a copy of a Greensburg article found in the March 22, 2014 Kansas City Star.
- Administration continues to have dialogue with GreenTown regarding the Meadowlark property. GreenTown is aware of the challenges with their building and are working on solutions that will allow them to be in compliance with City Code.
- Truelove accepted the resignation of Larry Foulk as Code Enforcement Officer. Truelove wished Mr. Foulk well as he returns to full-time farming.

Item 2: Public Comment

Dixon welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting to public comment. There were no comments from the public.

Item 3: Consent Agenda

Kern made a motion, seconded by Jungemann, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Item 4: Items of Business

A. Update on the status of a structure located at 504 S. Cherry. On January 6, 2014, Resolution 2014-03 was approved, finding the structure to be dangerous, unsafe and unfit for human use or habitation.

Truelove reminded Council that Resolution 2014-03 called for property located at 504 S. Cherry to be brought into code compliance by April 7, 2014. Truelove has spoken to owner Dave Hardinger, who states he has a potential buyer for the property. Hardinger hopes to have a determination in a week.

Trummel asked if the abatement process needed to start over. Truelove stated that it did not, but asked Council to allow staff time to work with the owner. If there is no progress within a reasonable amount of time, the City can proceed with abatement. Kern asked if ownership were to change, would there

need to be a new abatement process. Truelove stated that a new process and time frame would need to be considered. Staff would like to give a new owner time to show progress toward remediation.

Truelove requested Council allow Hardinger 30 days to abate or sell the property. At the end of 30 days, if no progress has been made, the City would begin the demo process. Jungemann made a motion to give Hardinger an additional 30 days. Kern seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

B. Update on the status of a structure located at 611 W. Iowa Lane. Public hearing conducted on October 21, 2013 to show cause why such structure should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as unsafe or dangerous structure. Tabled by Council October 21, and November 4, 2013.

Truelove advised that Staff has received no response from the owner regarding their plans for bringing the open basement at 611 W. Iowa Lane into code compliance. The owner was invited, through a letter, to be present at the meeting this evening. There was no one present to represent the owners. Truelove reviewed the owners previously discussed plans to build a house on the basement. The resolution to declare the basement a dangerous and unfit structure and establish a time frame for remediation was previously tabled. Truelove requested Council direct staff to have the resolution ready for the next Council Meeting. It was the consensus of the Council that Staff prepare a resolution for the next meeting.

C. Consider a partnership with the School District and Rec. Commission to provide bus transportation for summer swimming.

Truelove has conversed with Darin Headrick, USD 422, and Cinda Morehead, Greensburg Rec Commission, regarding the possibility of busing local students to a neighboring town this summer to swim. USD 422 is very supportive of the endeavor. The Rec. Commission would organize transportation through the school and possibly provide a paid Rec member to supervise the bus rides. Headrick estimated the cost per day to bus students to Pratt(driver and fuel) at \$135. The bus would pick up students in Mullinville, Greensburg, and Haviland. Should the Rec. decide to bus 4 days per week, Truelove estimates a cost of around \$5,000 for the summer. This amount falls below the budgeted amount to operate the Greensburg pool this summer.

Christenson expressed his approval of busing, so long as expenses stayed within the amount budgeted for the pool this year. Final action on the matter was tabled until the Rec. Commission is able to determine the number of trips that will be made. Truelove will bring additional information to the next meeting.

D. Consider the appointment of a Voting Delegate and an Alternate Delegate for the KMU Annual Business Meeting.

Unsure if Staff would attend the Annual KMU Business Meeting, Truelove requested Council appoint a Voting Delegate and an Alternate Delegate, just in case someone is able to attend. Jungemann made a motion to appoint Truelove and Mick Kendall, Utility Superintendent, to the positions. Kern seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

E. Consider approval of minutes from the March 11, 2014 Special Meeting.

Truelove requested approval of the March 11, 2014 Special Meeting minutes as presented in the meeting packet, but also requested executive session for attorney-client prior to a Council determination. City Attorney Gordon Stull concurred and requested 15 minutes. Christenson made a

motion to go into executive session until 6:36 p.m. for attorney client. Trummel seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Council returned to open session at 6:36 p.m. Truelove requested the minutes be approved as presented. Christenson made a motion to approve the March 11, 2014 minutes as presented. Kern seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Truelove then requested Council approve the Administrator to send a letter to the County Attorney to self-report a possible technical violation to the Kansas Open Meetings Act. Christenson made the motion with a second from Trummel. Motion passed 5-0.

Item 5: City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Gordon Stull had nothing to report.

Item 6: Executive Session

Truelove requested a 15 minute executive session for non-elected personnel. Christenson made a motion, seconded by Trummel, to go into executive session until 6:55 p.m. for non-elected personnel. Motion passed 5-0.

Council returned to open session at 6:55 p.m.

Item 7: Adjournment

Dixson reminded those in attendance of the K-4 school music program this evening at 7:00 p.m. Dixson adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Robert A. Dixon, Mayor

Christy Pyatt, City Clerk