

The Wathena City Council met in session Monday, March 4, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Wathena City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Cluck. Council member John Hontz offered prayer. Mayor John Cluck and Council members John Hontz, Aaron Cluck, Cory Shue and Bob Halter answered roll call. Council member Jarod Jackson was absent. Also present were City Clerk Tammy Bembrick, Police Chief Dennis Thompson, Superintendent Tim Smith, City Attorney Alan Boeh, Melanie Davis, Kay Smith, Jo Keller, Jeff Bachman, Ron Bachman and Craig Grable.

Motion was made by Bob Halter, second by Aaron Cluck to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2024, council meeting. Vote – 3 Ayes(Cluck,Halter,Hontz) 1-Abstain(Shue). Motion carried.

The Council reviewed and discussed the bills as presented by the City Clerk.

Motion was made by Cory Shue, second by John Hontz to approve the bills as listed. Vote – unanimous. Motion carried.

There were three (3) building permits submitted for approval. John & Heather Cluck for gate pillars to the entrance of 910 Court, Cluck Properties for a one-story extension to the building located at 313 St. Joseph Street and MCon, LLC for additions to both the existing office building and maintenance building located at 1004 Vernon Road.

Motion was made by Aaron Cluck, second by Bob Halter to approve to approve all three building permits as submitted. Vote – unanimous. Motion carried.

Ron and Jeff Bachman with St. Joe Petroleum, approached Council regarding the utilities to be established on the new convenient store and gas station being constructed. The discussion included moving the existing water main line to a new location as well as changing the electric service to the property. Discussion followed. Superintendent was asked to get estimates for electric work for the next meeting.

Motion was made by John Hontz, second by Cory Shue to allow Superintendent Smith to provide materials and have MCon, LLC perform the work to move the water line in an amount not to exceed \$13,000.00. Vote – unanimous. Motion carried.

Kay Smith attended the meeting to ask Council to look at the alley behind her house. She stated that her garage gets water in it that runs off the alley every time it rains making it difficult to use for storage or other purposes. Superintendent Smith and Council will look into the alley to see what changes are possible to make.

Craig Grable approached Council with several items. He thanked Council for the work that is being done in his area, and for the tube replacement project at 4<sup>th</sup> and Chase. He then brought up the issue of water loss for the City. He stated that the current loss percentage is unacceptable, and asked Council to look into a previous study that was performed by Brian Kingsley concerning the City's water system. Grable also asked for clarification on the changes that Council was proposing on the 1% Sales Tax. Council informed him that they were only wanting to broaden the use of the revenue. Discussion followed.

Police Chief Dennis Thompson discussed the following with Council: Residency of officers and hiring an additional full-time officer, status on nuisance properties at Wathena Park Homes and citations issued, fire damaged home at 6<sup>th</sup> and Court to be cleaned up, appearance of the property located at 2210-2212 Highway 36 and the wreck that occurred at The Washena Car Wash and 36 Highway over the weekend. Discussion followed.

City Superintendent Tim Smith presented the Council with his activity report and discussed the following: Activity report, Chase Street tube replacement completion until resurfaced, Highway 36 lighting change, status of JCB repairs and 2024 street resurfacing. Discussion followed.

Council discussed the following with the City Attorney: Council directed the attorney to

have a title search done on the property located at south side of E. St. Joseph Street and 36 Highway. Discussion followed.

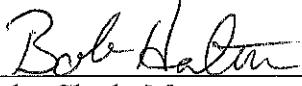
Council discussed the following items with the City Clerk: CDBG sidewalk grant getting environmental review clearance and moving forward with funding and easements, Dollar General sales tax reported and MoKan funding available for small business development. Discussion followed.

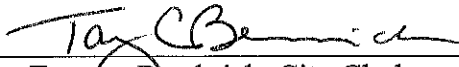
The Council discussed the following items: work with the State to submit for a new TEAP transportation study to be done on the intersection of 36 Highway and St. Joseph Street, establishing a spring clean-up date, Patt Lilly updates, annexation by John & Heather Cluck (discussion tabled), continued discussion on water loss and certificates of deposit. Discussion followed.

Mayor John Cluck made a formal proclamation to the Riverside High School girls basketball team congratulating them on winning the Girls 2A Sub-State Championship this year, and wished them luck at the state tournament.

There being no further business, motion was made by John Hontz, second by Aaron Cluck to adjourn the meeting. Vote – unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:39p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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John Cluck, Mayor

  
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Tammy Bembrick, City Clerk

VENDOR NAME	REFERENCE	AMOUNT	VENDOR TOTAL	CHECK#	CHECK DATE
ALTEC INDUSTRIES INC.	REPAIRS TO BOOM TRUCK		654.31	51385	3/04/24
APPROVED PAVING LLC	CORRECTIVE RESURFACING INVOICE		2,750.00	51386	3/04/24
CINTAS CORP LOC. 177	RENTAL MATS & MOPS		708.68	51387	3/04/24
CITY OF ELWOOD KANSAS	PURCHASE OF WATER		17,033.96	51388	3/04/24
DARLA'S FLOWERS & GIFTS	T SMITH FUNERAL PLANT		48.00	51389	3/04/24
CONNER DOYLE	SECURITY DEPOSIT REFUND		48.45	51390	3/04/24
RHONDA ELDER	REFUND SECURITY DEPOSIT		175.00	51391	3/04/24
EVERGY	CITY FACILITIES		527.93	51392	3/04/24
TAMMY ANS BRANDON FUNK	REFUND SECURITY DEPOSIT		172.12	51393	3/04/24
KANSAS ONE CALL SYSTEM INC	FEBRUARY LOCATES		26.40	51394	3/04/24
KOEHLER LLC	TIRES 2007 GMC		1,488.75	51395	3/04/24
KS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	SALES TAX ADJUSTMENT		42.21	51396	3/04/24
LOWES COMMERCIAL SERVICES	MISC SUPPLIES		42.83	51397	3/04/24
LOYAL AMERICAN INSURANCE CO.	CANCER INSURANCE		89.20	51398	3/04/24
MERIDIAN ANALYTICAL LABS LLC	LAGOON TESTING		598.00	51399	3/04/24
MENARDS - ST JOSEPH	AMERICAN FLAGS		253.28	51400	3/04/24
JAMIE MOLLOY	CLEANING COMM BUILDING		150.00	51401	3/04/24
NORRIS QUARRIES LLC	BASE ROCK		582.60	51402	3/04/24
NORTHERN SAFETY CO INC	COAT FOR JOHN GAITHER		149.00	51403	3/04/24
OTIS ELEVATOR	MONTHLY ELEVATOR MTCE FEE		376.71	51404	3/04/24
PATT LILLY & ASSOCIATES, LLC	MONTHLY CONSULTING FEE		700.00	51405	3/04/24
PETTY CASH	REGULAR & POSTCARD STAMPS		219.90	51406	3/04/24
POSTMASTER	STAMPS & UB MAILING		310.00	51407	3/04/24
ROYAL PUBLISHING INC	AD FOR SUB STATE PROGRAMS		65.00	51408	3/04/24
TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY	MISC SUPPLIES		24.97	51409	3/04/24
Accounts Payable Total			27,237.30		

## TRANSACTION REGISTER

MOD CODE	BANK NO	NAME	DATE	PERIOD	VEND/EMPL	OTHER NUMBER	DEPOSITS	CHECKS AND WITHDRAWALS	VOIDED	CLEARED
1 FARMERS STATE BANK										
BK ETR	9900	2/22/24	02/24	BCBS INSURANCE PAYMENT				10,825.25		
BK ETR	9901	2/22/24	02/24	ADVANCE INSURANCE PAYMENT				220.13		
BK ETR	9902	2/22/24	02/24	SMITH VISA PAYMENT				180.00		
BK ETR	9903	2/22/24	02/24	THOMPSON VISA PAYMENT				84.74		
BK ETR	9914	2/29/24	02/24	KPERS ACH PAYMENT				2,232.01		
ETR	9915	2/29/24	02/24	KPERS OGLI ACH PAYMENT				154.48		
ETR	7059038	2/28/24	02/24	FEDERAL WITHHOLDING PAYRO				3,649.66		
ETR	7059039	2/28/24	02/24	STATE OF KANSAS WITHHOLDI				624.32		
BANK TOTAL							.00	17,970.59	.00	.00
ELEC TRANS							17,970.59			

FUND

TOTAL

OUTSTANDING

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51382	2/28/2024	1090	JOHN D GAITHER	1086.01			
51383	2/28/2024	1065	COREY A SMITH	432.20			
51384	2/28/2024	1015	TIMOTHY D SMITH	1469.51			

4413.18

			ACH TRANSACTIONS				
407	2/28/2024	1081	TAMMY C BEMBRICK	1195.56			
408	2/28/2024	1081	TAMMY C BEMBRICK	512.38			
409	2/28/2024	1088	JASON L PENDLETON	719.34			
410	2/28/2024	1040	ERIC A SCHUMAN	1204.67			
411	2/28/2024	1013	MARK W SIMPSON	1174.05			
412	2/28/2024	1055	DENNIS L THOMPSON	1789.96			

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ELECTRONIC VENDOR PAYMENTS

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7059039	2/28/2024	1164	STATE OF KANSAS WITHHOLDING PR	624.32			

ELECTRONIC PAYMENT TOTAL 4273.98

REPORT TOTAL 4273.98