

# **City of Houston Lake**

## **Official Minutes of the Council Meeting**

### **October 12, 2015**

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on October 12, 2015 at City Hall. The following members were present: Aldermen Phil Otte, Rick Cowan, Dan Coronado and Jean Anderson-excused.

#### **Opening Session**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tem Phil Otte presided. Mayor Pro-Tem gave the floor to City Clerk Marsha Duncan. The City Clerk read the following:

On September 14, 2015 in a closed session of the City Council, Alderman Anderson made a motion to appoint Melinda Cook as new City Clerk, seconded by Alderman Otte

Roll call:

Coronado – Aye

Otte – Aye

Anderson – Aye

Cowan – Aye

At this same closed meeting Mayor Hallauer announced that he would be resigning as of October 11.

In a special closed meeting of the City Council on October 5, 2015, Alderman Cowan made a motion to appoint Joe Chepren as City Administrator, seconded by Alderman Otte

Roll call:

Coronndao – Aye

Otte – Aye

Anderson – Excused

Cowan – Aye

In the same closed meeting Alderman Otte made a motion to appoint Joyce Kullman as Mayor to finish out Mayor Hallauer's term, seconded by Alderman Coronado.

Roll call:

Coronado – Aye

Otte – Aye

Anderson – Excused

Cowan - Aye

Marsha Duncan presented the Oath of Office to Joyce Kullman, Joe Chepren, and Melinda Cook.

Mayor Joyce Kullman thanked Marsha Duncan for her 13 years of service, also acknowledged Mike Hallauer for his 12 years of dedicated service as Mayor of Houston Lake. There will be a discussion on how we should honor him in the future.

#### **Public Discussion**

Homes Association President Larry Haines brought to our attention that the new planks on the bridge had issues with loose nails, and nails pulling up.

#### **Minutes September 14, 2015**

The September 14, 2015 minutes were approved by general consent.

#### **Building Permit**

None

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was approved by the Council.

The Treasurer's report shows a grand total balance of \$313,315,18.

### **Resolution 10-12-15 (paybills)**

The City Council approved Resolution 10-12-15 unanimously.

### **New Business**

a. City Administrator Joe Chepren presented to the council three snow removal quotes. After discussion a motion was made by Alderman Cowen to accept quote #1 from Embassy for our snow removal, seconded by Alderman Otte.

Roll call:

Coronado – Aye

Otte – Aye

Anderson – excused

Cowan – Aye

Motion passed

b. City Administrator Joe Chepren visited the Riverside Fire Department, and was informed that the City of Houston Lake was invited to participate in their Smoke Detector Awareness Program.

### **Code Enforcement/Sheriff's Report**

The Platte County Sheriff's Department submitted a police report for the month of September.

No Codes report

### **Emergency Management**

Emergency Management Director Dan Coronado told the Council that he was invited to participate in the Kansas City Metro Area Disaster Response exercise. He will be attending the Riverside Railroad Accident Response exercise, and the FEMA Disaster Assessment class.

### **Reports from Aldermen**

**Alderman Cowan** – Alderman Cowen thanked the new members, and mentioned that we need to address the fact that we do not have a Codes Officer.

**Alderman Otte** – Alderman Otte thanked the new members.

**Alderman Coronado** - No report

**Alderman Anderson** – Excused

### **Mayors Report**

No report

### **Closed Session**

None

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.