

TOWN OF WELLSTON
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 10th, 2022

6:00PM

- 1. INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE**
- 2. ROLL CALL: PAUL WHITNAH, BRANDON HUNT, CARRIE MORLEY, PAT PARKER**
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA:** *All matters listed will be enacted by one motion unless a request is made for discussion by any council member or member of the audience, in which case, the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately following this portion of the agenda.*
 - A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 9TH 2021 TOWN BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 17TH 2022 TOWN BOARD MEETING AND DECEMBER 20TH 2021 AND JANUARY 4TH, 2022 SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
 - B. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2021 AND JANUARY 2022
 - C. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR DECEMBER 2021 AND JANUARY 2022

**PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.
BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL
MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, BRANDON H. YES, CARRIE M. YES,
PAT P. YES, 4-0**

- 4. PUBLIC APPEARANCES, PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES,
COMMUNICATIONS AND PERSONAL APPEARANCES: NONE**
- 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**
- 6. NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. DISCUSSION ONLY: Melissa McCully**
 - a. Budget
 - b. Cemetery-PT worker/bids
 - c. County ARPA funds
 - d. TSET grant
 - e. Other grants
 - i. T-Mobile Hometown
 - ii. National Park Service
 - iii. AARP

- iv. Park and Play
- f. Park layout
- g. Audit

DISCUSSION ONLY

B. ACTION ONLY: On the swearing in/oath of Vaughan McLain-**Paul Whitnah**

VAUGHAN MCLAIN WAS SWORE IN

C. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: to appoint Todd Beesley to the position of Fire Chief, removing “Interim” - **Paul Whitnah**

BRANDON H. MADE THE MOTION TO APPOINT TODD BEESLEY AS FIRE CHIEF AND TO REMOVE “INTERIM”. PAT P. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, BRANDON H. YES, CARRIE M. YES, PAT P. YES, VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

D. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: On the anonymous voting and approval Vice Mayor (Jessica Couch to tally and read)-**Melissa McCully**

PAT P. MADE THE MOTION TO NOMINATE BRANDON HUNT AS VICE MAYOR, CARRIE M. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, PAT P. YES, VAUGHN M. YES, BRANDON H. ABSTAINED. 4-0

E. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: On the opening of sealed bids for surplus item, Ford Interceptor, by Mayor Paul Whitnah. On awarding bid by vote of the Board (Jessica Couch to tally)- **Melissa McCully**

THE WINNER OF THE 2017 FORD INTERCEPTOR WAS THE CITY OF MARLOW WITH THE HIGHEST BID OF \$18,575.00. PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CITY OF MARLOWS BID. CARRIE M. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

F. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: On the approval/disapproval of surplus random items, to be discussed-**Melissa McCully**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE SURPLUS OF RANDOM ITEMS, AS DISCUSSED. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- G. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On the approval/disapproval of researching different software for billing and water-**Melissa McCully**

DISCUSSION ONLY

- H. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On discussion with possible action of Hotel/Motel Tax ordinance-**Melissa McCully**

DISCUSSION ONLY

- I. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On discussion with possible action on 305 W. Second Street, Wellston-**Melissa McCully**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH CONTACTING THE OWNER, POSSIBLE CODE ENFORCEMENT. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- J. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On approval/disapproval Youth Access to Tobacco Ordinance-**Melissa McCully**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO TABLE, PAT P. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- K. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On the approval/disapproval of Contract with Countryside Veterinary Services-**Melissa McCully**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE COUNTRYSIDE VETERINARY SERVICES CONTRACT. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- L. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On removing Jackson Day, Lisa Robinson, and Dennis Morris from signature card on Volunteer Fire Savings account and replacing with Todd Beesley, Samantha Jordan, and Jessica Couch to signature card, requiring only two (2) live signatures. -**Melissa McCully**

BRANDON H. MADE THE MOTION TO REMOVE JACKSON DAY, LISA ROBINSON, AND DENNIS MORRIS FROM THE VOLUNTEER FIRE SAVINGS ACCOUNT AT FIRST BANK & TRUST CO. WELLSTON AND ADD TODD BEESLEY, JESSICA COUCH AND SAMANTHA DANKER. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

M. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: On approval/disapproval Kickapoo Deputation Agreement -**Chief Hancock**

BRANDON H. MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE KICKAPOO DEPUTATION AGREEMENT, CARRIE M. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

N. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: On approval/disapproval of a Special Event Permit submitted by the Wellston Alumni Association for the 2022 Alumni Street Dance/Parade to be held on May 7-8,2022-**Cody McDonell**

BRANDON H. MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE WELLSTON ALUMNI'S SPECIAL PERMITS AND COMBINE THE PERMIT FEE INTO A SINGLE FEE OF \$25. CARRIE M. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

O. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: On approval/disapproval of using a minimum of \$3300.00 ARPA funds to be reimbursed at 100% for COVID testing site needs-**Cody McDonell**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE WITH 100% REIMBURSEMENT, THE USE OF \$3300.00 IN ARPA FUNDS FOR THE COVID TESTING SITE. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- P. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On approval/disapproval of retiring Richard “Ritchie” Davis Fireman Shield number 72-**Todd Beesley**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO RETIRE RICHARD “RICHIE” DAVIS FIREMAN, SHIELD NUMBER 72. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- Q. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** On approval/disapproval of Police Department budget amendment -**Melissa McCully/Samantha Jordan/Chief Hancock**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO TABLE. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- R. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** CONSIDER APPROVAL TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF TITLE 25, O.S. 2001, AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 307 (B) (1) FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION THE EMPLOYMENT, HIRING, APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISCIPLINING, OR RESIGNATION OF ANY INDIVIDUAL SALARIED PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 307 (B) (4) CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION WITH THE TOWN ATTORNEY CONCERNING A PENDING INVESTIGATION, CLAIM, OR ACTION.
- i. Confidential communication with the Town Attorney concerning a pending investigation, claim, or action.**

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

- S. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:** RETURNING TO REGULAR SESSION.

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION. BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

T. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: SECTION 307 (B) (1) FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION THE EMPLOYMENT, HIRING, APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISCIPLINING, OR RESIGNATION OF ANY INDIVIDUAL SALARIED PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 307 (B) (4) CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION WITH THE TOWN ATTORNEY CONCERNING A PENDING INVESTIGATION, CLAIM, OR ACTION.

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NO ACTION

7. OFFICER REPORTS:

- a. Chief Hancock WPD**
- b. Chief Beesley WFD**
- c. EM Director Cody McDonell**

CHIEF HANCOCK, CHIEF BEESLEY AND EM DIRECTOR McDONELL GAVE THEIR REPORTS

8. ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESS: NONE

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: ADJOURNMENT OF TOWN MEETING.

PAUL W. MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN, BRANDON H. SECONDED THE MOTION, MOTION CARRIED WTH ALL MEMBERS VOTING. PAUL W. YES, CARRIE M. YES, BRANDON H. YES, PAT P. YES. VAUGHN M. YES, 5-0

TOWN CLERK

JESSICA COUCH

PURSUANT TO 25 O.S. SECTION 311 (A) (9) THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED IN PROMINENT PUBLIC VIEW AT THE WELLSTON TOWN HALL, 211 CEDAR ST WELLSTON, OK 74881, PRIOR TO 6:00PM on FEBRUARY 8TH 2022.