City of Elmdale Meeting Minutes September 11, 2023

Mayor, Theresa Simmons presiding: Called to order.

Council Members present: Jim Fritch, Tyler Jackson, Ruth Green by FaceTime, Matthew Simmons, & Sheryle Baker, City Clerk/Treasurer, were in attendance.

Minutes from July council meeting are on website: www.cityofelmdale-ks.org.

August Reconciliation printout was given to each member.

Matthew Simmons made a motion to pay the August bills and Ruth Green seconded the motion.

Monthly checks to Mark Davis, Jim Fritch and Sheryle Baker will be paid on September 30^{th.}

The budget was passed unanimously.

DISCUSSIONS

Restroom Project – Building is going up!

Thanks to the Trusler Foundation the restroom project is moving forward. Concrete foundation is done and building is going up. Grateful for the rain. Rod Engstrand is our builder and he and his crew are working to get it done..

Thanks goes out to Mark Davis, Jerry Bloom, Gary Scott, Marvin Adcock, Charles Pretzer, Greg Davis for all their help and John O'Brien for the concrete he paid for.

October 6-7 for 150-year Chase County Courthouse Sesquicentennial celebration. Chase County Chamber of Commerce has a complete listing of events.

The City of Elmdale will host a Chili Cookoff on October 7^{th} from 11 am -1 pm with a \$20 entry fee with a minimum of 10 people participation. It is open to the public. The judging of the best chili will be at 11 am - Noon and sale of chili will be from Noon -1 pm. There will be prizes for 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , & 3^{rd} to be determined. Bake Sale will be from 11-1 pm

The Council approved the disconnection of A T & T as the siren is no longer hooked to the Sheriff's Office and no longer works. Due to siren issue please download the KWCH Channel 12 app as it is good about alerting our community. The purchase of a weather radio is also an option. Please be aware and stay safe.

Jim Fritch has purchased the old mower from the City for \$300.00 and is paid in full.

We are hoping to purchase gravel for our roads before winter sets in for around \$500,00 for a semi load that will be by the City Shop. Matthew Simmons motioned to purchase one (1) load of gravel for the full amount. At some point we will rent a skid steer for \$700 to spread the gravel from All Atar Rentals.

We are hoping to get the City tractor running soon as we have to replace a back tire. Scott Galmeister said he can get a tire from Mel's Tire. It will cost approximately 4115 to have the tire mounted and a tube replaced.

Jim Fritch has found a backhoe, which he brought before the council. It would be \$5,000 and need some work.

We definitely need to train someone for a water and wastewater maintenance. There are classes to take to become certified. Anyone interested in training please contact me at 620-794-2750

Jim Fritch motioned to adjourn the meeting and Tyler Jackson seconded the motion.

Next City Council October 2, 2023, at 6:00 pm at the City Hall building as Theresa and I will be out of town the October 9-14