

News Release

HAVEN CITY COUNCIL NEWS
May 19, 2008

Mayor Cody Littlestar called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers with Council Members Kathy Long, Jeff Stringer, Charles Arndt and Don Ford present.

Bruce Trapp with First National Bank of Southern Kansas was on the agenda but was unable to appear. He proposed the City purchase a repossessed dump truck on a lease payable on the 2009 budget, however the truck is now tied up in legal paperwork. The Council agreed to reserve discussion until the truck was available and Mr. Trapp could attend.

In the absence of Maintenance Supervisor Allen Andresen, City Administrator Allen Blake discussed the following maintenance issues:

Seasonal help may be needed for mowing. The chassis of the new refuse truck was delivered and taken back to Wichita due to a check engine light. Charles Arndt moved to purchase 25 polykarts at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. Kathy Long seconded and the motion passed with four yes votes. Don Ford moved to purchase uniform tee shirts for maintenance personnel at a cost not to exceed \$300. Jeff Stringer seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Swim pool has been painted, leaks repaired and leaking valves replaced. Some additional work will need to be completed before opening.

Haven Grade School Principal Brad Miller and Charlene Schlickau and Kelly Royer with Haven Grade School Site Council visited with members requesting partnership with the City to make the School's playground more attractive. The Council agreed to consider specific recommendations when presented.

Charles Arndt moved to accept an application from Showalter Fireworks and the Haven Chamber of Commerce for fireworks sales from July 1 to July 4, 2008. Kathy Long seconded and the motion passed unanimously. After review of a financial summary, Don Ford moved to adjust summer swim pool pass rates to \$50 per family and \$30 per single, with review of expenses in 2009. Gate fees were set at \$1.25 for students, \$1.75 for adults. Charles Arndt seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Members agreed to schedule additional sidewalk ramp construction in June. They also agreed to schedule a citywide spring cleanup the week of June 16.

After discussion, Jeff Stringer moved to raise wages for Burn Site Attendant Dennis Pogue to \$7.00 per hour. Don Ford seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Administrator informed the Council that a public hearing was scheduled for June 2 to consider an amended application for a special use permit for USD #312 for construction of a 160-foot communications tower. This application is for a location on the north side of the Middle School rather than the west side of the High School. The lagoon expansion project is on schedule with plans being submitted to the State this week. Bid letting may

be in two to three weeks. Charles Arndt moved to authorize treatment of weeds on City owned land at the sewer ponds, not to exceed \$400. Don Ford seconded and the motion passed four to zero. The reserve in the the City electric fund has gone down. An eventual raise in rates is likely. The Council agreed to consider a resolution raising the reconnect fee for residential utilities to \$30 and commercial to \$100.

Minutes of the May 5, 2008 meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Long and second by Arndt. Bills and transfers totaling \$216,628.30 were unanimously approved for payment after a motion by Arndt and second by Ford. At 8:45 PM, Charles Arndt moved for adjournment. Jeff Stringer seconded and the motion passed unanimously.