

**Minutes of May 7th, 2024 Wakarusa Town Council Meeting**

PRESENT: Rocco Rigsby, Carl Gilbert, Randall Mitschelen, Phil Klotz – Town Council,  
Holly Landis – Town Manager, Katie Fromer – Clerk-Treasurer, Charlie Zercher – Town Attorney  
Absent: Annette Brown – Town Council

President Rigsby called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the April 9th, 2024 Council meeting. Councilman Mitschelen seconds. Approved.

Councilman Rigsby welcomed any visitors who wished to address the Council.

Tessa Parshall reported a good turnout at the election polls in Wakarusa today.

Rick Vandegrift inquired about 220 E Wabash Ave. Town Manger Landis stated the house is being condemned and is following Elkhart County's timeline.

Terry Mark from Elkhart Visitors Bureau announced the 17<sup>th</sup> year for quilt gardens of Elkhart County. On May 16<sup>th</sup> most quilt garden flowers will be picked up. Quilt gardens make our community a better place as they bring in visitors, bring a positive economic impact and revenue, and provide jobs. Mark states that Wakarusa is a well-crafted town.

The Council welcomed DLZ and Baker Tilly to discuss the new Water Treatment Plant and introduce the bond ordinance. Councilman Klotz expressed the Town's appreciation for all the hard work and time put toward this project.

The Town received one bid for the new Water Treatment Plant which was found responsive and responsible. Councilman Klotz made a motion to conditionally award R. Yoder the bid in the amount of \$11,967,209 subject to financing. Councilman Gilbert seconds. Approved.

Councilman Mitschelen makes a motion to introduce Bond Ordinance 2024-4 for the water treatment plant. Councilman Klotz seconds. Approved.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to purchase the scheduled 2024 Police vehicle. Councilman Mitschelen seconds. Approved.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to approve pay application #4 from Beer and Slabaugh in the amount of \$15,858.02 to complete 123 S Elkhart St. parking lot. Councilman Gilbert seconds. Approved.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to approve the requested road closure for June 15<sup>th</sup> from Shortstop Inn. Councilman Mitschelen seconds. Approved.

The Council reviewed Department Reports.

Councilman Klotz made a motion to approve the claims and adjourn the meeting. Councilman Gilbert seconds. Approved.

Next Work Session: June 3rd, 2024

Next Council Meeting: June 4th, 2024



President of Council



Clerk-Treasurer

---