

City Council Special Meeting Minutes  
July 22, 2024  
Lebo Community Building  
320 N Ogden  
6:00 p.m.

Council president Troy Friend called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Council members present: Will Baker, Troy Friend, Amanda Hopkins, and Nick Sanchez.  
Council members absent: Mayor Eric Ferguson and council member Jim Jones

Sealed bids for a sidewalk around the perimeter of the new playground at the west park were received from 2 local contractors, Grimmatt Concrete Construction and Miller Construction:

WP Bids

Miller Construction: 4" sidewalk 4' wide (approximately 1100 ft.) \$9,350 less a \$2,000 donation given to the city for a total of \$7,350. When Sloan spoke with Shawn Miller he indicated he could not promise to get the sidewalk completed this week. Hopkins called Randy Miller during the meeting to get a more definite timeline. Randy indicated to would most likely be the first or second of August.

Miller

Grimmett Concrete Construction: Concrete 4' wide Sidewalk around the new playground 4" 4000 PSI, reinforced with 3/8" rebar on 2' center, Gravel compacted fill under new sidewalk. Material, Labor & Equipment (price doesn't include a sidewalk to tie into sidewalk at new restrooms) Total bid \$9,200. The work will be done this week. Wednesday and Thursday, July 24 & July 25. Grimmatt was called during the meeting to confirm the work would be completed this week.

Grimmett

Playscapes Recreation has installation scheduled with Taylormade Company for Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Playscapes was called to find out what effect it would have on the installation of the Pour In Place Safety Surface if the sidewalk was not completed until August 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>. The first open slot if we are rescheduled would be August 12 but mostly likely August 19<sup>th</sup>. And if weather proves to have an adverse effect on the jobs currently scheduled it could be later.

Playscapes

Baker moved to award the bid to Grimmatt at \$9,200, although the bid was \$1,850 higher, the best overall option for the city is to go with the bid where the sidewalk will be in place this week and we keep our scheduled installation with Taylormade on July 29<sup>th</sup>, Hopkins seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Approve  
Grimmett bid  
WP Sidewalks

Sanchez moved and Friend seconded to approve the contract with Taylormade for \$50,535 to install the Pour In Place Safety Surface, Friend seconded. Motion carried 4/0. The original estimate was \$28,351 of which a \$14,175.45 grant was awarded from the KDHE waste tire grant program. The \$50,535 will be funded from the city Capital Improvement Reserve. The \$14,175.45 grant funds from KDHE will be placed in the Capital Improvement Reserve to replenish some of the funds used.

Approve WP  
Surface

Hopkin moved to enter executive session at 6:55p.m. for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to KSA 75-4319 (b) (1). The meeting will open to the public at 7:00 p.m. Vote 4/0, motion carried. Council asked Sloan to remain in chambers. Friend opened the meeting to the public at 7:00 p.m. Hopkins moved and Sanchez seconded to place an ad on Indeed and the city facebook page advertising a temporary, part-time position with the city as the Community Development Coordinator. The job

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Advertise  
PT Grant position

will be contingent on the city receiving the Rural Champions Grant from the Kansas Department of Commerce. Vote 4/0, motion carried.

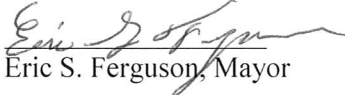
The grant will reimburse the city for wages of \$20,800 (\$20/hr x 20hours a week = \$5,200 quarterly) with an additional implementation grant of \$25,000 to support the identified project. The city will be responsible to match the grant with \$5,200. Only 12 grants will be awarded, which will be announced in September. If the city receives the grant employment can start as soon as October. Sloan suggested funding aside in the 2025 budget and starting the position in January 2025.

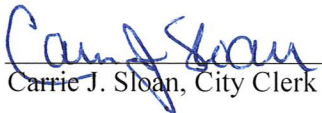
PT Grant  
Position

The person filling the position must be included in the grant which is due at the end of the month. Council will meet next Monday to review resumes received.

Hopkins moved to adjourn, Baker seconded. Vote 4/0, motion carried.

Adjourn

Approved:   
Eric S. Ferguson, Mayor

Attest:   
Carrie J. Sloan, City Clerk