CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 18, 2019 - Mayor Butch Ostrander called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Answering roll call was: Pam Bach, Terri Golightly, Ted Hansen, Kelly Summy and Karen Wilson.

Staff present included City Clerk Marcia Thomas, Public Works Director Dan Van Langen, Library Director Brianna Glen, Fire Chief Tim Murray and City Attorney DuWayne Dalen.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve the agenda; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve the consent agenda; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Greg Dufoe, ADM Superintendent, spoke to Mayor Ostrander, City Council and De Soto residents to remind everyone to vote, June 25th, for the ADM Bond Referendum 2019.

Several residents that live in the Oak Hill Development discussed with the Mayor and City Council their frustration with the property owner; grass, weeds and brush are allowed to grow in excess of the city ordinance. Mayor Ostrander instructed Police Chief Sparling to contact the property owner’s representatives to discuss the expectations of the city in regards to maintaining their property in accordance with the City Code of Ordinances.

Mayor Ostrander opened the Public Hearing for the voluntary annexation of property owned by the Doidge Revocable Living Trust and Lee Doidge @ 8:02p.m. Clerk Thomas said she received one phone call from Lemar Koethe and emailed a digital drawing of the property and proposed development. De Soto resident Carol Lee asked if this property was east of the De Soto Intermediate School and next to Mr. Koethe’s property and Mayor Ostrander said yes. With no more questions from the audience, Mayor Ostrander closed the Public Hearing @ 8:05p.m.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve Resolution 2019-28; A Resolution approving voluntary annexation of property owned by the Doidge Revocable Living Trust and Lee Doidge; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carries 5-0.

Discussion took place regarding setting compensation for city employees for fiscal year 2019/2020; Councilwoman Wilson stated in January 2019, Police Chief Sparling was given a 4% salary increase with the intent of getting him on the same salary schedule as the rest of the city employees which would begin July 1, 2019; Councilwoman Golightly said since Police Chief Sparling is under contract until the end of December 2019, no salary increase is warranted; Motion by Wilson/Summy to approve a 2% salary increase for Police Chief Sparling, effective July 1, 2019; Bach, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Golightly opposed; Motion carried 4-1; Councilwoman Golightly said she wanted to vote individually on wage increases; Motion by Wilson/Summy to approve a 4% wage increase for City Clerk Thomas; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0; Motion by Summy/Bach to approve a 4% wage increase for Public Works Director Van Langen; Bach, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Golightly opposed; Motion carries 4-1; Motion by Bach/Wilson to approve a 4% wage increase for Public Works employee Nick Eckstein; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Bach to approve Resolution 2019-30; A Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of monies from the General Fund to the Benefits Payout Fund; from the Water and Sewer Funds to the Benefits Payout Fund; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Hansen to approve Resolution 2019-31; A Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of monies from the General Fund to the CIP/Police Department Fund and from the Water and Sewer Funds to the CIP/Public Works Fund; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve Resolution 2019-32; A Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of monies from the TIF Funds to the Water and Sewer Funds; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.
Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve Resolution 2019-33; A Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of monies from the TIF Fund to the Debt Service Fund; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Hansen to approve Resolution 2019-34; A Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of monies from the Emergency Fund to the General Fund; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve Resolution 2019-35; A Resolution authorizing the permanent transfer of monies from the LOSST/Public Safety Fund to the General Fund; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Bach to approve Resolution 2019-36; A Resolution of preliminary intent in support of the proposed project expected to be included in an agreement for private development by and between the City of De Soto, Iowa and Keystone Equity Group, L.L.C. (or a related entity); Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Hansen to approve fencing bid from Willms Fencing L.L.C., estimated cost of $3,355.76 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Project; Discussion took place; Bach, Hansen, Summy and Wilson in favor; Golightly opposed; Motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Wilson/Bach to approve Carrick Concrete estimate of $1,650.00 for repairs at the corner of Elm Street and Madison Street; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve Carrick Concrete estimate of $2,400.00 for replacing sidewalk on city property on Walnut Street; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wilson/Hansen to approve AONE estimate of $3,500.00 to bore a new water line for All State Ag, property located on Ellefson Drive; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve sidewalk grant for $1,037.25, property located at 320 Walnut Street; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Golightly/Bach to approve Veenstra & Kimm Building Department Services Agreement and fee schedule; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Having no other business Mayor Ostrander asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Summy/Wilson to adjourn @9:50 p.m.; Bach, Golightly, Hansen, Summy, Wilson in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor: Butch Ostrander Attest: City Clerk, Marcia Thomas

These minutes are subject to approval by the City Council at its next regular meeting.