

# UNAPPROVED MINUTES

## THE RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY CITY OF CHETOPA, KANSAS

March 24, 2020

The Chetopa City Council met in special session on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall, for the specific purpose of discussing city operations and guidelines moving forward through this coronavirus pandemic.

PRESIDING: Mayor Tammy Bushong.

PRESENT: Council Members/Gary W. Bryant, Juanita Kepner, Geraldine Castle, Betsy Koontz, Carthen Nash and Linda Seaman.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk/Toni A. Crumrine, Police Chief Scott Feagan, City Supervisor Bryan Midgett and Bobbi Williams, Superintendent of USD 505 (via cell phone).

Mayor Bushong called the meeting to order.

Areas of concern from the coronavirus pandemic were discussed. The bathrooms at all city parks are being locked and no rental reservations are being made for using the community building. Playground equipment will be taped off and signs posted to please stay off the playground equipment as it has not been cleaned and sanitized and the bank lobby has now been closed. New 1<sup>st</sup> responder guidelines have been given to the members and individuals that are pending COVID-19 test results need to tell the 911 dispatch when requesting medical assistance. The sheriff and police departments are limiting arrests for misdemeanor violations. It was discussed that the water tower project should be completed April 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>. Police Chief Feagan will look into ways to video council meetings so that they still comply with the open meeting requirements and the ten (10) person group limitation is not violated.

The following motions were made by the city council:

Motion by Bryant, second by Koontz to postpone the city wide cleanup to a later date to be determined. Motion carried.

Motion by Nash, second by Koontz to advise public to limit direct contact with the police officers and city crews and handle as much as possible over the phone. Motion carried.

Motion by Bryant, second by Koontz to post public notice that the city is not closing the parks but ask people to practice the COVID-19 safeguards of social distancing and group gathering limitations. Motion carried.

Motion by Nash, second by Kepner to adjourn. Motion carried.

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Mayor

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City Clerk