

# City of Caney Council Meeting Minutes Monday, March 20th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Joshua Elliott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

## Roll Call

Val Hurd -Present	Lori Patterson-Present
Zachary Ellison -Absent	Debbie Wood-Present
Kenith Butts-Present	Aaron Elliott-Present
Nathan Rains-Absent	Addie Traxson Present

Mayor Joshua Elliott led the Pledge of Allegiance

City Administrator Kelley Zellner led invocation

## Public Comments

Doug Blex, District 12 Representative: Spoke about House Bill 2302. It passed the house with a 119-4 vote. It now with the Senate and they expect a decision by next week. Doug advised that this project has been in development for 3 years, and he is 95% sure it will pass. If it passes it will take effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. This will allow up to a 90% forgiveness for cities with a population under 2,000 , that has been paying on debt for at least 5 years. They will start taking grants 9 months to a year after it passes. He stated that Caney is on their radar, and believes Caney is a priority.

Melissa Lyons- 215 West Fourth: Spoke about the proposed water/sewer rate ordinance. Believes it will be a mistake if it is passed.

Christian Franklin- 601 N Vine: Is not thrilled about the water/sewer rates ordinances. Commended a job well done for Missy Hocket, Amanda Childers and Jackie Lafferty

Joe Adams- 313 N East: Spoke about a 25% increase on his utility bill. He stated that he will never support anything the City Administrator does.

Liz Burch- 208 S Spring: Spoke about the water/sewer rates. Asked when it will be brought to the council? Will it be allowed to be petitioned? How much will it generate if the rates are increased? Does it have the potential to be lowered in the future? How will this help the quality of water? What is the status of the current water projects? How many people will this effect?

## Consent Agenda

Presented by Joshua Elliott, Mayor

- A. Approval of the Minutes for the March 6th, 2023 Meeting
- B. Appropriations and Payroll Ord No. 03-17-2023 ***\$185,590.16***
  - a. Approval of Purchases over \$5,000
    - i. EFTPS (Payroll Taxes) \$ 11,380.77
    - ii. Payroll (03/17/2023) \$ 49,779.40
    - iii. KPERS (Retirement) \$ 6,264.87
    - iv. AWG (Caney Market Inventory) \$ 37,394.12
    - v. Blue Cross Blue Shield \$ 18,966.07
    - vi. Alliance Pump \$ 15,427.60

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vii.	Ks Retailer's Tax	\$	6,944.61
viii.	SkidPro	\$	5,500.00
ix.	Evergy	\$	11,888.22
x.	Waste Connections	\$	18,597.53

Council Member Wood made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda presented. Council Member Elliott seconded the motion. Motion Carries:6-0

C. Approve Main Street Auto and Tire payment of \$944.02

**Council Member Wood made** a motion to approve the payment for Main Street Auto in the amount of \$944.02 Council Member Traxson seconded the motion.  
Motion Carries:5-0 (Council Member Elliott abstained)

Old Business

New Council Business

**A. Set date for Workshop**

Presented by Amber Dean, City Clerk: Decide on a date to hold next workshop.

Council Member Patterson made a motion to set the next workshop on Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. Council Member Elliott seconded the motion. Motion Carries: 6-0

**B. Accept bid for demolition of 411 N. State**

Presented by Kelley Zellner, City Administrator: Request to accept bid for the demolition of 411 N. State, Caney KS 67333

Council Member Patterson made a motion to accept bid from Solid Rock for the demolition of 411 N State. Council Member Hurd seconded the motion. Motion Carries: 5-1 (Council Member Butts voted against)

**C. Set the Public Hearing for the 2023 CDBG Demolition Grant**

Presented by Amber Dean, City Clerk: Request to set the public hearing for the 2023 CDBG Demolition Grant for Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Council member Patterson made a motion to set the public hearing for the 2023 CDBG Demolition Grant for Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Council Member Elliott seconded the motion. Motion Carries:5-1 (Council Member Butts voted against)

**D. Executive Session (Non-Elected Personnel)**

To discuss confidential information relating to personnel matters of non- non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A 75-4319 (1)

**Council Member Patterson made a motion** to Recess into executive session to discuss confidential information relating to personnel matters of non- non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A 75-4319

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(1) for a period of 15 minutes to include the City Council, Mayor and Police Chief. Entering in at 7:05 p.m. and returning to regular session at 7:20 p.m.

Council Member Wood seconded the motion. Motion Carries: 6-0

Council Member Patterson made a motion to return to regular session. Council Member Wood seconded the motion. Motion Carries: 6-0

Council Member Patterson made a motion to accept the resignation of Chief Kevin Kitterman effective May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Council Member Wood seconded the motion. Motion carries: 6-0

Council Member Patterson made a motion to Recess into executive session to discuss confidential information relating to contract negotiations pursuant to K.S.A 75-4319 (b) for a period of 10 minutes to include the City Council, Mayor and City Administrator. Entering in at 7:23 p.m. and returning to regular session at 7:33 p.m.

Council Member Patterson made a motion to return to regular session. Council Member Wood seconded the motion. Motion Carries: 6-0

#### Department Reports

1. Mayor-Joshua Elliott- N/A
2. City Administrator- Kelley Zellner- Trash Pick changes Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023
3. Police Department- Kevin Kitterman- N/A
4. City Clerk- Amber Dean- N/A
5. Fire Department- Nick Wood- Kelley Zellner read FD report
6. Caney Market- Cindi Bryan- Amber Dean advised Cindi said that customers are happy about the new hours

#### Council/Mayor Comments:

Council Member Hurd- N/A  
Council Member Ellison- N/A  
Council Member Patterson- N/A  
Council Member Elliott- N/A  
Council Member Butts- N/A  
Council Member Traxson- N/A  
Council Member Wood- N/A  
Council Member Rains- N/A

#### Informational Items

**Next City Council Meeting:** Monday, April 3rd, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

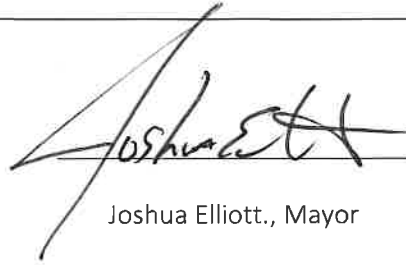
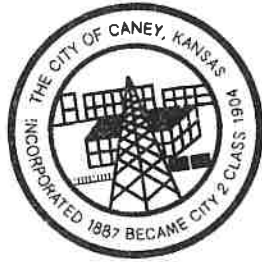
#### Adjournment

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Council Member Patterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.  
Council Member Traxson seconded the Motion. Motion Carries: 6-0

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Joshua Elliott., Mayor

ATTEST:

Amber Dean

Amber Dean, City Clerk