The Council met for a Special Council Meeting Wednesday, December 17, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Sharp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Julich, McReynolds, Crawford and Weilert. Councilmembers Griffith, Walburn and Murrow, City Attorney Fred Works and City Administrator Larry Tucker were absent. Also present were City Clerk Jean Flores, Public Works Director Craig Mintz, Chief of Police Dan Onnen and Utility Foreman Patricia Sanchez-Bosler.

Christie McReynolds, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), was present and explained the purpose of the Special Council Meeting tonight was to lock in a lower interest rate (3.625%) for the loan to improve the City’s water distribution system that the Council had previously approved. Interest rates will increase to 4.125% in January. She said the City will have no obligation to the loan if the grant is not received.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to approve the following documents: Letter of Conditions dated December 17, 2008; RD 1942-46, Letter of Intent to Meet Conditions; RD 1940-1, Request for Obligation of Funds for a loan of $680,000.00; RD 1940-1, Request for Obligation of Funds for a loan of $420,000.00; RD 442-7, Operating Budget; RUS Bulletin 1780-27, Loan Resolution (Public Bodies); SF 424.2, Application for Federal Assistance; complete SF-3881, Electronic Funds Transfer Payment Enrollment Form; and Kansas Instruction 1942-A, Exhibit T, Resolution of Governing Body Adopting Procurement, Bidding and Contract Awards. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Crawford to approve the contract of Reiss & Goodness Engineers, Wichita, Kansas, for the master meter operator fee of $3,000.00 covering the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Weilert, second by Crawford to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

/s/ Robert Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores
City Clerk