

**CITY OF SEDAN  
MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2024**

The Sedan City Council met for the council’s regularly scheduled meeting on January 16, 2024, beginning at 5:30 PM, with Mayor Bryan Blankinship presiding. Council members present: Angela Evans, Janice Fine, Kathy Miller, and Sharon Payne. Council member Adam Clark attended by phone. Employees present: Leslie McGuire, Jim Miller, Sherry Miller, Ralene Davis, and Kirk Richardson. Guests present: Richard Blankinship who is representing The History House, and Tosha Miller.

Janice Fine made a motion to approve the amended agenda, with an executive session to be added after the approval of bills. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adam Clark made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on January 2, 2024. Janice Fine seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Angie Evans made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on January 8, 2024. Sharon Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Janice Fine made a motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$69,555.03; Angie Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments – Richard Blankinship asked the council for an exemption regarding trash service for The History House. The council will be reviewing a list of “free” accounts and will make a decision about billing exemptions at the next meeting.

At 5:35 PM, Janice Fine made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Kathy Miller seconded the motion. At 5:45 PM, the regular meeting resumed. No action was taken.

Kathy Miller made a motion to promote Jim Miller to General Superintendent and Water/Sewer Superintendent, and to raise his pay to \$48,880.00/year. Janice Fine seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Staff Comments-**

- Jim Miller thanked the mayor and council for the promotion and raise. He reported on how things are going. Jim presented an application for employment and suggested the Council hire the applicant. He reported that the handheld meter device will need to be replaced soon. It is at the end of its life, and there are better devices now.

**Council Comments-**

- Kathy Miller reported there is an online Kansas League of Municipalities KOMA training for new council members on February 8, from 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM. Several council members agreed to attend.

**New Business-**

- The council discussed allowing Haley Roberts to move forward, and purchase equipment with the \$5,000.00 grant money she received for a T-ball field at the City Park. Janice Fine made a motion to allow her to proceed; Angie Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Council members discussed Levi Lear’s request to reopen the Blue Devil Car Wash. After much consideration, the council put his request on hold until the Boy Scout Lake moves from Stage 3 Water Conservation to Stage 2.
- Ralene Davis presented a list of “free” accounts to Council to consider. They will make a decision about billing exemptions at the next meeting.
- Ralene Davis presented the December financial report.
- Sherry Miller presented a budget amendment, which will allow budget for trash service.
- Janice Fine made a motion to change signatures at all banks where the City has accounts. Changes are as follows, effective January 25, 2024: remove Ralene Davis, Sherry Miller, and Leslie McGuire; add Raven Darnall, Lana Robinson, and Nancy Crawford.

At 6:22 PM, Janice Fine made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Kirk Richardson was retained. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. At 6:37 PM, the regular meeting resumed. No action was taken.

At 6:40 PM, Janice Fine made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Sherry Miller was retained. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. At 6:55 PM, the regular meeting resumed. No action was taken.

At 6:56 PM, Janice Fine made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Ralene Davis was retained. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. At 7:06 PM, the regular meeting resumed. No action was taken.

At 7:06 PM, Janice Fine made a motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Leslie McGuire was retained. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. At 7:20 PM, the regular meeting resumed. No action was taken.

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Janice Fine made a motion to accept Pinpoint Tech, LLC to perform municipal court services at a rate of \$150.00/month. Sharon Payne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Janice Fine made a motion to allow Ralene Davis to donate excess sick leave, which will be split evenly between Jim Miller and Kevin Henson. Angie Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

At 7:25 PM, Sharon Payne made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Angela Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

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Bryan Blankinship, Mayor

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Sherry Miller, Clerk