Changes approved

LOADER, from Page 1

With the tires, he said, the total

was \$29,962 from Murphy Tractor

In other business, the commis-

mission meeting to 5 p.m. on Tues-

day, Jan. 3. City Manager Wayne

closed the next two Mondays.

and Equipment of Great Bend.

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Hill said the city and planning commission look at these already. "I don't think you do," Kashka

"This is more or less what we have in place," Hill said. "Adding this would hinder someone who wants to locate here. Many of these are things they have to go through as an industrial development."

"The Environmental Protection Agency requires these already," Criswell added.

"Give us a copy of your proposal and we will have the planning commission review it," Hill said.

"Why should a business have to do these?" Commissioner Dave Daniels asked. "I think it is something the planning commission could look at. I don't want to hinder any business that wants to locate here.'

"I think what we have is adequate," Mayor Billinger said. "I don't think we need anything special to keep people out....

"It isn't our job to have them do a feasibility study. I agree with Daniels, this might run potential industry off.'

Criswell said there is a requirement for a 30 day hearing on a conditional use permit, and that under the zoning regulations the planning commission can ask for these studies. He said the planning commission is not the final voice, because it comes to the city commission for final approval.

Billinger did agree to have the planning commission look at the proposal.

Songs, skits entertain

MUSIC, from Page 1

"Children Go Where I Send Thee." Singers Kegan Nothdurft, Keegan Bowling, Hanna Sanderson and Tyler Neufeld led "Child of the World."

Jonah McClung, John Salinas, Tyler Jones, Seth Garza, Kyler Amthor, Coy Johnson, Heath Johnson, Sean Johnson, Cameron Hayes and Jesus Soto danced while the chorus sang "Rap of the Presents." Carlee Cooper, Laramie Farris,

SophiaThompson, Taylor Thomas, Selena Acosta, Gerald Anderson, Matthew House, Thatcher Jones, Hunter Lennington and Tyler Neufeld danced during "Yummy, Yummy."

A musical skit about Elfis getting his band and backup singers from Santa followed. Elfis was Kolt Trachsel; Santa, Matt Murray; and Mrs. Santa, Sabre Yarbrough; elves Ryleigh Paxton, Emily Purvis, Brooke Fairchild, Makala Fogg and Paetyn Barricklow; and reindeer Tanner Helton, Chase Eggert, Jessica Johnson, Keegan Bowling, Britney Brown, Telanie Reicks, Makala Kennedy and Kameron Synder. Each of the backup singers, Nicole Sederstrom as Aretha, Raquel Tomsic as Celine and Stephani DeLaRosa as Mariah, thought they deserved to sing. Members of the band were Aaron Avelar as Stanley, Josh David as Bix and Gerell Miller as Jerry Lee. Elfis, Jerry Lee and Stanley led in "Uh-huh-huh.""Ev'rybody's Goin' on a Sleigh Ride" was next. Laramie Farris and Carlee Cooper led "So Sad at Santa's Pad." Salum Lopez joined Elfis, band and singers in "Are You Lonely and Blue." Music teacher Char Avila directed the program, with help from teachers Debbie Bantam, Susan Jensen, Rebecca Musil and Ctaci Slovacek.

Hutchison and Associates \$1,163, on their plan to use the city's grey for preliminary engineering work water plan, and will meet with them on the project to add the turning after the first of the year to see what would be \$24,997. The other bid lanes on Business U.S. 24 at the Cherry Ave. intersection.

sas Department of Transportation end up on a zero basis. The Goodfor \$872 for part of the preliminary •Approved moving the next com- engineering on the turning-lane project.

 Approved package 3.2 beer li-Hill said the city offices will be cense for Kabredelo's.

Hill said he has been working with Goodland Energy Resources •Approved paying Evans, Bierly,

can be done about city power needs.

Skid loader purchase approved for streets, alleys

'I have to do a year deal with Sun-• Approved a request to the Kan- flower," Hill said. "I don't want to land Energy Resources people are willing to work with on the possibility of amending the contract."

Hill said there are some complications about the grey water. He said since the water is going outside the city limits, there is a question

about the water rights.

Mayor Billinger said he had received a couple of letters commending the police department for help during the recent blizzard, and from the City of Oakley for cooperation clerk, were in the session. from the police department.

The commissioners went into p.m.

telephone conference call with Jeff Mason, city attorney. The commissioners, Hill and Mary Volk, city The meeting adjourned at 5:53

closed session for 10 minutes to dis-

cuss attorney-client matters on a

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