

March 4, 2013
5:15 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, March 4, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was given by Candy Schmitt, City Clerk/Administrator.

Present: Mayor Lentz, and Commissioners Krug, Forkenbrock, Edwards and Barton.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2013 special meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Minutes from the February 19, 2013 meeting were corrected in two areas on the motions for speed limits and adding another member to the park board. Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2013 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2013 special meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve appropriation ordinance #3235 (Payroll) in the amount of \$34,306.92. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve appropriation ordinance #3236 (Disbursements) in the amount of \$240,155.12. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Public Comments

Jeremy Forkenbrock, representing Horton EMS presented Police Chief Beau Hasenohr and Officer Chad Reynolds with a Life Saver Award. They performed CPR on a resident until EMS was able to arrive. This action saved the man's life.

Discussion of the Energy Efficiency Lighting Program and the Bridge Agreement with KMEA for the Purchase of Power

Scott Shreve spoke with the Commission about the energy efficiency lighting program for businesses. There will be a kickoff meeting on March 20 from 11-1.

An agreement with KMEA to cover the time from July 1 to December 31 is being prepared. Because the City of Horton has the capability of capacity generation the cost of power to the City will be approximately \$53 MWH. The current cost through KPP is \$63 MWH. This will be a savings of about \$.01/KWH for the customer through the fuel adjustment.

Mr. Shreve reported that the Rice Rules will have to be followed by 2017.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the lighting program. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Update on Projects and a Proposed Rate Structure for the Sewer Rates

Sam Johnson, BG Consultants Inc., was present to give updates on the sewer project. The contractor left during the week due to the snow and will return to work on Tuesday. The work is going well but slowly.

Pat Cox, BG Consultants Inc., presented a proposal for a change in the sewer rate structure. The Commission requested some additional information on the rules and regulations concerning the payments on the bonds that will be issued and if they have to be paid from sewer revenues. They also wanted more information on whether the savings on electric would offset the increase in sewer rates.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to table this matter to the next meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Bids for KLINK Project

Tom Bennett, BG Consultants Inc., was present to present the bids for the KLINK project. This is milling and overlay project for Central Ave. from 15th Street north to approximately 18th Street. The bids were as follows:

Herzog Contracting Corp.	\$128,413.89
Bettis Asphalt & Construction	\$137,290.59
Hall Brothers, Inc.	\$171,541.80

The Kansas Department of Transportation will pay 75% of the project and the City will pay 25%. Mr. Bennett will coordinate with Mr. Johnson on the sewer project so that the work on the highway will be done before the KLINK project begins.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to award the bid to Herzog Contracting Corp. in the amount of \$128,413.89. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Chief of Police Report

Chief Hasenohr reported that the training for the new Enterpol software will be March 18-22.

Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to include the Commission, Candy Schmitt and City Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye. No action was taken after executive session.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to include the Commission, Candy Schmitt, City Attorney and Traci Molt. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye. No action was taken after executive session.

Discussion of the Purchase of AED Units

Commissioner Forkenbrock demonstrated the use of the AED unit. After some discussion the Commission would like to know the price if only one unit was purchased. Motion by Commissioner Barton to table to the next meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Resolution to Set a Hearing Date for Condemned and Dangerous Structures

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adopt Resolution 2013-001 setting April 15, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. as the hearing date for owners to appear and show cause why the structures should not be condemned. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Request from Better Beef Day for City to Pay Boy Scouts for Cleanup of Civic Center

The Commission received a letter requesting that they pay the boy scouts to clean up the civic center after the better beef day event in April. Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to pay the Boy Scouts \$250 for the cleanup. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Approval of Badge Purchase

There was discussion concerning the purchase of a badge for the Community Services Officer. Ms. Schmitt requested a decision on making the payment to Gall's for the badge. Previously the Commission had directed to withhold the payment. The Commission requested that James Stuart appear at the next meeting to explain the purchase.

Staff Reports

Mr. West reported on the activities of the crews. They are installing the new meters and will be putting in underground electric at the lake to the campsites.

City Clerk's/Administrator's Agenda

There has been a problem with semi-trucks and trailers being parked in the armory parking lot and left for days. There was discussion about putting up signs stating "no overnight parking" or something similar. Mr. Hill will check on an ordinance.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Krug

No report.

Commissioner Forkenbrock

No report.

Commissioner Edwards

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to limit access to free water at the lake to Horton water customers only and ask the police department to monitor and issue tickets. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye. A sign will be ordered and installed.

The Commission asked Mr. West to bring back cost figures for installing a lighted flag at the cemetery in the area of the cannon.

Commissioner Barton

Commissioner Barton asked the Commission to consider allowing campers to pay in advance at the end of the camping season for the next year's season permit at a higher rate.

Mayor Lentz

Mayor Lentz presented pictures of the sidewalk in front of a business on Central. There was discussion about the city crews tearing out the cement and putting the fill material in and the owner replacing the concrete. After discussion it was decided that the Mayor and Mr. West will review the site and bring back information to the Commission.

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Motion by Commissioner Edwards to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to include the Commission, Candy Schmitt, City Attorney and John Calhoon. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye. No action was taken after executive session.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

Tim Lentz, Mayor