

July 21, 2014  
5:15 P.M.  
City Hall Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, July 21, 2014 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was given by Al Barton.

Present: Mayor Lentz, Commissioners Stirton, Krug, Edwards, and Barton. Attorney Kevin Hill and City Clerk Kim Clausen were also present.

Mayor Lentz requested that Proclamation with the Kickapoo Tribe be removed from the Agenda, and that Sam Johnson and Pat Cox with BG Consultants be added.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2014 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve appropriation ordinance #3308(Payroll) for the amount of \$34,619.12. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve appropriation ordinance #3309 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$66,498.59. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Public Comments**

BG Consultants Inc. were present to give Don Winchell their findings about water seeping into his basement. They recommended the least expensive proposal, and the city will work with contacting a landscaper for a bid.

#### **BG Consultants, Inc.**

Sam Johnson and Pat Cox were present to give updates to the Commission on the upcoming Water Distribution Improvements, and Phase II of the Sewer Improvements. Pat Cox also talked about a more cost effective way to redo the downtown streets by doing a rubberized overlay. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to accept pay request No. 12 in the amount of \$124,946.85 for Sapulpa Digging Inc. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to authorize BG Consultants, Inc. to advertise for bids on 7/23/14 and accept bids on 08/21/14. Seconded by Commissioner Krug.

#### **Northeast Kansas Enterprise Facilitation**

Theresa McAnerney was present and thanked the Commission for their support in the past and presented them with the Northeast Kansas Enterprise Facilitation Initiative. Teresa requested a commitment for the city for \$3,360. Motion by Commissioner Krug to commit to \$3,360 for NEKEF 2014. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

**KDOT Airport Grant**

Brad Weisenburger from KDOT Division of Aviation went over options for the city to apply for a grant through them and how much they would match. Commissioner Krug is going to keep in touch with Brad about moving forward in the application process. The deadline for the application this year is September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Sewer Rate Increase**

The Commission discussed the need to increase sewer rates so that the city can pay for the General Obligation Bonds. Motion by Commissioner Krug to increase the sewer rates to \$26.00 for the base rate, and \$5.10 for user rate per 1,000 gallons.

Motion by Commissioner Krug to resend to increase the sewer rates to \$19.15 for the base rate, and \$3.60 for user rate per 1,000 gallons per the recommendation of our financial advisor. The current rates are \$13.75 for the base rate, and \$3.00 for user rate per 1,000 gallons. The Ordinance for the rate increase will be adopted at the next Commission meeting on 8/4.

**Chief of Police**

John Calhoun stated that he is down to three full time officers (including him) and they would be covering the shifts along with part time officers until the positions are filled.

**Staff Reports**

Rex West and team are working on the electricity at the ball field for the new lights. They will also be spraying more weeds throughout town and repairing water leaks. Chip sealing will begin soon.

**Mayor Lentz**

Mayor Lentz is awaiting specs from BG Consultants, Inc. so the city can proceed with going out for bid for downtown improvements.

**City Clerk's/Administrator's Agenda**

No Comment.

**Commissioner's Agenda****Commissioner Krug**

No Comment.

**Commissioner Stirton**

Commissioner Stirton asked for a 15 minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. The person that the executive session was intended for was not available, so the executive session didn't happen.

**Commissioner Edwards**

No Comment.

**Commissioner Barton**

Commissioner Barton wanted to thank Rex West and team for their work on the ball lights.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

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Kim Clausen, City Clerk

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Tim Lentz, Mayor