

August 18, 2014  
5:15 P.M.  
City Hall Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, August 18, 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 Father Dan Gardner.

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

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

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2014 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve appropriation ordinance #3312 (Payroll) for the amount of \$36,295.08. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve appropriation ordinance #3313 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$326,819.21. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Public Comments**

A citizen suggested hiring someone to make some signs to advertise bringing businesses into Horton, and pay for them out of the Reinvent Horton Fund.

Chief Calhoon introduced the new police officer, Cassandra Hofich.

#### **Public Hearing for 2015 Budget**

Mayor Lentz announced the Public Hearing at 5:24p.m. There were no comments made by the public, and the Public Hearing ended at 5:25 p.m. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the 2015 Budget. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Water Distribution Improvements**

Brian Foster with BG Consultants, Inc. was present to give updates on a change order for the 2012 Water Meter Improvements. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the change order No. 2 for the amount of \$630.54 and finalize the contract with HD Supply. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to proceed with going out for bid for the Water Distribution Improvements as described by our engineer, Brian Foster. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Chief of Police**

John Calhoon gave updates on the new officers he has hired, Cassandra Hofich and Cody Douglas.

**Staff Reports**

Rex West and team are done with the new lights at the ball field. They are just cleaning up and working on cosmetic stuff. Rex had a request on behalf of a citizen about parking on both sides of the street on Central & 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue East between 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to allow parking on both sides of the street on Central & 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue East between 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

**Mayor Lentz**

Mayor Lentz is still working with BG Consultants, Inc. so that bidding can be opened for some downtown improvements.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Quitclaim Deed for Harvest Fuel (dba SweetPro) that was prepared by Kevin Hill. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

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

Bonnie Long has started as the full-time janitor for the city and will be focusing a lot on getting the Blue Building back into shape.

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

No Comment.

**Commissioner Stirton**

Commissioner Stirton made sure that Chief Calhoon and staff were prepared to patrol the school zones and reinforce the 20 MPH speed limit.

**Commissioner Edwards**

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to abolish the cities current Purchasing Plan, and rewrite it to meet our purchasing needs. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

**Commissioner Barton**

Commissioner Barton would like to give Bill Sechler a \$500 gift card to Cabela's for the volunteer work that he does around the lakes. Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve the purchase of the \$500 gift card. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye. Commissioner Barton also discusses getting rid of old mowers and parts around the city and selling them for scrap iron.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

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Kim Clausen, City Clerk

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Tim Lentz, Mayor