

January 4, 2016  
5:15 P.M.  
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was led by Father Dan Gardner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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

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

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes from the December 21, 2015 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3385 Payroll) for the amount of \$37,195.35. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3386 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$98,666.66. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

#### **Public Comments**

None.

#### **Sewer Rate Discussion**

Sam Johnson, Pat Cox, and David Arteberry were all present. David Arteberry presented the Commission with several different scenarios for the rate structure, and also discussed the possibility of paying off one of the GO Bonds early out of the electric fund.

Kevin Hill will draft the first reading of an Ordinance and present it at the meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup>. The Ordinance will reflect the proposed 2% increase in sewer rates per quarter.

#### **Open Hauling Bids**

Two bids for hauling street materials were opened. Motion by Commissioner Boller to award the bid to Stirton Bros. Trucking for .1487 cents per ton per loaded mile. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. Aye – Commissioners Krug, Edwards, and Boller. Abstain – Commissioner Stirton. The other bid received was for .20 cents per ton per loaded mile from Johansen Truck Lines Inc.

#### **Mission Lake Electric Rate Discussion/Camping Letters**

This discussion will be tabled until the Commission meets with the Parks & Recreation Board at 6:00 p.m. on January 12<sup>th</sup>. The Commission would like the city to proceed with purchasing meters for Mission Lake so that the electric use can be monitored.

#### **Rex West**

Rex West and team have been working on leveling camping pads at Mission Lake.

**Chief Calhoon**

The maroon Crown Vic is in Hoyt getting the transmission replaced. We should get it back this week. John and his team will be issuing citations on cars that are parked in front yards, and for dogs that they notice without tags.

**Mayor Lentz**

Mayor Lentz and Kim will be working closely to monitor all expenditures for 2016. They will also be focusing a lot more on collecting outstanding debts owed to the city.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to move the next Commission meeting to Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> due to Martin Luther King Day being on Monday. Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

**City Clerk/Administrator**

Motion by Commissioner Boller to approve a 3% COLA for all employees effective January 1, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

**Commissioner Krug**

No updates.

**Commissioner Stirton**

No updates.

**Commissioner Edwards**

No updates.

**Commissioner Boller**

No updates.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

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Kim Clausen, City Clerk

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Tim Lentz, Mayor