

September 3, 2013
5:15 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was led by Pastor Caren Loper.

Present: Mayor Lentz, Commissioners Krug, Forkenbrock, Edwards and Barton, Kevin Hill, and Kim Clausen.

Commissioner Edwards requested an Executive Session be added to the Agenda after the staff report. Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to have a 15 minute Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel following the staff report. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2013 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Commissioner Forkenbrock made the motion to approve the Appropriation Ordinance #3261(Payroll) \$36,953.38. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Commissioner Forkenbrock made the motion to approve the Appropriation Ordinance #3262(Disbursements) \$651,554.74. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Public Comments

Jim Barton would like to see a police chief hired that resides in the city of Horton, rather than someone who is going to have to commute. The City of Horton requires all employees to live within a 30 minute drive of city limits.

Buzz Allen suggested that the city hire the current volunteer mower at the lake full time for next season. He also asked about campers being parked at the shelter house. It was noted by the Commission that the citizens that rented the shelter house for that weekend paid in full for the services.

Insurance Update

Brad Bukaty was present and gave the Commission an update on HealthCare and Dental rates for the city employees. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to table until the next meeting and give the Commission more time to think about it before making a decision. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Sewer Project Updates

Mayor Lentz gave updates on Sapulpa Digging Inc. They did not work over the holiday weekend because resources were not available if they ran into trouble. Sapulpa should be completed with phase I of the project by the end of the month.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve pay request No 9 for \$446,386.43 for Sapulpa Digging Inc. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Bids for Street Repair by SweetPro

Bids were opened for the repair of the street by Sweet Pro. Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to accept the low bid of \$10,572.00 by J & B Contractors at the next Commission meeting on September 16th. The decision is pending the outcome of another potential big project within the city. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

The second bid received was from Warman Concrete & Construction in the amount of \$17,860.00.

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Ordinance 1134, General Obligation Bond in the amount of \$2,955,000. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Resolution 2013-003 for General Obligation Bond in the amount of \$2,955,000. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Court Clerk and Chief of Police Positions

Motion by Commissioner Edwards for Candy Schmitt to be the part-time Court Clerk starting on November 4, 2013 at a wage of \$10.26 an hour. Dawn Hadley is filling in as Court Clerk until Candy's return.

The Commission will hold a Special Meeting to interview for the Chief of Police position sometime during the week of September 9-13th.

New Housing Authority Member

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to appoint Helen Ashton as the new Horton Housing Authority member. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Kevin Hill left the Meeting at 6:44 p.m.

Staff Reports

Rex West and staff will be boring a line on Saturday because they don't know if it is a main or service water line that is going to be affected.

His team has also been busy with mowing and installing roughly 160 water meters by the end of September.

Demolition of the house on 2nd Avenue West is still on the agenda.

15 Minute Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to go into executive session for 15 minutes at 7:02 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel to include the Commission and Kim Clausen. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

After the executive session a motion was made by Commissioner Edwards to raise Kim Clausen's hourly pay rate to \$20.17 because of her new duties. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

City Clerk's/Administrator's Agenda

Kim let the Commissioners know that the Blue Building is not available for a movie night in the month of October as previously requested by Daniel Burn on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Krug

No Comment.

Commissioner Forkenbrock

Commissioner Forkenbrock would like to look into developing a fund that citizens can borrow against for code enforcement issues. Kevin Hill stated that he would look into this.

He would like to see a pay scale provided by the League that shows the difference in pay per department. After this is received, Commissioner Forkenbrock would like to have a meeting with the Commission to review the pay scales.

Commissioner Edwards

Commissioner Edwards would like James Stuart to remind everyone about the Mission Lake Dam EAP Tabletop Training Exercise on September 20th either by phone or with a follow-up e-mail.

Commissioner Barton

Commissioner Barton presented the proposal for the lights at the ball field that was prepared by Mayor Lentz and Commissioner Barton.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Phase I of the lights, which will come from the Parks & Rec budget, not to exceed \$14,500.00, and Phase II that will install two more lights, which will come from the Electric Budget and not to exceed \$16,500.00. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. Aye – Commissioners Edwards, Forkenbrock, Barton, and Mayor Lentz. Nay – Commissioner Krug.

Mayor Lentz

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to award the removal of the dirt to Lowe Construction. They were the only one to submit a bid to move the dirt to the south end of the city. The bid was for \$13,612.50. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Mayor Lentz is going to attend a meeting in Emporia on September 5th and give a presentation on the dredging project at Mission Lake in front of the governor.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Kim Clausen, City Clerk

Tim Lentz, Mayor