

January 20, 2014
5:15 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, January 20, 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 Krug, Forkenbrock, Edwards and Barton, Kevin Hill, and Kim Clausen.

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

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to remove appropriation ordinances #3282 (Sick Pay) & #3283 (Payroll) for the amounts of \$2,842.47 & \$35,018.38. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye. The detailed employee history amounts were not included in the packets, so the Commission will approve them at the Commission meeting on 02/03/2014.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2014 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve appropriation ordinance #3284 (Disbursements)) for the amount of \$82,046.03 after clarification was asked on several items from Commissioners Forkenbrock and Edwards. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Public Comments

Lesa Duryea from the Tri-County Manor was present and shared reports with the Commission including, the current employee breakdown, and the balance sheet and income statement for 2013. Lesa also stated that their new bus is here, and that the Medicare application had been submitted.

David Mills from Kansas Audio Video briefed the Commission on the security cameras that his company sells. He did a walkthrough at City Hall and gave a bid on the cost if a camera system.

Chris Barlow, the CEO of the Horton Hospital was present to give an update on the representation from the hospital that would be in town for the town hall meeting on 1/22/2014.

Felicia Smith introduced herself as the new reporter for the Horton Headlight.

Advertising for Bids for City Roof Repair

The city has already received one closed bid, and will be going out for more closed bids within the next week. The repair is needed at City Hall, the Civic Center, and the Power Plant. The closed bids will be opened at a Commission meeting at a later date.

Proclamation of Boy Scout Week

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to proclaim the first week of February, 2014 as Boy Scout Anniversary Week. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Staff Reports

Rex West was present to give an update of what he and his team are working on. They have been servicing the mowers and ordered new blades, servicing the police vehicles, and finished the electric line on the east side of the lake. Weather permitting, they will be focusing on trimming trees, and changing out poles and redoing some electrical wiring near Orchard Heights.

Motion was made by Commissioner Edwards to allow Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co. to repair the broke down backhoe for the city for the amount of \$5,623.80. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Chief of Police

Chief Calhoon shared the stats of the radar trailer that was set up at 15th & 4th Avenue East. He also presented to the Commission a bid for a new camera system provided by Kansas Audio Video. The Commission would like to see an updated bid with one more camera added to it.

Motion was made by Commissioner Krug to approve the bid from Tim Ross to lay new carpet in the upstairs police area at City Hall for the amount of \$1,829.59. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Forkenbrock for the grant from the Brown County Prevention Alliance for underage drinking enforcements for the weekends of prom and graduation which provides funding to purchase a breath tester, plus \$360 for patrol reimbursements. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion was made by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the list of adopted fees for the police department for 2014 provided by Chief Calhoon. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

City Clerk's/Administrator's Agenda

Brown Atchison Electric has requested to be allowed to cover the "No Parking" signs on 17th Street from Central to 1st Ave for their annual meeting to be held on February 20th from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to allow the signs to be covered. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Kim informed the Commission that 39 people took advantage of the pre-signup for their spot at the lake. The remaining spots will be available for signup in April.

Kim presented open dates from Howard Auction Service to hold the city auction. The Commission agreed that they would like to have it on March 8th.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Krug

Commissioner Krug had an open discussion about the Commission having advanced knowledge about big issues within the city prior to them coming to a head.

Commissioner Forkenbrock

No Comment.

Commissioner Edwards

Commissioner Edwards encouraged everyone to visit the city library and see the remodeling that has been completed.

Commissioner Barton

Commissioner Barton said that Larry Pottroff is willing to build picnic tables for the lake. Motion by Commissioner Barton to allow Larry Pottroff to build 15 picnic tables for the amount of \$1,200.00. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Commissioner Barton also spoke about the lake caretakers' house and how bad of shape it is in. He discussed tearing it down and placing a trailer there.

Mayor Lentz

Mayor Lentz talked about upgrading all of the outlets at the lake that are currently 30 amp to 50 amp. The Commission suggested having the 30 amp adapters on hand at the hardware store in town, and a few at the lake caretakers' home for people to purchase. Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve the invoice to upgrade the remaining outlets to 50 amp. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Mayor Lentz encouraged people to attend the town hall meeting on 1/23/2014.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Kim Clausen, City Clerk

Tim Lentz, Mayor