

October 5, 2015
5:15 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, October 5, 2015 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was led by Muscotah United. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adopt the agenda after adding the Willis 4H Club before Public Comments. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

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

Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3373 (Payroll) for the amount of \$32,490.71. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3374 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$114,130.45. Seconded by Commissioner Stirton. All aye.

Mayor Lentz recited and signed the Proclamation for the Willis Allstars 4H Club recognizing October 4-10th as National 4H Week.

Public Comment

Lemar Shoemaker was present to ask for approval on a list of supplies for the fire department that he requested. Motion by Commissioner Stirton to approve \$4019.06 in supplies. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Don Winchell was present to ask the Commission for any updates on his issue with his basement leaking. Commissioner Edwards recommended that the city file a claim with their insurance company and let them investigate it and make a determination.

Request to be Placed on Agenda

George Roberts was not present.

Rainbow Franchise Agreement

James Lednický and Jason Smith presented the renewal of the Franchise Agreement with the city to the Commission. This agreement is renewed every ten years. The Commission and the City Attorney recommended a few changes to mirror the old agreement. Rainbow will update the agreement with the requested changes and submit to the city clerk for approval at the next Commission meeting.

Discuss Health Insurance Premiums

Brad Bukaty was present to inform the Commission that the increase in Health Insurance premiums for city employees will be 4.9%. If the city decides to stay with United Healthcare, this would go in effect on 12/01/2015. There was no increase for Delta Dental.

Adoption of Ordinance No. 1150

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Ordinance No. 1150, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-310 OF THE HORTON MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF HORTON, KANSAS. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Adoption of Ordinance No. 1149

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Ordinance No. 1149, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SEWER RATES FOR USERS OF THE HORTON MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PLANT AND COLLECTION SYSTEM. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Approve Payment Request and Change Order

Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve pay request No. 7 in the amount of \$421,716.30 for K.C. Construction, Inc. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Change Order No. 5 resulting in a decrease of \$47,173.80. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Review Ordinances for Updates

The Commissioners reviewed five older Ordinances and found no discrepancies. They will review five more at the next meeting.

Chief of Police

Chief Calhoon and team have been demoing two cars, a Dodge Ram truck, and a Dodge Durango to help determine what kind of vehicle that they are going to purchase next year.

Chief Calhoon will be taking some vacation time this week, and also attending the Chiefs Conference.

A few digital cameras will be purchased for the police vehicles and will be paid for by a grant.

Mayor Lentz

Mayor Lentz stated that K.C. Construction did their last dig 10/5, and will be wrapping up soon.

Mayor Lentz stated that Bettis Asphalt & Construction will be in town next week to work on four downtown alleys which will come out of Phase II funds. He also got a bid for \$125,000 which would overlay the streets downtown. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to defer action on the downtown streets pending the budget process. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

City Clerk's/Administrator's Agenda

Roger Allen put in his two weeks' notice with the city. His last day will be October 16th.

A gentleman inquired about purchasing the four lots at 401 East 7th Street. The Commission requested that an officer talk with the neighbors to see if they are interested in the property. If so, the city would request sealed bids.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Krug

Commissioner Krug asked about the cement that the city has been lining Mission Lake with. He thinks that the rocks are an eyesore.

The dam needs more focus next year. The weeds are horrible.

Asked the City Clerk about the additional training that was provided to the front office by Data Technologies.

Commissioner Stirton

No comment.

Commissioner Edwards

No comment, other than he is thankful that the city of Horton has a hospital in town.

Commissioner Barton

Motion by Commissioner Barton to assess a Utility Fee to all Blue Building rentals, excluding city and Reinvent Horton meetings going forward. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Rita Higley will be attending the next Park Board meeting on the 13th. Commissioner Barton invited the Commission to come and place their votes on the little library for Hickory Point.

The Park Board has put together changes to the park and camping rules for next season. The Commission was advised to review those changes and submit any concerns to the city clerk. The rule changes will later need to be put in the form of an Ordinance. The "no swimming on or around the boat dock area" will also be approved in the Ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner Barton to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Kim Clausen, City Clerk

Tim Lentz, Mayor