

October 19, 2015  
5:15 P.M.  
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, October 19, 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 Father Dan Gardner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Present: Mayor Lentz, and Commissioners 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. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes from the October 5, 2015 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3375 (Payroll) for the amount of \$30,213.46. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3376 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$491,285.60. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Public Comments**

Mark Tollefson was present ask permission to hold the Veterans Day Parade on behalf of the American Legion Post 7 and VFW Post 2031. Motion by Commissioner Edwards to have to Annual Veterans Day Parade on November 11, 2015 beginning at 2:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Presentation of Insurance Benefits**

Ron Jurgensmeier and Glenda Marple were present to give the Commission a presentation on a proposal for partially self-funded group health benefit program for the city. The City Clerk will provide the company with individual employee health questionnaires so that they can provide the city with a firm quote based on our current employees.

#### **Approve Revised Rainbow Franchise Ordinance No. 1151**

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Ordinance No. 1151 **An Ordinance Setting Forth Regulations, Terms and Conditions Under Which Cable Communication System Shall be Constructed And Operated in the City of Horton, Kansas; Granting to Rainbow Communications a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Cable Communications System Within the City of Horton, Kansas; and Repealing City of Horton Ordinance No. 1062.** Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Review Ordinances for Updates**

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to table the review of the Ordinances until next meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

#### **Chief of Police**

- The police department will receive a 2016 grant award in the amount of \$24,194.00 through the Federal Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program.
- The police department received four new bulletproof vests for the department last Thursday.
- The Horton Dog Pound was recently inspected by the State of Kansas Division of Animal Health. The city must repair the items listed on the progress sheet to be in compliance. Some of the items on the

progress sheet included painting where areas have either peeled or wore off, holes in the concrete floor, and adding fans to aid in keeping the floor dry, and for temperature control.

-The striping has been removed from the Explorer and will soon be removed from the Dodge. The decision will be discussed further at the next meeting on how these will be advertised to sell.

-Michael James has been hired as a part-time patrolman starting on 10/19. Michael brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the position.

-Chief Calhoon requested use of the Blue Building and/or the Firing Range at no charge for upcoming training classes. Motion by Commissioner Barton to approve Taser Training on 12/17-18/2015, Patrol Rifle Instructor on 4/25-29/2016, Handgun, Shotgun Instructor on 10/10-14 2016, and a Glock Course on 11/17/15. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

-Motion by Commissioner Edwards for the City Clerk to complete the Federal Surplus Property Application so the city can acquire federal surplus items if needed. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Chief Calhoon also provided the Commissioners with a monthly mileage and maintenance report on the vehicles.

### **Mayor Lentz**

Octoberfest was a success! There were 42 entries in the car contest, and 7 in the BBQ contest. The talent show in the evening raised \$865.00 for Reinvent Horton.

Work on the Duckwall's building is underway. Motion by Commissioner Barton to allow the closure of the street and sidewalk from the Senior Citizens Building to the end of the block (the u-turn) on 10/24 to paint the outside of the building. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

The Commissioners will attend a meeting on 10/26 at 9:00 a.m. with Pat Cox to discuss financing, location, and type of Wastewater Treatment Plant.

### **City Clerk/Administrator**

The city will be reimbursed \$12,809.02 from the CFAP Grant that was applied for last year for the vault toilet at Mission Lake.

The front office will be unable to process payments, or do anything computer related on 10/20 because the hard drive has to be replaced on the server. A message was sent out on Facebook as a friendly reminder.

### **Commissioner Krug**

No comment.

### **Commissioner Stirton**

Not present.

### **Commissioner Edwards**

Spoke about the upcoming city election changes and updates and how it will affect our city. This will be placed on the next agenda to discuss more in depth.

Attended a presentation on Priority Based Budgeting that they utilize in Olathe.

### **Commissioner Barton**

There was no quorum at the last Parks & Recreation Board meeting on 10/13. The board did vote on the little free library entries and chose the train depot design.

The boat ramp at Mission Lake is in need of repair. The end of the ramp has washed away and caused a 17' drop off at the end. The Commissioners discussed fixes and the possibility of relocating the ramp all together. Kim will call KS Wildlife and Parks to get some feedback from them.

Commissioner Barton asked if any of the Commissioners have had a chance to review the proposed changes to the Lake Regulations. None of them had looked at them.

Don Winchell was present to discuss the ongoing problem with water leaking into his basement when it rains. The cities insurance company investigated the issue and determined that the city is not liable for the leaking into Mr. Winchell's basement. Kevin Hill recommended that if Mr. Winchell is intent on continuing to pursue damages with the City of Horton, it will be necessary that Mr. Winchell's claim be presented in writing, in accordance with K.S.A. 12-105b, outlining (among other items) the factual basis for his claim and the damages claimed. This would then be reviewed again by the cities insurance provider.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Barton. All aye.

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Kim Clausen, City Clerk

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Tim Lentz, Mayor