

August 1, 2016  
5:15 P.M.  
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regular meeting on Monday, August 1, 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 Al Shirmacher. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

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

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to adopt the agenda after removing Samuel Johnson. Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2016 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3415 (Payroll) for the amount of \$29,456.74. Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve Appropriation Ordinance #3416 (Disbursements) for the amount of \$141,724.17. Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

#### **Public Comments**

Teresa McAnerney presented updates on the Northeast Kansas Enterprise Facilitation Initiative. Teresa requested a commitment for the city for \$4,100. Motion by Commissioner Boller to commit to \$4,100 for NEKEF 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Boller to allow use of the Armory for after-prom on April 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

There were several concerned citizens present regarding the fate of the trailer homes on/near West 9<sup>th</sup>. Kevin Hill informed the residents that he will present a Resolution for Abatement allowing the city to tear down the structures at the next Commission meeting. If adopted by the Commission, the Resolution will go into effect 20 days after it is adopted.

#### **Rainbow Communications – Presentation of Sign**

Angie Kreider presented the city with a sign for being a Smart Rural Community, meaning that we utilize the high-capacity broadband connection provided by Rainbow Communications.

#### **First Reading of Ordinance No. 1157**

The State of Kansas has just increased the state assessment for the Law Enforcement Training fund from \$20.00 to \$22.50. This change was effective July 1, 2016. The Ordinance will change the court costs from the current \$91.00 to \$93.50. This was the first reading of the Ordinance.

#### **Review Two Contracts Drafted by Kevin Hill**

Motion by Commissioner Boller to approve the Activities Coordinator contract drafted by Kevin Hill. The current contract will be in effect until December 1, 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Economic Development Agreement drafted by Kevin Hill. The agreement will be used for the electric upgrades at SweetPro, and for any utility upgrades on existing businesses in the future. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

**Todd Horton**

Todd Horton provided updates to the Commission on the generation plant. Josh Haverkamp has been cleaning, organizing, and painting full time and is making great progress.

**Chief Calhoon**

The white police truck is now fully equipped. Chief Calhoon said that bills will be coming in for the installation costs, but the equipment itself was paid for by a grant (up to \$25,000).

If time permits, Chief Calhoon will write a grant applying for 7-8 new portable radios for the officers.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to approve signatures for the grant by the mayor if needed.

Seconded by Commissioner Boller. All aye.

Chief Calhoon will be using some vacation time soon; he has two weeks to use by the end of next month.

**Mayor Lentz**

The final walkthrough was done this week with AHR Construction, Inc. on the downtown improvement project. The pay request and change order will be presented at the next Commission meeting.

HIDC has offered to contribute \$14,000 in funds to paint the generation plants inner walls, floor, and engines.

There is a new business opening downtown. This is another building that was remodeled by funds from Marcus Lemonis. The building will be a women's clothing boutique.

**City Clerk/Administrator**

Community Fisheries Assistance Program (CDBG) has reviewed the cities application for FY17 grant, and has agreed to pay 38% of the \$17,165.00 requested for a new vault toilet at Mission Lake.

Motion by Commissioner Edwards to accept the 38% match from CFAP for a new vault toilet at Mission Lake. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

**Commissioner Krug**

No comment.

**Commissioner Stirton**

Not present.

**Commissioner Edwards**

Commissioner Edwards requested to have a Revenue Workshop at the end of the next Commission meeting to discuss all opportunities for revenues for the city.

**Commissioner Boller**

The movie night at the Blue Building was a success. It brought in about 40 kids. The next movie night will be held outside.

Motion by Commissioner Boller to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Edwards. All aye.

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Kim Clausen, City Clerk

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Tim Lentz, Mayor