CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

April 16, 2013 7:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 with Mayor Pat Landes presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Cecil Aska, Scott Johnson, Pat Landes, Jim Sands, and Jack Taylor. Staff present was: City Manager Vernon, City Attorney Logan, and City Clerk Ficken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lawrence Ruiz thanked the Commission and still holds the board in high regard; good luck to the new Commissioners. Mr. Ruiz stated that there is great potential for training opportunities between the City and Ft. Riley; with NBAF and the hospital addition, it is important to keep highly qualified military personnel in the area.

Deb Johnston thanked Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Taylor for their service. She stated that she e-mailed the Commission regarding a security issue at her home. She stated that she should have received and apology with the explanation that was provided. She has a right to feel safe at her home.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-8 dated March 26, 2013 to April 8, 2013 in the amount of $949,641.19. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the April, 2, 2013 City Commission Minutes. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of ambulance contractual obligation adjustments and bad debt adjustments (March 2013). Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval of a temporary Cereal Malt Beverage license to the Fraternal Order of the Eagles for an event at 205 E. 10th St. to benefit the Wounded Warriors on July 27, 2013. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by

Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval for the purchase of Microsoft Office 2013 software from CDW-G. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and formal acceptance KMU Conference delegates. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of request for street closing for the Armed Forces Day and Military Appreciation Day Celebration event on May 18, 2013. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Arbor Day Proclamation, Proclaiming April 26, 2013 Arbor Day in Junction City and Arbor Day Poster Presentation.

Proclamation proclaiming and celebrating Nation Drinking Water Week, May 5-11, 2013 in Junction City.

Recognition of Service for Commissioner Johnson and Commissioner Taylor.

NEW BUSINESS

Oath of office for incoming Commissioners. City Clerk Ficken administered the oath to the newly elected Commissioners.

Election of Mayor. City Manager Vernon explained the process. Commissioner Ryan nominated Commissioner Aska for Mayor. City Manager Vernon called for a vote for the selection of Commissioner Aska as Mayor for a term ending April of 2014. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Election of Vice Mayor. Mayor Aska asked the Commission for a nomination for Vice Mayor. Commissioner McCallister nominated Commissioner Landes for the position. Mayor Aska called for a vote for the selection of Commissioner Landes as Vice Mayor for a term ending April of 2014. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Appointment of Commissioners to City Boards by Mayor Aska

1. Convention and Visitors Bureau – Commissioner Sands
2. Military Affairs – Commissioner McCallister
3. Health Board – Commissioner Ryan
4. Animal Shelter – Mayor Aska

Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to appoint Commissioner Landes to the Chamber of Commerce Board and Economic Advisory Board. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Commission appointment of official City newspaper (Daily Union). Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to appoint the Daily Union as the official City newspaper. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of award of bid – Heritage Park electrical power supply. Commissioner McCallister asked what the total cost for the project would be. Public Services Director McCaffery stated the cost would not exceed $70,000; McCaffery stated that daily rates and a future agreement with Sundown Salute would go toward project costs. Mayor Landes inquired as to whether the projects would address stage electrical. Commissioner Aska stated that stage costs would at additional expense. Public Services Director McCaffery stated that an additional transformer would be required, and an additional expense of $50,000 should be expected which could be discussed for the 2014 budget. Public Services Director McCaffery stated that the project would result in fewer lines being used at the park. Finance Director Beatty stated that the Commission should also consider the options to fund the project. Finance Director Beatty stated that the Commission could use funds from department budgets, the reserve fund, or the capital improvement fund. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve award of bid to McCaleb Electric in an amount not to exceed $70,000 for the project, with funds originating from the Capital Improvement fund. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan. Nays: Sands. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of award of bid – joint crack sealer machine. Commissioner McCallister asked if there would be an advantage to leasing the crack sealer machine versus purchasing. Public Services Director McCaffery stated that the Public Works Department will do a great job on this project, but cost and availability of machines is always an issue when there is a seasonal window for equipment use. Finance Director Beatty stated that she typically advises to lease purchase equipment costing over $50,000. Commissioner Sands asked if the current machine is worth keeping. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the machine needs to be sold. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the award of bid in the amount of $34,527.00, and declare the currently owner crack sealer as surplus. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried

APPOINTMENTS

Consideration of appointment to the Corrections Advisory Board. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to appoint Police Chief Brown to the Corrections Advisory Board until March 2015, and the juvenile board until March 2016. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of two candidates for appointment to the Board of Trustees of the Dorothy Bramlage Public Library. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to appoint Wilma Green (4-30-2016) and Michelle Custer (4-30-2017) to the Board of Trustees of the Dorothy Bramlage Public Library. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner McCallister stated that as he is new to the Commission, and he is likely to ask many questions. He thanked the voters, and wished to engage the 88% that did not participate in the election. Junction City has a bright future, and he looks forward to moving forward.

Commissioner Landes enjoyed a session with the Rocking Readers at Westwood Elementary. There is a very important community meeting scheduled at Ft. Riley where community input will be received. Commissioner Landes welcomed the new Commission members.

Commissioner Sands stated that he is very happy for the new board members, and thanked Commissioners Johnson and Taylor for their service.

Commissioner Ryan thanked the voters, and he will enjoy the opportunity to make these decisions.

Mayor Aska thanked the outgoing Commissioners for their service; while disagreements occurred, it is good to have differing opinions on the Commission. Junction City still has a long way to go, and the community can rest assured that the Commission will protect the interests of Junction City. Commissioner Aska stated that June 21th will be opening day for the Brigade at Rathert Stadium.

STAFF COMMENTS

City Manager Vernon stated the Commission will be holding a work session on Saturday, May 4th for orientation and discussion.

Finance Director Beatty welcomed the new Commissioners and provided a reminder of the City Wide Cleanup event.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 7th DAY OF MAY AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR APRIL 16, 2013.

Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

Cecil Aska, Mayor