CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

May 7, 2013 7:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 with Mayor Cecil Aska presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Cecil Aska, Pat Landes, Mick McCallister, Mike Ryan, and Jim Sands. Staff present was: City Manager Vernon, City Attorney Logan, and City Clerk Ficken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Representative Rothlisberg provided an update on the Casino issue, sales tax issue, and provided his contact information.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-9 dated April 9 to April 30, 2013 in the amount of $627,301.74. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of the April 16, 2013 City Commission minutes. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of April payroll. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of fee waiver request from USD #475 for building permit, inspection, and plan review fees. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval for a temporary Cereal Malt Beverage license to Sundown Salute for the Mud Bogg that will be held in the 900-1000 block of Grant Ave on May 11, 2013. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of the noise waiver, street and parking closure and barricades, use of electricity and the selling of food and beer for Jammin' in JC Blues and BBQ Festival from September 27 to September 28, 2013 in Heritage Park. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of 2013 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant application. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Consideration of an appointment to the EDC Advisory Committee Board. Commissioner Sands stated that all of the resumes were good, and he hopes that Mr. Ruiz will continue to attend board meetings. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the appointment of Tom Silovsky to the EDC Advisory Committee Board. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of the Pawnee Mental Health proclamation.

EMS Week Proclamation, week of May 19 – 25, 2013 Mayor Aska Presenting.

Peace Officers' Memorial Day and Police Week Proclamation presented by Mayor Aska.

Proclamation Proclaiming National Public Works Week May 19- 25, 2013 in Junction City.

Finance Director Beatty presentation on financial reports.

Jeff White of Columbia Capital to present on City debt profile. (Exhibit A)

Jeff White of Columbia Capital to present on City bond refinance. (Exhibit A) Commissioner Landes asked if the refinance revenue could be saved. Mr. White stated that the Commission would decide how the funds could be used. Commissioner Landes asked if the payments would extend to 2024 regardless of the refinance. Mr. White responded yes. Finance Director Beatty stated that documents for the refinance would be presented at the next Commission meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration and award of bid of general liability and property insurance. Commissioner Landes asked if the contract would be for 3 years. James Charlesworth stated that the term is one year, and cost for the interim would be prorated. Finance Director Beatty stated that in the future, the City should work toward providing self-insurance. Commissioner Ryan asked if the trust would cover paramedics and advanced EMTs. Mr. Charlesworth stated that he is certain it will, and he will follow up with a call on that confirmation. Commissioner McCallister asked why there is a 17% increase from Traveler's. Mr. Charlesworth stated that property values have changed, and the Joplin Tornado may be having an impact. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve award of general liability and property insurance to Midwest Public Risk (MPR). Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve Ace Insurance Company with broker Cardinal Insurance for airport property and liability renewal. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Amendment to Development Agreement Chestington Addition. Commissioner McCallister asked if two years is standard for covering improvement construction. Finance Director Beatty stated that two years allows for two weather cycles, and should be sufficient. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Amendment to Development Agreement Chestington Addition. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of approving the Development Agreement with RDM Investments, LLC, and Richard Rothfuss, Managing Partner, concerning the final plat approval of land located on the east side of Spring Valley Road and north of Ponca Drive to be known as Quarry Oaks Addition Unit No. 1. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve the Development Agreement for the Quarry Oaks Addition Unit No. 1 to the City of Junction City, Geary County, Kansas, and the Mayor and City Clerk is authorized to sign the Development Agreement for said plat. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of a Resolution of Support and Administration for a KDOT Safe Routes to School Grant Application – 2014. Commissioner Landes asked what purposes the Special Highway funds are for. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that they are for roads and highways in addition to sidewalks; the Ash & Washington, and 6th & Franklin projects could fall into this program. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that much of the annual funds go to pay the debt. Commissioner McCallister asked if the funds could be used for general sidewalk maintenance. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the funds would need to be used to make links such as that which was completed on Eisenhower from 6th St. to 8th St. Municipal Services Director

McCaffery stated that the sidewalks should be addressed by the comprehensive plan. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve R-2719. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of Award of Bid 2013 Street Maintenance – Concrete Repairs. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve award the T&M Concrete for 2013 Street Maintenance Concrete Repairs in an amount not to exceed 109,600.25. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the expansion of the current Sundown Salute Freedom Run Memorial at Heritage Park. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve expansion of the current Sundown Salute Freedom Run Memorial at Heritage Park. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the appointment of Interim City Manager. Commissioner Sands stated that the City is behind with a lot of staff pay, and he is not comfortable with an increase at this time. Commissioner Landes stated that the City will experience a cost savings with the open position. Commissioner McCallister stated that he is concerned about the workload for the interim City Manager; it is budget season. Finance Director Beatty stated that she will be working some late nights. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the appointment of Cheryl Beatty as interim City Manager effective May 31, 2013. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried. Commissioner McCallister suggested that the salary be set at $86,000 which is the maximum pay for the Finance Director position. Commissioner Landes stated that Cheryl is taking on many additional duties, and he feels that the recommendation of $90,000 if fair. Commissioner Ryan stated that as a former Fire Chief, he understands the workload, and he agrees with the recommendation of $90,000. Commissioner McCallister moved the set the interim City Manager pay to $86,000. The motion failed due to the lack of a second. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to set the interim City Manager pay at $90,000. Ayes: Aska, Landes, Ryan. Nays: McCallister, Sands. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Landes stated that he attended a comedy performance at the Opera House that was great. Commissioner Landes warned people to watch for pedestrians while driving since the weather will be getting warmer.

Commissioner McCallister stated that the orientation and facilitator on Saturday were very good.

Commissioner Ryan concurred with Commissioner McCallister's assessment of the orientation. The Citizen's Fire academy will begin soon, and it is good that high school students will be attending who are considering the career.

Commissioner Sands stated that a neighbor of his experienced a sewer backup. There were 5 inches of sewage in the basement, and a lot was lost. City Manager Vernon stated that private insurance by the property owner is the answer; the City is responsible when the City causes the backup; many are due to natural events.

Commissioner McCallister stated that his experience is that a backflow preventer can solve many of these problems; the City needs to discuss options. Mayor Aska stated that the employees need to understand that citizens become very frustrated when these backups occur. Commissioner Sands stated that the citizens need to be educated on these issues.

Mayor Aska stated that the City wide cleanup was a great event.

STAFF COMMENTS

Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the Water Plant will hold an Open House, and a meal will be provided to those who attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 21st DAY OF MAY AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MAY 7, 2013.

Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

Cecil Aska, Mayor