

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

June 4, 2013

7:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, June 4, 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: Interim City Manager Beatty, City Attorney Waters, and City Clerk Ficken.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Appropriations Ordinance A-11 dated-May 14-May 28 2013 in the amount of \$725,168.75. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the City Commission Minutes for May 21, 2013. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of May payroll. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of approval of License No. DACA41-3-13-2056 between City of Junction City and Department of the Army. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of Repairs - Purchase of a Transfer Pump at the SW Wastewater Treatment Plant. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration for the waiver of fees for use of tables and chairs for the gym at City Hall for the Health Department for a Breast Cancer Awareness Event on October 5, 2013. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Ordinance S-3120 followed by consideration of Resolution R-2729, General Obligation Refunding series 2013A. Interim City Manager Beatty

stated that the City received great news that the refinancing resulted in a total return larger than anticipated \$625,000. Commissioner McCallister stated that he hopes the community becomes aware of this good news that this transaction was successful. City Clerk Ficken asked if approval of the Resolution and Ordinance presented in this item would be the only actions necessary for the Commission to proceed. City Attorney Waters stated that the Ordinance and Resolution tie in the agreements and authorize the whole transaction. Commissioner Sands asked what information was updated in the new bond materials. Mr. Prichard of Gilmore & Bell stated that the changes finalized the numbers as a result of the sale. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve Special Ordinance S-3120, and Resolution R-2729. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Resolution R-2730 approval of redemption of Coronado Park Residence, LC Industrial Revenue Bonds. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve Resolution R-2730. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of a letter to Kansas Attorney General and Junction City Police Department to automatically postpone until January 1, 2014 effectiveness of HB 2052. Chief Brown stated that the City in accordance with HB 2052 will be directed to develop a security plan. Mayor Aska stated that the postponement will allow for funding of security measures. Commissioner McCallister stated that it will be important to see how other communities address their security issues. Chief Brown stated that this is something that will impact every City in Kansas. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to postpone the effect of HB 2052 until January 1, 2014 by providing notice to the Attorney General and Chief of Police. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of service contracts with HDR Engineering, Inc. Commissioner McCallister asked if any of the proposed projects are being required for KDHE compliance. Public Services Director McCaffery stated that some items will be required in the future; the issue regarding biosolids is critical. Currently the water & sewer fund generates \$1.6 to \$1.7 million annually to fund repairs. Commissioner McCallister stated that huge amounts of money are required when the State decides to change the law. Public Services Director McCaffery stated that one of the current sewage treatment processes, aeration, is energy intensive, and that energy cost is passed to the City from Veolia. An HDR representative stated that by packaging improvements together, the City can receive a better return on investment at the water and sewer plants. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the City has made investments, in the water and sewer system, but those investments were in distribution, and not at the plants; the engineers will need to identify projects. Commissioner McCallister is pleased that the City is planning for these improvements. Commissioner Landes inquired as to the timeline for the plans. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated finalization is planned 120 days out. Interim City Manager Beatty reminded the Commission that they would still approve all projects larger than \$10,000. Mayor

Aska inquired as to whether the payments would be made as a result of the increased water and wastewater rates. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the water and wastewater fund would be used. Commissioner Sands questioned the need for two treatment plants in Junction City. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that Burns & McDonald studied the issue, and it would have been more expensive to pump the waste than build the SWWWTP. Commissioner Sands stated that his top priority is to fix the smell for the residents on Grant Ave. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve service contracts with HDR in an amount not to exceed 210,328.10. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the approval of the contract with RDG Planning & Design, Omaha, Nebraska, for consulting services in the update to the Comprehensive Plan for Junction City and Geary County, Kansas. Planning & Zoning Director Yearout stated that the previous plan had a lot of vision but not implementation, and left too much to the firm. Commissioner Sands asked if a new survey would be conducted. Planning & Zoning Director Yearout stated that the 2012 Direction finder survey will be built upon. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the contract with RDG Planning & Design as described. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion of 2013 budget schedule. The Commission discussed their schedules and determined that budget work sessions would be held on June 19 & 20, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. located at the City Commission Room.

Discussion of City Manager recruiter selection. Interim City Manager Beatty provided information to the Commission regarding savings that could be provided by Austin Peters Group to the Commission for reduced services. Also, she clarified that the amount approved for Austin Peters Group services would not include advertising. Commissioner Landes stated that he believes face to face meetings are valuable, and the cost is acceptable given the importance of the decision. Mayor Aska stated that the additional services such as the writing assignment are valuable. Commissioner McCallister stated that it is good to have dialogue.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Landes stated that he and Commissioner McCallister participated in the fire academy; it was a great event and helpful. It also exposed High School students to the profession. Commissioner Landes thanked and commended the Police Department on the ADABAG operation. Commissioner Landes stated that the Brigade is a great baseball organization, and a great group of people. There was a lot of planning tasks approved by the Commission tonight; it's time for the City to look forward and not at our feet.

Commissioner McCallister stated that the Fire Academy was great; he would like to spend some time with the Police Department. It seems that a lot of grass is growing out of control. Please provide addresses so that the problem can be addressed. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the City contracted mower will be working to catch up.

Mayor Aska stated that it was a great weekend. He enjoyed working to bring the Brigade to the community, and the community stepped up to make it happen. When the bi-planes flew over the field, the accomplishment felt like it sunk in.

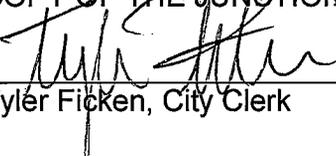
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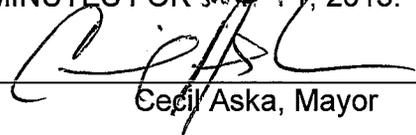
Interim City Manager Beatty stated that a budget report would be available next week.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR June 4th, 2013.


Tyler Ficken, City Clerk


Cecil Aska, Mayor