

**CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

April 1, 2014

7:00p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 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 Smith, Assistant City Manager Beatty, City Attorney Logan, and City Clerk Ficken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

John Stewart of Spruce Street stated that there are articles stating that people who insist on property ownership in the City as hecklers. Mr. Stewart stated that he believes there is animosity between the Commission and citizens.

Deb Johnston of 1320 McFarland stated that she spoke to Assistant City Manager Beatty and City Clerk Ficken regarding City revenues and expenditures.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-6 dated March 12, 2014 March 25, 2014 in the amount of \$965,690.82. Commissioner Ryan moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of City Commission Minutes for March 18, 2014. Commissioner Ryan 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 Award of Bid Public Works Vehicle Minor Repairs and Repainting. Commissioner Ryan moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of February 2014 ambulance contractual obligation adjustments and bad debt adjustments. Commissioner Ryan 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 of Payroll #5 and #6 for the month of March 2014. Commissioner Ryan moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to

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approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Approval to destroy or cannibalize property that is no longer useful. Commissioner Ryan moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service Proclamation. Mayor Aska presented the proclamation.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing to consider budget amendments. Mayor Aska opened the public hearing. There were no comments during the hearing. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to close the public hearing. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Consideration of 2014 budget amendments. Assistant City Manager Beatty stated that she is bringing this amendment to the Commission earlier than normal because otherwise it would appear that the City is running deficits on financial reports; typically the budget is amended in December. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to approve the 2014 budget amendments as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of Award of Bid of Water Supplies Materials - Public Works. Mayor Aska asked how far along the City is on the meter replacement project. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the project is approximately 2/3 completed; the City is beginning to run low on the components to make additional replacements. Commissioner Landes asked if water revenues have increased as a result of the more accurate measurement. Mr. McCaffery stated that he needs a 6 month read to complete the analysis, and the winter is not a good time to measure. Mr. McCaffery did report that water loss has been reduced within the system from 31% to now 22%; water lost during main breaks, and hydrant flushing is now also being accounted for. Commissioner McCallister asked if City staff is completing the meter replacement work. Mr. McCallister stated that City staff is installing most of the meters, but in some instances, on the large meters, the City is hiring the work done. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to award bid for water supplies materials to

Salina Supply in an amount not to exceed \$182,721.83. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of lease purchase financing agreement for loaders and sanitation truck. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve a lease purchase financing agreement with Santander for front end loaders and sanitation truck at a rate of 1.84% and a term of 5 years. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Discussion of acquisition of property and attorney client privilege. Mayor Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to adjourn into executive session to discuss issues of acquisition of property and attorney client privilege at 7:35 p.m. for a time not to exceed thirty minutes. At 8:05 p.m. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Ryan to adjourn from executive session where no action was taken, and no decisions were made. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Landes stated that spring is here and it has been a rough winter on the streets; revenue will be needed for repairs in addition to debt payments. The writing is on the wall, and the City cannot cut its way out of this problem. If you have ideas to share on how to meet the need, please share them.

Commissioner Sands stated that he attended LKM finance training in Beloit, KS. Commissioner Sands stated that he is pleased to have City Manager Smith with the community. Commissioner Sands stated that he witnessed some of the City's officers in action, and they were very professional. The new Opera House director is having clinics provided by the artists who come through the Opera House. Commissioner Sands stated that there are many interesting activities in the City and region; he recently experienced the Dinner Train.

Mayor Aska stated that the Attorney General has not yet approved the Transit Authority agreement, and funding cannot be approved until the AG office signs off.

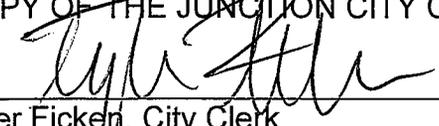
### **STAFF COMMENTS**

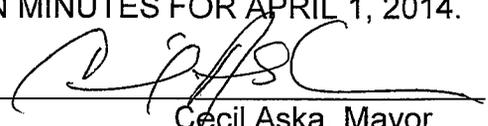
City Manager Smith stated that the State of the City address will be at the Opera House on April 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

### **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 15TH DAY OF APRIL AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR APRIL 1, 2014.

  
Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

  
Cecil Aska, Mayor