CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

June 17, 2014 7:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, June 17, 2014 with Mayor Michael Ryan presiding.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Larry Powell stated that he is opposed to the closing of parks so that they can be moved to the west side of town. He stated that the parks are used, and it would cost too much to move the equipment.

Representative Rothlisberg stated that he will be holding a meeting at the 12th Street Community Center. He stated that the Legislature is addressing student activity fees and tuition for service members.

Jack Lee McDonald stated that a fun fill day will be held on June 21st for fellowship & Food at the Buffalo Soldier memorial park.

Larry Johnson stated that he would like the Commission to amend the City design standards to allow 36 feet driveways for homes with 3 car garages. Mr. Johnson stated that it is becoming popular. Mr. Johnson stated that he is having difficulty getting his building permits because too much time is being spent on blights.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-11 dated—May 29-Jun 10 2014 in the amount of $1,297,029.07. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of City Commission Minutes for June 3, 2014. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval of the noise waiver, animal ordinance waiver, Resident, Transient, and Itinerant and Peddler waiver, authorization to discharge fireworks, street closure and authorization to ban bicycles and skateboards for Sundown Salute for July 2-5, 2014 in Heritage Park. Commissioner Aska moved,

seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of May 2014 ambulance contractual obligation adjustments and bad debt adjustments. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration and approval of request to block off Kadence Lane between Sage and Bryce Drive from 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm on July 4, 2014 for a neighborhood block party. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to table the item. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Update on municipal court project & consideration to let for bid. Bruce McMillan provided an update to the Commission on the Municipal Court project. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve letting the Municipal Court project out to bid. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of the Rejection of Bids for Wastewater System Immediate News Bid Package #5. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the bid received should be rejected so that directs contacts can be made to try to secure a better bid. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to reject bids for Wastewater System Immediate Needs Bid Package #5. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of Water and Sewer Rate Increases and Adoption of Water/ Wastewater Financial Business Plan. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that Raftelis worked with HDR to put together a program that would fund repairs while creating smooth and steady increases that can be managed. Commissioner McCaffery stated that it is important for the public to understand why the City is doing this; the City has a duty and obligation to provide safe water. The Raftelis representative stated that in the past, the federal government would provide large grants to pay for large infrastructure improvements; that has changed. Commissioner Ryan asked how long improvements will last. The Raftelis representative stated that some improvements could last as long as 100 years, but a 10 year business plan is the longest recommended period due to the potential for changes in technology and State & Federal regulations. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve Ordinance G-1148. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve Resolution R-2756

adoption of the City's Water and Wastewater Financial Business Plan. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of an Amendment to the City Engineering Design Standards – Driveways. Commissioner Sands asked why the additional six feet is not a good idea. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the additional width allows residents to enter their driveways at a higher speed; the Institute of Traffic Engineers recommends narrow entrances in an effort to slow traffic for safety. Mr. McCaffery stated that developers can flare the driveway out to 36 feet on their own property. Mr. Johnson stated that Manhattan allows driveway entrances to be 36 feet. The commission requested to receive additional information on this to learn more about the standards of other communities. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to table the item. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion by City Commission on Annexation. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Mayor Ryan to rescind action taken not to move forward with a plan document for extension of services. Ayes: Landes, Ryan. Nays: Aska, McCallister. Abstention: Sands. Motion failed.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner McCallister stated that he is interested in broadening the scope of the annexation discussion.

Commissioner Sands stated that they water line break was an unfortunate and unplanned event.

Commissioner Aska stated that the Juneteenth event was good, and was a larger celebration this year.

Commissioner Landes stated that people need to stop buying animals and adopt from the animal shelter; animals from the shelter make great pets. Commissioner Landes stated that from his perspective, his article on annexation was well received by the community. Commissioner Landes stated that people need to pay for the services they are receiving. Commissioner Landes stated that he understands that promises were made previously that did not come to fruition, but the study is an opportunity to move forward with information.

Mayor Ryan stated that Becky Keating is in need of a double lung transplant; he experienced this same struggle with his son, and he understands how difficult it can be to open your life up to the public. He stated that when you are faced with a situation like this, you find out who your friends are. The Brigade is having the event Bats for Becky to raise funds, and the Fire Department is holding a benefit run with proceeds going to Blessings for Becky.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 1ST DAY OF JULY AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR JUNE 17, 2014.

Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

Michael L. Ryan, Mayor