

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

December 16, 2014

7:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, December 16, 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

Daniel Zeller, Lynn Jones, and Shawn Augustin spoke the Commission regarding the St. Xavier Alumni Basketball game.

John Stewart stated that rates at Rolling Meadows need to be increased to cover the costs of the operation. Also, he would like the Commission to Consider a taxpayer rate.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-23 for November 25, 2014 to December 5, 2014 in the amount of \$684,154.22. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of December 2, 2014 City Commission Minutes & Special City Commission Meeting Minutes for November 13 & 20, 2014. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Presentation for Ron Keys - Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center Full-Time Law Enforcement Officer Certification. Mayor Ryan and Chief Tim Brown made presentation recognizing Ron Keys.

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APPOINTMENTS

Consideration of an appointment to the Economic Development Advisory Committee. Commissioner Sands stated that he liked all of the resumes; and he encourages people to continue to come forward. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to appoint Graham Foust to a 3 year term. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing for 2014 budget amendments. Mayor Ryan opened the public hearing. John Stewart asked how this will impact the budget. Finance Director Beatty stated that the funds received additional revenue, and the amendment would allow the dollars to be spent in 2014. Commissioner Aska stated that the Library budget is on target. Mayor Ryan closed the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of approval of 2014 budget amendments. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve the 2014 budget amendment as proposed. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration to allow City Attorney Logan to draft legislation regarding land bank law. City Attorney Logan stated that it will take some time to receive a response to the request for an AG opinion. In the meantime her recommendation is to peruse legislation to clarify the land bank statute which does not explicitly allow re-amortization of special assessments. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to authorize the city attorney to draft proposed legislation for the land bank state statutes that would allow cities to re-amortize special assessments after transfer to land bank following a tax sale. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion and consideration of Sunday liquor sales. City Attorney Logan stated that passing this ordinance would be similar to a charter ordinance and require two publications, and also not be effective until 60 days after approval. Commissioner McCallister stated that the inquiries he received were mixed 50-50; he stated that he was informed that Manhattan owners were unhappy with their law. Commissioner Landes stated that sales for the weekend at the lake are a big issue; businesses could be allowed to open based on their own preference. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to table the item. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval to award bid to Glessner Dirt Contracting for the Demolition of 604 W 4th St in the amount of \$3,860.00. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve award of bid to

Glessner Dirt Contracting for demolition of 604 W. 4th St. in the amount of \$3,860.00. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval of Resolution 2775, setting a public hearing date of February 3, 2015 to address condemnation of 201 E 14th St. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the setting of a public hearing date of February 3, 2015 to address condemnation of 201 E 14th St. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Spin City use agreement. Commissioner Landes asked when the Roller Derby season begins. Lacy with the Roller Derby group stated that it begins February 21, 2015 this year, but becomes increasingly busy in the summer months. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve the Spin City Use agreement as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Rolling Meadows Usage Fees for 2015. John Bernstein expressed his concern that if fees are increased too much, it could be damaging. Commissioner McCallister commented that usage is down. Mr. Bernstein stated that deployments have had an impact, but he plans to strongly target that sector in the upcoming season. Mr. Bernstein stated that securing the new cart fleet has been a success, and word of mouth regarding the quality of the course has been beneficial. Commissioner McCallister asked what the current rating at the course is. Mr. Bernstein stated that the course is as good or better than when it was previously rated 4-star; there is a cost associated with receiving a new rating. Commissioner Landes stated that City taxpayers need to be supported at the course; he does not believe the threat that people will leave if there is a non-resident rate. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve the proposed 2015 Rolling Meadows Usage Fees. Ayes: Aska, McCallister. Nays: Landes, Ryan, Sands. Motion failed.

Consideration and Approval of Kansas Department of Transportation Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement. Commissioner McCallister inquired regarding the light on Old US 77. Mr. McCaffery stated that it is a temporary light. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve Kansas Department of Transportation Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval of City staff recommendation for the 2015 Street Maintenance Improvement Program. Commissioner Sands inquired regarding the Sapp Bros. entrance. Mr. McCaffery stated that KDT is going to pick up the additional work with their project in the area. Commissioner Landes asked if lower fuel prices will result in improved project bids. Mr. McCaffery stated that it is a positive development that would allow for more projects to be completed. Commissioner McCallister stated that micro surfacing has served its purpose but

he is pleased to see the transition to mill & overlay. Commissioner McCallister stated that a section of Spring Valley Rd. is failing due to heavy traffic by school buses. Mr. McCaffery stated the section of road on Spring Valley will require an expensive reconstruct. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve the staff recommended 2015 Street Maintenance Improvement Program. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and approval of a Request for Proposal - Phone System - Police Department. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to purchase the Nex-Tech Toshiba phone system as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Authorization to negotiate the sale of equipment for a 1989 fire department ladder truck, for no less than \$15,000. Fire Chief Royse stated that the apparatus cannot be in use at another Fire Department but could be used for commercial applications such as a tree cutting or sign operation; it may be sold for use in Asia. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve the negotiation for sale of the 1989 fire department surplus ladder truck for no less than \$15,000. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Request to declare December 26th as a city employee holiday. Finance Director Beatty stated that declaring the day a holiday would result in approximately \$16,000 in personnel costs which would impact the 2015 budgets. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to not declare December 26, 2014 as a City employee holiday. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Sands. Nays: Ryan. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Sands informed people of the March Chamber Dinner and wished people a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner McCallister stated that he intends to reach out to owners regarding the Sunday liquor sales issue. He enjoyed the good discussion on the golf course.

Commissioner Aska stated that the City has accomplished a lot, and it takes patience and perseverance. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Landes stated that the 3rd AmeriCorps group installed signs at Helland Park; it is a great place to exercise, and it will take you to another place not like Kansas. He thanked Randy and Jodie Testa for their work with the park. Commissioner Landes stated that he appreciates the community and he is

pleased that faith is being restored in the community by observing, planning, and doing.

Mayor Ryan stated that serving on the Commission has been eye opening, and it is different than watching on television; he is becoming increasingly comfortable with the position.

STAFF COMMENTS

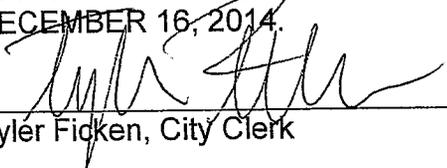
Interim City Manager Beatty thanked the City staff for a successful year; the City staff works hard.

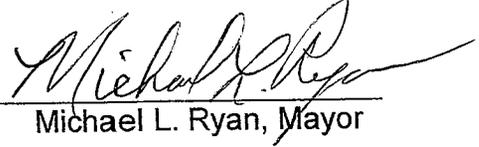
Fire Chief Royse stated that 3 paramedics recently passed their state boards and they are thankful to the Commission for their support.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to adjourn at 9:25 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 6TH DAY OF JANUARY AS THE
OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR
DECEMBER 16, 2014.


Tyler Ficken, City Clerk


Michael L. Ryan, Mayor