

**CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

March 17, 2015

7:00p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 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: City Manager Dinkel, Assistant City Manager Beatty, City Attorney Logan, and City Clerk Ficken.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-6 dated-Feb 25th-Mar 10th 2015 in the amount of \$662,616.72. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of City Commission Minutes for March 3, 2015. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of February 2015 ambulance contractual obligation adjustments and bad debt adjustments. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Consideration and approval of an Award of Bid - 2015 Cargo Van and Declaration as Surplus property 1997 Ford Econoline Van - Police Department Animal Control Van. Commissioner Landes asked if staff had looked into purchasing a used vehicle. Chief Brown replied yes, but the savings were not substantial provided the benefits of the warranty. City Manager Dinkel stated that the local dealership will prepare the vehicle. Commissioner Sands inquired whether there were any confiscated vehicles that could be used. Chief Brown stated that the City does not often receive many vans via forfeiture. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve award of bid for 2015 Cargo Van as presented and declaration as surplus property a 1997 Ford Econoline Van. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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Bid approval request to Osage Ambulances for a 2016 Osage Type III Ambulance in the amount of \$224,191.00. Chief Royse stated that the current ambulance would be used in the event of future ice rescue operations. Also, the unit could be used in the event that other units are not in service. Commissioner Landes stated that he is concerned that only one bid was received. Battalion Chief Rook explained that due to the dimensions of fire station #1, the unit is necessarily unique in size, and only a small number are produced resulting in the low number of interested bidders. Commissioner McCallister asked when the City can expect to receive the unit. Battalion Chief Rook stated that delivery would occur in approximately 300 days. Commissioner Landes stated that he is concerned about the narrow specifications resulting in few bidders. Mr. Rook stated that the ambulance is the same model previously purchased. Commissioner McCallister asked if the ice rescue equipment will be used regionally. Chief Royse replied yes, the JCFD will respond in the region. Commissioner Sands asked if the ambulances can be reconditioned. Mr. Rook stated that the department gets a lot of use out of the units but ultimately it comes down to the condition of the box. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve the lease purchase of a 2016 Osage Type III in an amount not to exceed \$224,191.00. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Award of Bid Fertilizer and Herbicide Application Junction City Parks. (Bid NO - PR 15-001) for a total amount of \$15,682.97. Commissioner Landes stated that the parks have looked great. Commissioner Sands asked if the application is liquid or solid. Parks & Recreation Director Lazear stated that the herbicide is liquid and fertilizer is solid. Commissioner McCallister asked if the application could be completed in house. Mr. Lazear stated that the vendors have the equipment, personnel, and training to complete the work. Assistant City Manager Beatty stated that there is a risk to consider when taking on that duty such as worker's compensation issues and drift to other properties. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve award of bid to Tru Green Inc. in the amount of \$15,682.97. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration to authorize two new bank accounts. Commissioner McCallister requested clarification on the wind damage, and at what point the City holds funds. City Manager Dinkel stated that there is a 70% damage threshold, and so minor incidents will not be impacted by the recent law change. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve a bank account for the City insurance proceeds program and an account for the receipt of federal drug forfeiture funds. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Sands thanked the public for attending the forum. Commissioner Sands promoted an event at the United Methodist Church.

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Commissioner McCallister stated that that it is important that people come to speak to the Commission during public comment; the thoughts of the community need to be heard. Commissioner McCallister added that people need to get to the polls on April 7, 2015 to vote. Commissioner McCallister stated that the Commission has done a good job, and there may not always be agreement. A lot of work is being done behind the scenes, and the City has grown with professionalism.

Commissioner Aska stated that people are looking for support and votes, the election does matter. Commissioner Aska stated that the community is moving in the right direction. Commissioner Aska stated that his service on the Commission consisted of some short years and some long days. He stated that he looks forward to hearing more from the radio and newspaper about the election.

Commissioner Landes stated that the community is headed in the right direction, and the debt has been greatly decreased. The City is functioning normally, City staff have managed dollars, and the land bank will be important moving forward. There is a long journey ahead which will require work to clear titles and cross t's and dot i's.

Mayor Ryan echoed the professionalism of the City, and the work as a City Commissioner has been very enlightening over the past two years. People need to remember to vote, pay attention to the news, and track where their money is being spent.

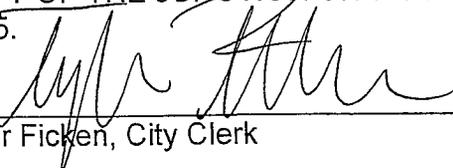
#### **STAFF COMMENTS**

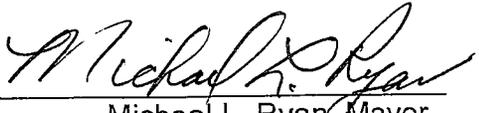
City Manager Dinkel stated that the County has not received a petition on the issue of Sunday Liquor sales; the deadline is March 19, 2015. Additionally, Mr. Dinkel stated that electric rates are expected to climb 7.99% which would be a large expense for the City.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 7TH DAY OF APRIL AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MARCH 17, 2015.

  
Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

  
Michael L. Ryan, Mayor

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