

**CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

April 3, 2012

7:00p.m.

The regular meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, April 4, 2012 with Mayor Pat Landes presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Cecil Aska, Scott Johnson, Pat Landes, Jim Sands, and Jack Taylor. Staff present was: City Manager Vernon, City Attorney Logan, and City Clerk Tyler Ficken.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-6 2012 dated February 28<sup>th</sup> – 2012 through March 12, 2012 in the amount of \$1,905,061.81. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the March 20, 2012 Commission Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Sands stated that the minutes should reflect that City attorney was present via teleconference at the March 20, 2012 meeting. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of agreement with sponsor of National Biplane Fly In Event scheduled for May 31 – June 3, 2012. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of transfer of title for 832 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street property. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of transfer of title for the 109 Snell property. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of transfer of title for W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street property. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of a Cereal Malt Beverage license to Negril Caribbean Restaurant LLC, locate at 127 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. for the 2012 calendar year. Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor, Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Presentation from Carter Oliver of the VFW to Fireman Jeremy Ross and Officer Nick Blake. Mayor Landes and Carter Oliver presented the awards.

Presentation for Detective Josh Brown KNOA 2011 Officer of the Year. Police Chief Brown and Mayor Landes made the presentation.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Consideration to appoint Mary Cay Stauffer to the Community Action, Inc. board for a term of three years. Commissioner Taylor moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve the appointment of Mary Cay Stauffer the Community Action, Inc. board for a term of three years. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Consideration of options to restore and maintain Riverwalk Pond. City Manager Vernon presenting. Commissioner Aska asked what the State would want in the application. Leon Osbourn with Kaw Valley Engineering stated that the state would make a review. Mayor Landes asked how long the approval process would take. Mr. Osbourn stated that his guess would be two weeks to a month. Commissioner Taylor asked if an environmental study would be needed. Mr. Osbourn stated that the appropriate stated wildlife agencies would be contacted. Commissioner Sands asked if water could be pumped temporarily to see if the pond holds water. Mr. Osbourn stated that the ramp has eroded away again, and there is a lot of erosion. Commissioner Johnson stated that the City is being held hostage on water rights, and he would like to see the City work to get additional water rights. Commissioner Taylor moved, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to deny option #3. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to complete application with the state for the water circulation option, and pursue additional water rights. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Consideration of bid for (1) 2012 Type III Ambulance. Fire Chief Mike Steinfort presenting. Chief Steinfort stated that the ambulance that will be replaced is 12

years old, and has 146,000 miles. Commissioner Johnson asked if the ambulance would have another use besides being traded in the \$5,000. Chief Steinfort stated that the last ambulance was sold to the Geary county Emergency Services Dept. City Manager Vernon stated that the maintenance on this vehicle would remain expensive, and he will ask at the Department meeting if there is a City use for the vehicle. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to award the bid as requested with the trade in for the amount of \$153,570.00. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of award of contract for collection agency services. Finance Director Beatty Presenting. Commissioner Aska asked what the rate was for collection. Finance Director Beatty stated that the fee is 22% on first placement. Mayor Landes asked what the current recovery rate is. Finance Director Beatty stated that information has not been collected, but that the City writes off \$5,000 to \$10,000 per month. Finance Director Beatty stated that 22% for three years is a good rate. Commissioner Aska stated that in the future he would like to see a report on the amount collected by this method. Commissioner Sands stated that it is still a good practice to work with customers on payments plans before payments are missed. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Johnson to award contract to CBK for collection agency services for a term of three years. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Sands provided a reminder about Rely for Life activities. Commissioner Sands stated that the Library could help you find grants from private organizations with a software program they have. Commissioner reminded the Community that the citywide cleanup is on April 21, 2012; Captain Leithoff should be contacted for additional information.

Commissioner Aska congratulated the KU basketball team and blames officiating for their loss.

Commissioner Taylor stated that home sales are up 25% from this time last year.

Mayor Landes wanted to remind everyone that the budget process will begin soon, and discussion on Public Works will begin as well.

### **STAFF COMMENTS**

City Manager Vernon wanted to remind everyone that a Health Fair will occur at the municipal building on April 5, 2012. There will be blood pressure checks. One of the great challenges facing the City is the rising costs of healthcare.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Johnson, Landes, Sands, Taylor. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR APRIL 3, 2012.

  
Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

  
Mayor