

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 6, 2014 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Holton met at 7:00 P.M. in City Hall on Monday evening, October 6, 2014. Commissioners Twila White, Tim Morris, and Dan Brenner and Mayor Bob Dieckmann were present. Commissioner Erich Campbell was absent.

Mayor Bob Dieckmann called the regular meeting to order.

Minutes of the September 15, 2014 meeting were approved.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between September 16, 2014 and October 6, 2014, were presented to the Commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance #2119. Dan Brenner made the motion and Twila White seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all, yes.

WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT EXTENSION: Bret Bauer, City Manager, explained to the commission that our trash service contract allows for one year extensions past the original contract date with the agreement of both parties. Waste Management has expressed interest in extending the contract for another year with no changes. Twila White made a motion to approve a contract extension for Waste Management for residential trash service from 10-1-2014 to 9-30-2015. Tim Morris seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

BECK-BOOKMAN LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT: Candee Jacobs, Beck-Bookman Librarian, submitted to the commission her board's recommendation to fill an opening on the Beck-Bookman Library Board. Fred Veyna was recommended to fill the vacancy of Leslee Bowers, who completed the limit of two terms. Tim Morris made a motion to approve the appointment of Fred Veyna to the Beck-Bookman Library Board. Dan Brenner seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Bret Bauer informed the commissioners that Tom Bishop may be ready to present the legal documents for the new senior housing project at the next meeting. He also informed the commission that the final plat for Wal-Mart could possibly come up at the next meeting also.

Twila White noted that the Meadowlark Extension Agent has expressed that the parade route for next year's

4-H parade may have to take a different route with the school construction. She also asked if there was a better way to explain why the October 1 bills were so high. She had a few people ask her and she had seen on a social media site people were talking about it. Teresa Riley, City Clerk, explained that if people will just come in to city hall, staff can usually explain the bills so that the customer can understand and questions they have. The problem begins when people complain but don't ever try to figure out why their bill is the way it is.

Tim Morris asked about whether city vehicles that had been taken out of commission were sold at a recent community consignment auction. Bauer told him they had, but we did not have a tally on what the final sale prices were. He would report on that when it was available. Morris asked to be kept better informed on everyday operations.

Meeting adjourned.

Teresa Riley
City Clerk