

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 17, 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, March 17, 2014. Commissioners Tim Morris, Hal Cochren, Dan Brenner and Erich Campbell were present. Mayor Bob Dieckmann called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the March 3, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Harold Kennedy thanked the city, Rex Cameron and the street crew for keeping the streets the best he has seen under the weather conditions we had this winter.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between March 4, 2014 and March 17, 2014, were presented to the Commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance #2106. Tim Morris moved and Hal Cochren seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all, yes.

FINAL PLAT – WALMART PROPERTY: The final plat for the land proposed for the new Walmart building was approved by the Planning Commission on February 24, 2014. Zach Shaw from Carlson Consulting was present to answer questions concerning the final plat. Dan Brenner asked if the gas tanks on lot 2 will be buried. Shaw answered that they might be buried, he was unsure as he was involved in the plat. He did say that there would be a detention pond to catch run off from the parking lot that will release it back to the creek slower than actual run off will go into it, so as not to interrupt the flow of water. Erich Campbell asked about a variance granted by the Zoning Appeals Board. Kerwin McKee, Assistant City Manager, informed him it was for a parking variance from two stalls per 200 square foot of floor space to two stalls per 249 square foot of floor space. Campbell also asked about the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) approval for the entrance. Shaw said they are still in process with KDOT. Campbell asked if there was a Plan B if their entrance isn't approved. Shaw said there is no Plan B. Brenner asked if KDOT is responsible for speed limits. Shaw said they will be doing a speed study at some point. Campbell commented that he felt they were moving too fast on this proposal. Dan Brenner moved to accept the final plat for the proposed Walmart building. Hal Cochren seconded the motion. Vote thereon: Tim Morris, Brenner, Cochren, Bob Dieckmann, yes; Campbell, no. Motion carried.

SOUTHSIDE LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL: Hal Cochren moved to approve the license renewal for Southside Liquor Store. Erich Campbell seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

KMEA DIRECTOR #2 APPOINTMENT: The city needs to reappoint a director to the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency's board of directors. Tim Morris moved to reappoint Ira Harrison to Director #2 position. Erich Campbell seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

BID AWARD: Several months ago it was discussed at a workshop about replacing some of the city's aging fleet of trucks. City staff reviewed the vehicle maintenance history and targeted vehicles to be replaced and solicited bids from local vehicle dealerships. Tim Morris confirmed that the money to purchase these vehicles was currently in city funds and had been being saved for several years. Teresa Riley, City Clerk, confirmed that we have the cash on hand to purchase these vehicles from our Equipment Reserve fund and had been putting proceeds from the city's share of the county's special sales tax in this fund since it started back up in 2013. City staff will also be selling by sealed bids six vehicles and the proceeds from those sales will go back into the Equipment Reserve Fund. Bids were received as follows:

	Clark Chevrolet	Foster Ford
1/2 Ton P/U 4WD	\$25,523.00	\$21,350.00
3/4 Ton P/U 2WD 4DR	\$30,464.00	\$26,800.00
3/4 Ton P/U 4WD	\$26,900.00	\$22,300.00
1 Ton P/U 4WD No Bed	\$26,984.00	\$27,570.00
1 Ton P/U 4WD Utility Bed	\$35,975.00	\$35,832.00
3/4 Ton P/U 4WD	\$26,486.00	\$21,950.00

Erich Campbell made a motion to accept the bids from Foster Ford for the 1/2 Ton and 3/4 Ton pickup not to exceed \$92,400.00 and from Clark Chevrolet for the 1 Ton trucks not to exceed \$62,959. Hal Cochren seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

In other business:

Bret Bauer, City Manager, informed the commission that the spring Citywide Clean Up is scheduled for May 3 at 4th and Dakota from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Everything will be the same as usual, including the Jackson County Hazardous Material Trailer available for items we do not accept in our bins.

Erich Campbell reminded everyone that advanced voting had started for the city election on April 1.

Tim Morris moved to go into Executive Session for 25 minutes for non-elected personnel. Erich Campbell seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes. After 25 minutes Dan Brenner moved to return to regular session. Hal Cochren seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes. Hal Cochren moved to return to Executive Session for 10 minutes for non-elected personnel. Dan Brenner seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes. Tim Morris moved to return to regular session. Dan Brenner seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Meeting was adjourned.

Teresa Riley
City Clerk