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CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

March 4, 2003

7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Junction City City Commission was held on Tuesday, March 4, 2003 with Mayor David Bossemeyer presiding..

The following members of the Commission were present: Kay Blanken, David Bossemeyer, Richard Pinaire, Reynard Wright and Mick Wunder. . Staff present were: City Manager Rodney D. Barnes, City Attorney Charles Zimmerman, City Engineer Thomas E. Neal and City Clerk Colleen Woodruff.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve a payment to Ben Kitchens Painting Company in the amount of \$7,991.00. Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Wright, Wunder. Nays: None. Abstain: Pinaire. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Item 3bc-Appropriation Ordinance A-08 was removed from the consent agenda and Item 3c1-pay estimate to Barber construction was removed to be placed on regular agenda.

Commissioner Wunder moved, seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve the consent agenda as amended Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Pinaire, Wright, Wunder. Motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- a. Commission Minutes
 - 1. Commission Minutes – February 18, 2003
- b. Approval of Appropriation Ordinance:
 - 1. Payroll Ordinance P-4 dated February 21, 2003 in the amount of \$157,096.53
 - 2. A-7 dated February 21, 2003 in the amount of \$94,134.66.
- c. Request for payment:
 - 1. Pay Estimate #2 to Smoky Hill LLC in the amount of 27,544.27 for Riley Manor improvements
- d. Consideration of a request for a waiver for serving alcoholic beverages at the YMCA St. Patrick's Day fund raising event in the Municipal Building on March 14, 2003
- e. Award of bid for lease purchase financing for the construction of the Kansas Air Center maintenance hangar to the low bidder, First National Bank at an interest rate of 5.49%.
- f. Consideration of resolution R 1833 installing two (2) street lights for the intersection of McFarland Road and Navajo Street.

- g. The award of bid for mowing parks in the amount of \$28,920.00, public properties in the amount of \$39,100.00 and blights at a cost of \$50.00 per lot or a partial lot of \$10.00/15 minutes, \$30.../45 minutes and \$40.00/60 minutes to the low bidder, F&R Services, 920 Spring Valley Road, Junction City, Ks 66441.

Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Wunder to approve Appropriation 08 dated February 28, 2003 in the amount of \$670,395.58. The appropriation included a payment to Ben Kitchens Painting. Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Wright, Wunder. Nays: None. Abstain: Pinaire. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wunder moved, seconded by Commissioner Blanken to approve pay estimate #1 to Barber Construction in the amount of \$50,340.60 for the convention center site improvements. Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Wright, Wunder. Nays: Pinaire. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Wunder moved, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire to table any decision on the appointment of Desiree Andrews to the Recreation Board. Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Pinaire, Wright, Wunder. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wunder stated that it was not in the best interest of the city boards for one person to serve on more than one.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE S-2685-REZONING OF PROPERTY -- RIVERFRONT DRIVE

Ordinance S-26⁸5 was presented on first reading.

ORDINANCE S-26⁸5

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT 116, 122, 128 AND 132 RIVERFRONT DRIVE AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS LOTS 1 THROUGH 4, BLOCK 1 RIVERFRONT PLAZA, UNIT NO. 2 ADDITION TO JUNCTION CITY, GEARY COUNTY, KANSAS; REZONING SAID PROPERTY FROM SERVICE COMMERCIAL (RM) DISTRICT TO MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (RM) DISTRICT ALL WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS.

City Engineer Neal stated that at the February 13, 2003, the MPC considered a request for rezoning approval for River Front Plaza Unit #1 Addition

to Junction city, KS. The request would change the zoning of four of the five lots in the addition from Service Commercial to Multiple family residential. The MPC recommends approval of the rezoning as requested .

Commissioner Wunder stated that the City Commissioner did not support this project as the taxes were not paid on the property and the land was scheduled to be placed in the tax sale.

Commissioner Blanken stated that if the property is rezoned and the project does not proceed that it might need to come before the Commission for another rezoning.

Mayor Bossemeyer stated that he had a problem with changing the zoning before a project is started on the property.

Commissioner Wunder moved, seconded by Commissioner Blanken to not approve the rezoning of the Riverfront property. Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Wright, Wunder. Nays: None. Abstain: Pinaire. Motion carried.

AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS UNION CONTRACT.

City Manager Barnes stated that the City currently has 4 vacancies in the Fire Department and one Firefighter/EMT on active military duty. Because of the budget concerns for this year, the staff determined that before a decision was made to fill the vacancies, a discussion should be held with local #3309 to consider options for reducing the annual cost of the fire department's operation.

The local has recommended reducing the minimum staffing level from (13) to twelve (12) and requesting that the vacancies all be filled, placing the authorized strength at 15 per shift. This would result in a potential overtime savings for the balance of the year. This option will be good through December 31, 2002. The City will be entering into negotiations with the local this year for a new two year contract. Chief Ryan stated the projected savings would be approximately \$75,000.

Commissioner Wunder moved, seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve the contract amendments as presented. Ayes: Bossemeyer, Pinaire, Wright, Wunder. Nays: Blanken. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wunder asked that staff monitor and see what the actual savings will be. City Manager Barnes stated that it will be tracked.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mayor Bossemeyer opened the meeting for general discussion.

There was no general discussion.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Mayor Bossemeyer opened the meeting for Commissioner comments.

Commissioner Blanken stated that she had received several complaints for the ticketing of cars parked in the front yards but supported cleaning up the community..

Commissioner Wright urged citizens to vote in the April election.

Commissioner Pinaire also urged citizens to vote. He also stated that he wanted the Police to make sure that the enforcement of the parking ordinance was understood by the citizens.

Commissioner Wunder said that he had been thanked for pushing the enforcement of the tough ordinances.

Mayor Bossemeyer thanked the City Commission candidates for attending the meeting. He also stated that it might be a good idea for the County and other cities in Geary County to look at writing a dog ordinance so all would be consistent. He also presented a check from Jean and Jim Wohler to City Manager Barnes. He received a letter from the Wohlers stating that if every citizen could spare \$13.85 and present it to the City, the \$250,000 shortfall could be raised.

STAFF COMMENTS

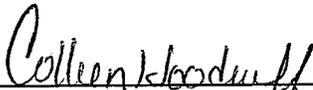
Mayor Bossemeyer opened the meeting for staff comments.

City Manager Barnes thanked the local Firefighters Union for their help during the budget problems. He also congratulated Jason Butler, the Youth Commission president for winning the State Wrestling title. The Youth Commission was successful in getting their bill for underbody lights out of committee at the State legislature. It passed the house by wide margin. He also expressed the City's sympathy to Mrs. Helper and her family on the death of the Ex-City Manager Fred Hepler.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Pinaire moved, seconded by Commissioner Wunder to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Ayes: Blanken, Bossemeyer, Pinaire, Wright, Wunder. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS ____ DAY OF MARCH, 2003, AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR March 4, 2003



Colleen Woodruff, City Clerk



David O Bossemeyer, Mayor