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**CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

May 6, 2003

7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Junction City City Commission was held on Tuesday, May 6, 2003 with Mayor Mick Wunder presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Kay Blanken, Terry Heldstab, Jack Taylor, and Mick Wunder. Absent: Ken Talley. Staff present: City Manager Rodney D. Barnes, City Attorney Charles Zimmerman, City Engineer Thomas E. Neal and Acting City Clerk Tricia Gowen.

**CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Moment of Silence
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. The consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-23 to B& K Enterprises dated May 2, 2003 in the amount of \$222.60.  
Commissioner Taylor moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to approve appropriation ordinance A-23 dated May 2, 2003 in the amount of \$222.60 to B & K Enterprises. Ayes: Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Abstain: Blanken. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- a. Approval of Commission Minutes of April 22, 2003 Special Commission Meeting.
- b. Approval of Appropriation Ordinance A-21, dated April 25, 2003 in the amount of \$127,376.12 and Appropriation Ordinance A-22 dated May 2, 2003 in the amount of \$93,150.04.
- c. The consideration of noise waivers:
  - 1. Midwest Car Audio on June 1, 2003 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the South end of the Food 4 Less parking lot.
  - 2. Dorothy Bramlage Library for June 28, 2003 at Playground Park for the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- d. Set a bid date of May 27, 2003 for bids on remodeling the Airport Maintenance Hangar.
- e. The consideration of pay estimates as follows:
  - 1. Pearson Construction, pay estimate #2 in the amount of \$79,290.00 for the airport hangar construction.
  - 2. Smokey Hill, LLC, pay estimate #4 in the amount of \$66,362.89 for Riley Manor improvements.
  - 3. Barber Construction, pay estimate #3 in the amount of \$94,275.00 for Convention Center Site improvements.
- f. The consideration of Change Order #3 in the amount of \$2,763.00 to Walters Morgan Construction for the Water Plan Filter Media Replacement project.
- g. The consideration of request to set June 17, 2003 as the date for a public hearing to consider the condemnation of the following properties:

1. Resolution R1891, 125 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street owned by Freddie Edwards, 1306 W. 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Junction City, Kansas.
  2. Resolution R1892, 716 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street owned by Thu Ngwyet Taylor, 907 W. Ash, Junction City, Kansas.
  3. Resolution R1893, 734 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street owned by Robert Webb, 512 W. Pine Street, Junction City, Kansas.
- h. The consideration of renewal of a five (5) year lease with the Junction City Little Theatre, Inc. in the amount of \$1,200.00 per year.

## APPOINTMENTS

- a. The consideration of the following appointments to the Economic Development Commission:
1. The reappointment of Charles McNeese to the Economic Development Commission for a three (3) year term. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to reappoint Charles McNeese to the Economic Development Commission. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
  2. The appointment of Mark Powers to complete the unexpired term of Bob Henderson. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to appoint Mark Powers to the Economic Development Commission. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
  3. The consideration of a joint City/County appointment of Ken Mortensen to serve a three (3) year term. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to appoint Ken Mortensen as the joint City/County representative of the Economic Development Commission. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- b. The consideration of the appointment of Steven Jones to fill the unexpired term of Teresa Rogers on the Public Housing Authority Board. The term would expire February 23, 2006. Commissioner Heldstab moved, seconded by Commissioner Blanken to approve the appointment of Steven Jones to the Public Housing Authority Board. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- c. The consideration of the appointment of William Powers to the Board of Zoning Appeals to fill the unexpired term of William Speer. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to appoint William Powers to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.

## SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- a. The presentation of award to Faith Tabernacle Church, 1015 Burke, to recognize their efforts with improving their property. Representatives of the Faith Tabernacle Church accepted the "City Commissioner's Curb Appeal Award" for the landscaping along the limestone wall on Eisenhower Drive. This award will be presented once a month.
- b. The consideration of a proclamation proclaiming May 5-11 as National Historic Preservation Week. Gaylynn Childs accepted the proclamation. The public is invited

- to visit the display for National Historic Preservation Week located in the lobby of the Municipal Building.
- c. The consideration of a proclamation proclaiming May 11-17 as Police Week. Chief Bob Story accepted the proclamation. May 15<sup>th</sup> is Peace Officers Memorial Day. The flags will be flown at half mast. The Police Department will host an open house on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Police Department (210 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street). The annual Memorial Service for Fallen Police Officers will be held in Topeka at the state capital on May 9<sup>th</sup> at noon.
  - d. The consideration of a proclamation proclaiming May 18-24 as National Public Works Week. Dennis Taggart accepted the proclamation. Ray Ibarra explained the 2003 Public Works poster that will be displayed in the Municipal Building. The public is invited to celebrate National Public Works week at the annual Public Works Picnic that will be held May 30<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Public Works Department (2324 N. Jackson).
  - e. The consideration of a proclamation proclaiming May 6-12 as National Nurses Week. Nursing representatives accepted the proclamation.
  - f. Presentation by the Mayor's Budget Task Force
    1. Public Safety – Tom Wesoloski presented ideas from the Public Safety Task Force to the Commission.
    2. Leisure Services – Scott Olson presented ideas from the Leisure Services Task Force to the Commission.
    3. Administrative Services – Van Printy presented ideas from the Administrative Services Task Force to the Commission.
    4. Public Works – Walter Germann presented ideas from the Public Works Task Force to the Commission.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

## **YOUTH COMMISSION COMMENTS**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. The consideration of award of bid for resurfacing the 5<sup>th</sup> Street tennis courts to the low bidder, Riggs Recreation Inc. in the amount of \$17,975.00. This project will be funded from the Capital Improvement Fund and was budgeted at \$40,628.00. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the bid for resurfacing the 5<sup>th</sup> Street tennis courts to Riggs Recreation Inc. in the amount of \$17,975.00. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- b. The consideration of award of bid for the West Interceptor Sewer to the low bidder, Walters Morgan Construction in the amount of \$223,132.00. A deadline to begin by June 1, 2003 has been set by an Administrative Order by the State. The project is to be completed by December 31, 2003. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the bid for the West Interceptor Sewer to Walters Morgan Construction in the amount of \$223,132.00. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. The consideration of renewal of the City's property and liability insurance to the low bidder, Arthur J. Gallagher & Company in the amount of \$250,135.00. Commissioner Heldstab moved, seconded by Commissioner Blanken to approve the renewal of the City's property and liability insurance to Arthur J. Gallagher & Company in the amount of \$250,135.00. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- b. The consideration of an agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation for Kansas Connecting Link grant for FY2004 to resurface Washington Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 18<sup>th</sup> Street. The approximate cost of the project is \$281,000.00 with the City paying 50% of the cost from the Special Highway Fund. The City will be responsible for \$140,500.00 of the project. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to approve the agreement with the Kansas Department of Transportation for Kansas Connecting Link grant for FY2004 to resurface Washington Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 18<sup>th</sup> Street. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- c. The consideration of an agreement with Junction City Wire Harness for a loan in the amount of \$100,000.00 from the City's Revolving Loan Fund. This is a 100% loan with an interest rate of 4%, along with a ten (10) job guarantee. The purpose of the loan will be to expand inventory and equipment. Commissioner Heldstab moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve the agreement with Junction City Wire Harness for a loan in the amount of \$100,000.00 from the City's Revolving Loan Fund. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- d. The consideration of Ordinance S2688 Replat of Riley Manor Addition on first reading. Riley Manor Addition was formally Calvary Park. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve Ordinance S2688 Replat of Riley Manor Addition on first reading. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.
- e. The consideration of Ordinance S2687 Replat of Cuddy's Addition on first reading. Cuddy's Addition was formally Hammond Park. Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to approve Ordinance S2687 Replat of Cuddy's Addition on first reading. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Mayor Wunder opened the meeting for general discussion.

There was no general discussion.

## **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Mayor Wunder opened the meeting for Commissioner comments.

Commissioner Blanken thanked the Budget Task Force for their work in trying to find solutions to the budget problems the City is facing.

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Mayor Wunder thanked Commissioner Blanken for taking care of the arrangements for the "City Commission Curb Appeal Award". He thanked the Budget Task Force for their work in trying to find solutions to the budget problems the City is facing. Mayor Wunder discussed the budget dilemma. He stated the Commission is going to do everything possible not to lay off employees and to not raise taxes. However, that doesn't mean it won't happen. Mayor Wunder urged citizens that he wants to hear possible solutions when they call to complain. Mayor Wunder thanked the group of citizens that traveled to Topeka on Saturday to lobby for the casino bill that did not pass through the Senate. He stated that the leaders in Topeka did not support the Junction City community. He urged all citizens to contact our legislature to show support for the Junction City community. Mayor Wunder invited the public to come out and meet with the Commission and staff regarding the budget at the district meeting.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS**

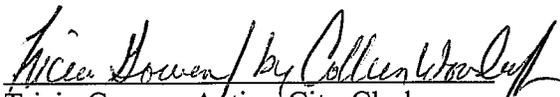
Mayor Wunder opened the meeting for staff comments.

The City Manager reminded the Commission that they had decided to have work sessions on the Tuesdays that are not designated for Commission meetings. The first work session is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the Commission room. The topic will be water and sewer rates and the 2004 budget. No action is to be taken and this meeting is open to the public. The Commission agreed to televise the work sessions.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Blanken moved, seconded by Commissioner Heldstab to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Ayes: Blanken, Heldstab, Taylor, Wunder. Nays: None. Absent: Talley. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2003, AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY CITY COMMISISON MINUTES FOR MAY 6, 2003.

  
Tricia Gowen, Acting City Clerk

  
Mick Wunder, Mayor