

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

May 20, 2014

7:00p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 with Mayor Michael Ryan presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Cecil Aska, Pat Landes, Mick McCallister, Michael Ryan, and Jim Sands. Staff present was: Interim City Manager Beatty, City Attorney Logan, and City Clerk Ficken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kate Volts of 1624 Patriot Drive stated that she is worried that increased fees to nonresidents such as military will have a negative impact. She stated that the Military does not consider themselves residents of the community; other military families will filter through the community. She stated that this raises concerns, and the business community is upset. She would like to know more information, and how the military families will be impacted.

Tiffany Eikelburger of 44663-4 Clark Street, Fort Riley, KS stated that she is concerned that there is not data. She stated that she is a military wife who would like to continue using the recreation facilities but she is worried about the potential surcharges of 5% to 25%. She stated that 25% at times would be cost prohibitive. She is not looking for special treatment, but she does not want to be charged more. Commissioner Landes stated that the intent of the proposal was for additional fees at the Golf Course and Airport only.

Marry Barret Willard of 109 S. Oak Street, White City, KS stated that she has military connections and has worked in junction City for approximately six years, and is pleased to hear that the family recreation activities will not be impacted.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-9 dated April 29 to May 13, 2014 in the amount of \$607,285.19. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of City Commission Minutes for May 6, 2014. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of April 2014 ambulance contractual obligation adjustments and bad debt adjustments. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner

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Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval for a temporary Cereal Malt Beverage license to Sundown Salute in Heritage Park to be held July 2 - July 5, 2014. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation declaring the week of May 18 - 24, 2014 as EMS Week in the City of Junction City. Mayor Ryan presented the proclamation.

APPOINTMENTS

Consideration of an appointment to the EDC. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to table the EDC appointment. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration and Approval of Award of Bid - City 2014 Street Striping Program. Mayor Ryan asked why there was only one bid. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that the market has been cornered by the recommended company. Commissioner Landes asked how long the striping will last. Mr. McCaffery stated that a product such as thermal would last longer, but at an increased cost. Commissioner McCallister requested that City staff address the crosswalk located at 1010 W. 8th Street as it is much worn. Mr. McCaffery reminded the Commission that crosswalks are painted by the City, and not contracted out. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to award the bid for 2014 Street Striping Program to Twin Traffic Marketing Corp., in an amount not to exceed \$40,853.25. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of the Award of Bid East 9th Street Water Main Replacement. Mr. McCaffery stated that the City received a favorable price on the project, and that is partially due to lower mobilization costs since J&K is a local operation. Commissioner Aska stated that this line is being replaced because there were numerous breaks. Mr. McCaffery agreed, and stated that this fix could put more pressure on the 8th & 10th street lines. Mr. McCaffery stated that problems with the current line result in low water pressures in Grandview Plaza. Commissioner Sands asked if the line will last until it is replaced. Mr. McCaffery stated that the line will hold, but it needs to be done. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to award bid for

East 9th Street Water Main Replacement to J&K Contracting in an amount not to exceed \$218,629.50. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval to set a Public Hearing for 604 W 4th St and to approve Resolution 2752. Mayor Ryan stated that some work was completed on the property. Mark Karmann stated that the porch and windows have been worked on. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve Resolution R-2752. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The consideration and approval to set a Public Hearing for 619 W 14th St and to approve Resolution 2753. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve Resolution R-2753. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of replacement of multi-function devices for Fire Station 1 at a cost of \$5,809.00, Municipal Court at a cost of \$5,809.00, and the Municipal Building Basement copier at a cost of \$9,373.00. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the City staff scans a lot of documents which reduces paper use, but those scan count as copies made. Commissioner McCallister stated that the current copiers are working, and a cost benefit analysis is needed. Commissioner Landes asked if these items are budgeted. Mr. Germann stated that they were budgeted in 2013 and rolled over. Commissioner McCallister asked if there is a maintenance contract. Mr. Germann replied yes. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve purchase of multi-function devices as outlined. Ayes: Aska, Landes, Ryan, Sands. Nays: McCallister. Motion carried.

Consideration of Kollhoff revolving loan fund application. Commissioner McCallister asked how many employees are expected to be hired. Mr. Weigand stated that the expectation is 5-7 employees; he added that it will be good to have a choice on this service. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve the Kollhoff revolving loan fund application as requested. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of surcharge for non-resident recreation facilities. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that she has seen non-resident fees at other municipalities, at swimming pools for example. Commissioner Aska asked what is being considered here? Commissioner Landes stated that his interest in non-resident fees does not go beyond the golf course and airport. Commissioner Landes stated that non-resident fees are common to golf courses, but less to Kansas courses; an additional \$4.00 for greens fees would be appropriate for non-resident patrons. Commissioner Landes stated that this is an issue of fairness; City taxpayers pay for the operation of the course. Commissioner Aska stated that this is a delicate issue because opportunities for youth are important; he can see the fees for the golf course and airport, but not other recreation activities. Commissioner McCallister stated that an analysis needs to be

completed to consider rate increases; he had an opportunity to golf at a course where the greens fees were \$60 and the cart was \$60, but he opted for the public course. Mr. Bernstein stated that he contacted other public courses, and their experience has been that the rates are difficult to enforce; would there be an additional charge for nonresident tournament participants? Mr. Bernstein provided estimated numbers that approximately 60% of the patrons are nonresidents. Commissioner Sands stated that he is OK with the fees as they are. Commissioner Aska stated that he does not want to turn people away from the golf course; in the past, City staff was not directed to hold the line, and the facility is working it's was out of deferred maintenance.

Consideration of Ordinance G-1147 amending the 2013 Standard Traffic Ordinance to make it illegal to use wireless communication devices while driving. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that some changes are needed to the ordinance, and the item will be placed on the June 3, 2014 Commission meeting.

Consideration of Flint Hills Regional Transit Authority Agreement as amended. City Attorney Logan stated that some technical changes were made to the document, but no substantive changes were made since the last approval. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the amended Flint Hills Regional Transit Authority Agreement. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion of next steps that need to be taken for consideration of potential unilateral annexation of eligible properties surrounding Junction City. Commissioner McCallister stated that this is not a direction he wants to move into. Commissioner McCallister stated that this is circumventing the law, and pushing cost onto the property owners in an amount that could be \$20,000 is completely uncalled for; this is an attempted land grab. Commissioner Aska stated that when this was discussed previously, the hole within the City were the items being considered. Mr. Yearout stated that the study & preparation would include eligible properties, and the Commission could move forward on an informed decision regarding which properties to bring into the City. Commissioner Landes stated that there are police and fire jurisdictional issues here. Commissioner McCallister stated that this would be an expensive endeavor. Commissioner Aska inquired whether the proposed report would provide answers regarding costs to extend services. Mr. Yearout replied yes. Mayor Ryan asked if the work with the title company would be expensive. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the description on the deed is sufficient, and the cost would be low. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to not move forward at this point on the preparation of a plan for extension of services as requested. Ayes: Aska, McCallister, Ryan. Abstention: Sands. Nays: Landes. Motion carried.

Consideration of meeting dates for 2015 budget discussions. Dates for budget discussions were set for June 12, 16, 18, & 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The first budget meeting will need to be held in the basement conference room due to a conflict with the MPC/BZA meeting.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Aska provided an update on the Flint Hills Regional Council, and provided information on Brigade Baseball.

Commissioner Sands provided an update on the CVB, the Breast Cancer walk scheduled for May 30, 2014, and the Police Department Block Party. Commissioner Sands asked that City staff determine if the trees at the Movie Theater are in compliance with City code; they create a view hazard.

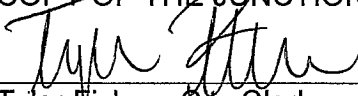
Commissioner McCallister reporting on the EDC stated that the grocery grab event was a success. He congratulated Cheryl on the work with the ACCT project.

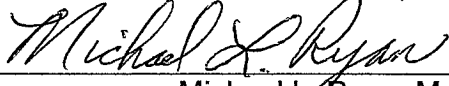
Mayor Ryan stated that the Animal Shelter does not put animals down unless they are very sick or crippled; be sure to get your animals fixed. Mayor Ryan stated that the Run for the Wall event was great, and they had a great speaker Commissioner Sands.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to adjourn at 9:49 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 3RD DAY OF JUNE AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MAY 20, 2014.


Tyler Ficken, City Clerk


Michael L. Ryan, Mayor