

**CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

June 3, 2014

7:00p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, June 3, 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**

Representative Rothlisberg updated the Commission on the Manhattan Area Technical College.

Larry Johnson of 2424 Rucker Rd asked the Commission to reconsider the driveway width requirements. He would like a wider driveway to accommodate 3 car garages. He stated that the current law has been in place since the 1960's but is only recently being enforced.

Laurie Cook provided information to the Commission regarding the WWI Women's Memorial in Heritage Park. She shared her plans for rehabilitation of the monument.

John Stewart stated that people in the City should be given a break on Rolling Meadows fees vs. charging more to non-City residents. Mr. Stewart stated that he is pleased the wireless communications issue is being addressed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-10 dated May 14, 2014 to May 28 2014 in the amount of \$1,207,326.60. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of City Commission Minutes for May 20, 2014, and Special City Commission Meeting Minutes for April 22, 2014, and April 30, 2014. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the purchase of a Police vehicle and the declaration as surplus of a Police vehicle. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner

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

Consideration of the declaration of a Police vehicle as surplus and approval of the sale of the vehicle at auction. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of 2014 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) application and Interlocal Agreement. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of the sale of food and 3.2 beer by Cox Bros BBQ for the 3rd Annual Governor's Freedom Rally scheduled on Saturday, June 7, 2014 in Heritage Park. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Presentation of the Juneteenth Proclamation. Mayor Ryan presented the proclamation.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

Consideration of an appointment to the EDC board. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to appoint Mark Powers to the EDC board as recommended. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of appointments to the Library Board. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to appoint Laurie Crites to a second term ending April 30, 2018, Cleo Jones to a second term ending April 30, 2018, and Montika Allen-Atkinson to fulfill the remained of an unexpired term ending April 30, 2017. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Consideration of options for City property located at 225 W. 7th Street. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the City's insurance Company would provide \$30,000 for demolition of the building; there is consideration of turning the space into additional parking. Commissioner McCallister asked if FEMA has been of assistance. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that the City received funding for a portion of the deductible. Commissioner Landes stated that the land could be

sold if it was held vacant for a time after the demolition. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to proceed with the process of demolition of the City owned building located at 225 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Ordinance G-1147 amending the 2013 Standard Traffic Ordinance to make it illegal to use wireless communication devices while driving. Commissioner Aska inquired whether a hands free device would be legal. Interim City Manager Beatty replied yes, and added that the City would post information on channel 3 to inform the community about the law change. Also, the City will post signs to City entrances to inform the public of the law. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve Ordinance G-1147, Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of G-1145 - Additions and Amendments to Article IV. FIREWORKS. Krista Blaisdell stated that the law is being proposed to eliminate debris on City property, and changes dates for the discharge of fireworks; Sunday evening is being replaced with Friday evening. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve Ordinance G-1145. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Case No. SUP-05-01-14, request of Pierre Roberge for a Special Use Permit to allow sales of light duty trailers on property zoned "RG" General Residential at 1325 Thompson Drive. Commissioner McCallister asked whether water runoff would be an issue. Commissioner Sands stated that there is a lot of rock on the property, and it is not muddy. Commissioner Aska stated that this is not a traditional property, and it is good that the land is being put to use. Commissioner McCallister moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve Ordinance S-3127 an ordinance granting a Special Use Permit to permit the sale of small utility trailers at 1325 Thompson Drive, Junction City, Kansas. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of a Special Event Permit for the operation of a Farmer's Market on Thursdays at Geary Community Hospital for 2014. Commissioner Landes asked if the Market would be more successful during AM hours. Harold Marion stated that the time was chosen as to not conflict with other markets. Mr. Marion stated that the intent is to begin with a small number of vendors and grow the program. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Landes, to approve a Special Event permit for the operation of a Farmer's Market on Thursday's from June 5, 2014 to October 30, 2014 as requested. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of Case No. Z-04-01-14, the request of Central National Bank to rezone from "RM" Multiple Family Residential to "CSP" Special Commercial the property at the southeast corner of 7th and Webster. Commissioner Landes asked if there should be a 4-way stop at the intersection of 7<sup>th</sup> & Webster; there is some fast traffic in that area. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that

City staff could conduct a traffic warrant analysis. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to approve Ordinance S-3126 an ordinance granting the rezoning from "RM" Multiple Family Residential District to "CSP" Special Commercial District of certain property located in the 500 block of West 7th Street. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of Award of Bid of Filters and Various Equipment - Public Works. Commissioner Sands asked if City staff direct solicited Autozone. Municipal Services Director McCaffery replied no, and added that staff direct solicited those previously working with Veolia. Commissioner Sands moved, seconded by Commissioner Aska to approve award of bid to O'Riley Auto Parts for Fleet Operations filters in an amount not to exceed \$35,127.12. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of Award of Bid of Tires and Various Equipment - Public Works. Commissioner McCallister stated that he does not believe there is a need for 40 wheels, and he would feel better at the number of 5; he stated that he has worries that the other numbers are inflated. Municipal Services Director McCaffery stated that purchases will be made if they are needed; this is the number that may be needed over a year, and the number was chosen for competitive bid pricing. Commissioner Aska stated if that many rims are needed, then there is a problem with the driving. Mayor Ryan added that during his time with the Fire department, he had one wheel damaged, and that driver received additional training. Mr. McCaffery stressed that the department will not purchase items that are not necessary for operations; and he wished for a better purchasing history. Commissioner Landes added that the tires and rims will be purchased on an as needed basis. Commissioner Aska added that his concern is with where the dollars will be spent if not on the unwanted rims. Mr. McCaffery suggested that the numbers be reduced by half, and he could return on an as needed basis if additional supplies are needed. Mr. McCaffery stated that the hope is not to spend all the funds on the items described because there are many other line items which are hamstrung, such as joint crack sealing. Commissioner Aska stated that he is concerned that the number is inflated to use on other projects. Commissioner Sands added that he also believes that that many rims are not needed; his experience is that new rims are not needed unless there is a problem with drivers hitting things. Commissioner Aska moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve award of bid to T.O. Hass in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. Ayes: Aska, Sands. Nays: Landes, McCallister, Ryan. Motion failed. Commissioner Landes stated that he was opposed because equipment number needed next year will be known. Commissioner McCallister stated that he would like to see a number at 50% and then an update when additional is needed. Interim City Manager Beatty added that the Commission could accept the T.O. Hass bid in the instance that additional funding is required; that is the Commission's choice. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to award bid to T.O. Hass in the amount of \$36,928.18 provided that City staff return to receive permission from the Commission for

expenditures beyond \$12,000. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration of award of bid for Fleet Operations Supplies and Materials, Department of Public Works – Universal Lubricants, Kansas City, KS. Mr. McCaffery stated that vehicles are currently on a two month cycle for oil changes; he would prefer a one month cycle because the vehicles are used a lot, 40-45 hours per month. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to approve award of bid to Universal Lubricants in an amount not to exceed \$43,103.42. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Consideration to schedule work session(s) for Land Bank and Storm Water Management plan in July. Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner McCallister to have a Work Session to discuss the Land Bank, and Storm Water Management Plan on July 8, 2014. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mayor Ryan stated that additional item has come to his attention that can be addressed by the Commission. He was contacted by Dennis Cox with a request for \$8,000 to overlay East Street. Mr. McCaffery stated that it is a good project, but the road is not designed for the traffic it is receiving. Mr. McCallister stated that it is a good price.

### **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS**

Commissioner Landes stated that he will have an article in the Saturday newspaper.

Commissioner Aska inquired regarding the process for a special pickup. Interim City Manager Beatty stated that City staff is working on ironing out the policy, but mattresses and chairs would likely be in the special pickup category which incurs an additional \$75 fee. Mr. McCaffery added stated that drivers use door hangers to inform patrons of the need for a special pickup for large items. Commissioner Aska stated that he sends his best to a coworker who lost her fight with cancer.

Commissioner Sands reminded the board of the following events: Relay for Life, Juneteenth, and the VFW Talent search.

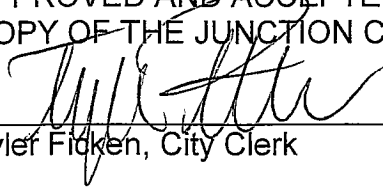
Mayor Ryan stated that he was informed that the County is 90% completed with the noxious weed spraying that was previously discussed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Landes moved, seconded by Commissioner Sands to adjourn at 9:43 p.m. Ayes: Aska, Landes, McCallister, Ryan, Sands. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 17TH DAY OF JUNE AS THE OFFICIAL  
COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR JUNE 3, 2014.

  
Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

  
Michael L. Ryan, Mayor

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