

# **CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

City Hall Commission Chambers

Monday, November 20, 2017

7:00 p.m.

MEETING #5083

## **CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Rick Sowers, Commissioners, Kent Smoll, Jan Scoggins, Brian Dezeit, Joyce Warshaw was reported absent.

**INVOCATION** by Ada Bogart, John 14 Fellowship

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **PETITIONS & PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Rick Sowers proclaimed Saturday, November 25, 2017 as Small Business Saturday.

**VISITORS (Limit of five minutes per individual and fifteen minutes per topic. Final action may be deferred until the next City Commission meeting unless an emergency situation does exist).**

Steve Brown – Talked about the need for maintenance for a particular drainage area at Spruce and Gardner in Dodge City. The property is owned by his wife and the drainage area is cutting through and eroding the back yard and causing foundation damage to the house. He is asking the City to remove trees and put in a retaining wall and in addition asked for a culvert pipe to be installed. He also asked to be paid for damages to the house. The Mayor responded that he would direct the City Manager to get with Ray Slattery and Brad Ralph and get back to the City Commission with a response.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approval of City Commission Meeting Minutes, November 6, 2017;
2. Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, November 20, 2017;
3. Cereal Malt Beverage License:
  - a. Circle K Stores, 609 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
  - b. Circle K Stores, 2615 East Trail Street

Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented; Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. 2017-34:** A Resolution of the Governing Body of the City of Dodge City, Kansas Giving Notice of a Public Hearing on the Advisability of Creating a Community Improvement District was approved on a motion by Commissioner Brian Delzeit. Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

**Resolution No. 2017-35:** A Resolution Describing and Defining the Boundary of the City of Dodge City, Kansas was approved on a motion by Commissioner Kent Smoll. Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

**Resolution No. 2017-36:** A Resolution authorizing the offering for sale of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2017-B of the City of Dodge City, Kansas was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jan Scoggins. Commissioner Brian Delzeit seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Commissioner Brian Delzeit moved to approve the YMCA Membership Fees for 2018. Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
2. Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to approve the Quote from Chubb Insurance for premises liability in the amount of \$10,310 per year and a pollution insurance policy in the amount of \$56,306 for three years for the Bio Gas Plant. Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
3. Commissioner Jan Scoggins moved to approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$25,500 for a Railroad Flagger stand by as the contractor completes work within 25' of the rail and Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$30,000 for replacing the street paving adjacent to the new railroad cross panels that will be installed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Railroad Crossing. Commissioner Kent Smoll seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

The Commissioners asked Ray Slattery for an update on the Avenue A Bridge project.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Nannette Pogue

- The annual employee Thanksgiving luncheon will be held Tuesday, November 21, at the Hoover Pavilion. All employees and Commissioners are invited.
- The Salvation Army Red Kettle Kickoff is this week. Bell Ringers are needed for the Holiday Season.
- City hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

- Open Enrollment for Health Insurance and other benefits for city employees was held last week.

Commissioner, Kent Smoll

- Was in Washington DC last week along with other representatives of the Southwest Kansas Coalition, talking to our legislators and other key staff about some of the issues that are important to us in Southwest Kansas including: immigration, transportation, Essential Air Service, and the TIGER Grant which was very important to continue Amtrak service in Southwest Kansas and other states west and southwest. The group talked about tax reform and laid out the plans important to Dodge City and Southwest Kansas.
- The feeder Airline, Boutique Air, will begin service in Dodge City on January 1, 2018.
- Black Friday is this week, encourage local shopping; shop local and shop often.
- Congratulations to Brian and Joyce for the reelection on the City Commission
- Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Commissioner, Jan Scoggins

- Southwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging has Senior Health Insurance counseling services that will end on December 7.
- The ice rink at the United Wireless Arena is open for ice skating
- Commended the Committee who has built and maintained Liberty Gardens for the last several years. She was in New York City at the 911 memorial and it was very touching. It gave even more meaning to the trees that were planted locally at the 911 memorial ceremony.

Commissioner, Brian Delzeit

- Echoed what Kent Smoll said regarding shopping local. He realizes that we don't have everything, but please support your local businesses so that they can survive and thrive. The majority of things can be purchased in Dodge City. Local businesses support our community, so let's support them.

Mayor, Rick Sowers

- Thanked the Brown family for bringing their drainage issue to the City Commission. Staff will look at the problems and make recommendations.
- The Salvation Army kick off is Wednesday. There is a lot of need this time of year.
- Thanked all of those who put their hat into the ring for the City Commission race. Congratulations to all of the incumbents.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Jan Scoggins moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Brian Delzeit seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST:

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Mayor

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City Clerk, Nannette Pogue