

# **CITY COMMISSION MINUTES**

City Hall Commission Chambers

Monday, June 20, 2011

7:00 p.m.

MEETING #4851

## **CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Rick Sowers, Commissioners Kent Smoll, Jim Sherer, Michael Weece and Monte Broeckelman were present.

**INVOCATION:** by Rev. Lance Carrithers of the First United Methodist Church

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **PETITIONS & PROCLAMATIONS**

National Foster Care Month Proclamation was read.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to open the Public Hearing, Commissioner Jim Sherer seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

1. Revolving Loan Fund Application for El Charro was presented by Executive Director of Dodge City/Ford County Development Corporation, Joann Knight and Executive Director of Great Plains Development, Patty Richardson.

Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to close the Public Hearing, Commissioner Jim Sherer seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

**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).

Vernon Bogart, taxpayer and registered voter of Dodge City, talked about crime increase related to the casino.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Approval of City Commission Meeting minutes, June 6, 2011
2. Approval of City Commission Special Meeting minutes, June 9, 2011
3. Approval of Joint City/County Commission Meeting minutes, June 9, 2011
4. Appropriation Ordinance No. 12, June 20, 2011
5. Cereal Malt Beverage License
  - a. Love's Country Store #62, 400 E. Wyatt Earp
  - b. Ban Lao Garden, 102 W. Wyatt Earp

Commissioner Jim Sherer moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, seconded by Commissioner Michael Weece. The motion carried unanimously.

## **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approval of LRLF for El Charro facility in the amount of \$21,200 with 6% interest for 7 years was had on a motion by Commissioner Monte Broeckelman, seconded by Commissioner Michael Weece. The motion carried 4-0, with Commissioner Kent Smoll abstaining.
2. Authorization for staff to negotiate repairs of railroad crossings at 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and South 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sycamore within the City of Dodge City with BNS&F Railroad and Eureka Railroad was approved on a motion by Commissioner Kent Smoll, seconded by Commissioner Jim Sherer. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Commissioner Jim Sherer moved to authorize staff to submit a letter of support for Garden City REAP Grant request. Commissioner Michael Weece seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Ken Strobel, City Manager:

- Reminder – Business Appreciation Luncheon at Hoover Pavilion on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.;
- Cherise Tieben, Brady Pollington and myself will be going to Topeka to meet with Department of Transportation, Department of Commerce and the Lobbyist;
- City Commission Retreat – trying to find a schedule that works for all the Commissioners; and
- Additional Way Finding Signs have been put up.

Jane Longmeyer, Director of Public Information:

- Last weekend, Dodge City Swim Team hosted the swim meet; and
- This week, City Staff will remove stand alone wood awnings in downtown.

Commissioner Jim Sherer:

- Attended races at DCRP – good crowd;
- Last week attended KS League of Municipalities Board Meeting; and
- June 2 – 4<sup>th</sup> NLC Human Development Committee members met in Dodge City. Thanked Joann Knight and Jan Stevens for support and assistance with event, along with sponsors, JAG, Western Beverage, Black Hills Energy, United Wireless Arena, Dodge House and National Beef. Thanked the staff for attending Welcoming Reception.

Commissioner Monte Broeckelman:

- Questions regarding Essential Air Service...have until July 15<sup>th</sup> to made recommendations.

Commissioner Kent Smoll:

- Out of town visitors appreciate Way Finding Signs;
- July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration – consider making donation and be careful, it is dry; and
- Status on truck route signs.

Mayor Rick Sowers:

- Commented on walking path in Spiers Park; and
- Questioned when equipment was going to be placed at Longbranch Park.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Commissioner Monte Broeckelman moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Michael Weece seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Rick Sowers, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Nannette Pogue, City Clerk