

CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City Hall Commission Chambers

Monday, January 6, 2014

7:00 p.m.

MEETING #4945

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Mayor Kent Smoll, Commissioners, Brian Delzeit, Joyce Warshaw, Rick Sowers, and Jim Lembright.

INVOCATION by Kirk Larson of Grace Community Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PETITIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

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).

Director of Public Information, Jane Longmeyer, presented Jan Stevens and Drew Francis each with an award for completion of Certified Public Management Program.

Cathy Reeves, Director of the Dodge City Public Library, gave a Quarterly Update.

Mayor Kent Smoll moved and Commissioner Jim Lembright seconded the motion to add two items to New Business: Discussion of Essential Air Service, Staff Changes.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of City Commission Meeting Minutes, December 16, 2013
2. Approval of City Commission Special Meeting Minutes, December 31, 2013
3. Appropriation Ordinance No. 1, January 6, 2014;
4. Cereal Malt Beverage License Applications;
 - (a) Walgreen Co., 1801 N. 14th Avenue;
 - (b) Taylor's Road House, LLC. 2305 W. Wyatt Earp Blvd;
 - (c) Tacos Jalisco, 412 E Wyatt Earp Blvd., Dodge City, KS 67801.

Commissioner Brian Delzeit moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, seconded by Commissioner Joyce Warshaw. The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 3575: An Ordinance of the City of Dodge City, Kansas amending the Official Zoning Map of the City, Changing the property Known as Lot 2 & Lot 3, Block 4, Summerlon Phase III from R-1, Residential Low Density to C-O, Commercial Office was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rick Sowers, seconded by Commissioner Joyce Warshaw. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**NEW BUSINESS**

1. A Minor Replat for Days Inn was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded by Commissioner Jim Lembright. Motion carried unanimously.
2. The 2014 State/Federal Legislative Policy was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jim Lembright, seconded by Commissioner Joyce Warshaw. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Discussion of Essential Air Service. Ken Strobel presented information regarding the proposals for continued Air Service in Dodge City. His recommendations to favor continuation of existing service with Great Lakes. It was consensus of the City Commission to recommend to the Department of Transportation to continue the Great Lakes Service.
4. Discussion of Staff changes. The City Commission received letter from Ken Strobel resigning from the position of City Manager, and additionally he will serve as Chief In House Legal Counsel and recommends to promote Cherise Tieben to City Manager. Kent Smoll moved to accept letter, appoint Ken Strobel to Chief In House Legal Counsel and to appoint Cherise Tieben to City Manager. Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Ken Strobel made comments, thanked the Commission for opportunity, and thanked all City Employees and Department Heads.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager, Cherise Tieben:

- Housing – Updated the Commission and Public on the Housing Programs. We have built or under Construction 193 Units, and another 334 on the drawing board. 527 total Units in some phase of the process in last several years, since we started the programs;

- CFAB Meeting has been postponed until meetings with Ford County can be scheduled;
- Make sure everyone knows the deadline to file for City Commission is January 21, 2014.

Director of Public Information, Jane Longmeyer

- The City is seeking applications from those persons interested in appointments to the Boards and Commissions;
- Dog tags can be obtained at the Animal Shelter, Police Department or City Hall.

Commissioner, Jim Lembright:

- Thanks Ken Strobel – Cherise will do a good job.

Commissioner, Rick Sowers:

- Thanked Ken – appreciate his support and guidance;
- Commented on transition of employees with In House Candidates – Very Capable.

Mayor, Kent Smoll:

- Ken is a great Asset to the Community. Plan has been in place for a while. Cherise has full support of the Commission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:55 Mayor Kent Smoll moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Non-Elected Personnel, not to exceed 30 minutes. Commissioner Brian Delzeit seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with Ken Strobel, Brad Ralph, Cherise Tieben to attend.

At 8:25 Commissioner Jim Lembright moved and Commission Rick Sowers seconded the motion to extend the executive Session 10 minutes.

The meeting reconvened to regular session at 8:35.

Commissioner Brian Delzeit moved to approve the City Manager Contract with Cherise Tieben, pending approval by Counsel. Joyce Warshaw seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rick Sowers moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Joyce Warshaw seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Nannette Pogue, City Clerk