

CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City Hall Commission Chambers

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

7:00 p.m.

MEETING #4970

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL Vice Mayor Joyce Warshaw, Commissioners, Kent Smoll, Jan Scoggins, Rick Sowers. Mayor Brian Delzeit was reported absent.

INVOCATION by Vernon Bogart.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Rick Sowers moved to add item to New Business: Approval of Special Assessment Proceedings – Candletree Addition, Unit V. Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

Vice Mayor Joyce Warshaw opened the Public Hearing on the matter to vacate the Utility Easement between 2315 & 2317 Kerri Drive. Report by Director of Developmental Services, Dennis Veatch. The Public Hearing was closed.

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).

Kevin Noll of A-Z Land Surveying –Dispute of billing on excavating of corner stone.

Neighbors in Waddell 3rd Sub-Division:

Louisa Chamberlain, Morrison Street, talked about Waddell Sub-Division between Grant and Market Streets. Feels like there is an ethical problem with the sub-division. There are some similar housing developments on Collar Street, Villa Manor, Glenridge Addition, Smith Street area, LaSalle, Hillcrest, Minneola Road, Colorado Road, and Johnson Ave. As you drive through those housing developments, they have deteriorated. No new housing has been built around those. Legally trailers as old as 1976 can be moved in and set. Plans are to put in 12 double wide trailers. As a City we can do better for South Dodge.

Dale Chamberlain, 801 Morrison Ave. The reason the homes in the neighborhood have increased in value is that they have maintained and upgraded the homes and yards. Thinks adding new homes will put stress on water and sewer lines. Detriment to the neighborhood because of the values of the homes.

Vernon Bogart, registered voter. He has concerns about finances in Dodge City. Bait and switch. The voters voted on Sales Tax Projects in 1997. A Water Park has been proposed. His concern is Dodge City Community College hooked up with Fort Hays State. Wants to know what it is going to cost taxpayers.

Joann Knight, Executive Director of Dodge City/Ford County Economic Development talked about a report put out about the economic strength of Ford County. She reported that 2,600 new jobs have been added in Ford County. Employment rate has been 3.1-4% consistently. She talked about a Policom report and how Dodge City rates 21 in Metropolitan Statistical Area in the US. November 13th the gentleman that puts out this report will be in town to make a presentation. The website to review the report is Policom.com

Bill Miller – It was great to hear the previous report. One more thing that can give Dodge City a boost is to extend Comanche Street from 14th Street to the Casino.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of City Commission Meeting Minutes, August 18, 2014;
2. Appropriation Ordinance No. 17, September 2, 2014;
3. Cereal Malt Beverage License:
 - (a) Boot Hill Museum, 500 W. Wyatt Earp Blvd.

Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented; Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 – 0.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 3585: An Ordinance Vacating the Utility Easement between 2315 & 2317 Kerri Drive was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rick Sowers, seconded by Commissioner Jan Scoggins. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolution No. 2014-20: A Resolution modifying the schedule of fees for Contractors and Trades Licensing was approved on a motion by Commissioner Kent Smoll, seconded by Commissioner Rick Sowers. Motion carried 4-0.

Robin Bailey, Signature Signs, has a concern with the enforcement. Doesn't feel there is enough help to enforce the permit process for signs. She suggested that fines be applied to those who do not have permits.

Dan Schenkein thanked the City Commission to allow the conversation to take place about the increase in fees. Thanked Dennis for sending out letters in a timely manner. Asked for clarification about the renewal fees and how long the renewal fees remain. These fees remain in effect until a new resolution is put into place.

Resolution No. 2014-21: A Resolution in Support of an Application for Funding through the Moderate Income Housing Program offered through the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation to be utilized for the Abandoned Housing Program in Dodge City, Kansas. Commissioner Rick Sowers moved to approve a Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Resolution No. 2014-22: A Resolution Delaying the Commencement of the Collection of a Community Improvement District Sales Tax from January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Kent Smoll, seconded by Commissioner Rick Sowers. The motion carried 4-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Joyce Warshaw, Jan Scoggins, Ernestor De La Rosa and Cherise Tieben were appointed as Delegates to the League of Kansas Municipalities. Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to approve and Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.
2. Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to approve the bid from Van-Wall Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$52,028 for two Heavy Duty Utility Vehicles to be used at Cemetery and Parks Departments. Commissioner Rick Sowers seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.
3. Commissioner Rick Sowers moved to approve the bid from Lewis Chevrolet in the amount of \$25,998 for a full sized ½ ton 4x4 Pickup Truck that will be utilized by the Development Services Department. Commissioner Kent Smoll seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.
4. The proposal from Mid America Sports Construction in the amount \$341,575 including alternates for the installation of Artificial Turf at Cavalier Field was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rick Sowers, seconded by Commissioner Jan Scoggins. The motion carried 4-0.
5. Approval of proposal from JAG Construction Co. for the construction of the 14th Avenue Sidewalk Program and East Wyatt Earp Median in front of the Santa Fe Depot in the amount of \$55,050.00 was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jan Scoggins, seconded by Commissioner Kent Smoll. The motion carried 4-0.

6. Commissioner Kent Smoll moved to reject the bid from APAC-Kansas Division for the construction of the Infrastructure Improvements of Prairie Pointe Apartments in the amount of \$379,275.50. Commissioner Jan Scoggins seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0.

7. The Special Assessment Proceedings for Candletree Addition, Unit V which included:
 - a. Approve each of said documents;
 - b. Establish September 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to meet for the purpose of hearing any and all written or oral objections to the respective assessments set forth therein;
 - c. Cause the City Clerk to publish Exhibit C in the official City newspaper not less than 10 days prior to such meeting date;
 - d. Mail Exhibit D to each and all owners of property affected by such assessments at their last known post office address on the same date as the publication of Exhibit C; and
 - e. File each of said documents of record in the office of the City Clerk and make the same available for Public Inspection,was approved on a motion by Commissioner Rick Sowers, seconded by Commissioner Kent Smoll. The motion carried 4-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Cherise Tieben:

- Reminded the Commission of several meetings, October 11-13, League of Municipalities; October 13, Joint City/County Commission meeting. Congratulations to Ryan Reid who is a Grandpa to twin girls.

Commissioner Kent Smoll:

- Attended County Commission today. They will not try to put the water park on the ballot. They are still looking at the Community College issue. Has had complaints about trucks on Wyatt Earp again. Talked about the Policom report by Joann Knight reported on earlier in the meeting. That was on KSN news today. Chastised the staff for putting 11 items on the agenda for Joyce and she did a good job.

Commissioner, Jan Scoggins:

- Appreciated visitors who brought issues to the Commission.

Commissioner, Joyce Warshaw:

- Nice to see everyone in the audience.

Jane Longmeyer:

- Intersection at 4th and Trail closed as of today. September 11th memorial at 7:00 at Liberty Gardens. Lost Boys of Sudan presentation on September 13. The second weekend in September there will be a walk with your neighbor event.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rick Sowers moved to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Kent Smoll seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Nannette Pogue, City Clerk