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A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Iola was held on July 13, 2010 at 1:00 p.m., at the City of Iola Commission Room, 2 W Jackson, Iola, and Kansas.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Maness called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Maness, Commissioner Bill Shirley and Commissioner Craig Abbott were present, with Mayor Maness presiding. Also present were City Administrator Judy Brigham, City Clerk Roxanne Hutton, and City Attorney Chuck Apt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Maness led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Shirley to approve the agenda replacing item E under new business with Library change orders and budget discussions and adding item G. under City's ISO Rating. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The vote was three ayes.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes Approval** –June 22nd 2010
- B. Appropriations Approval** – 2010-13
- C. Personnel Actions**
 - Kevin Appling – Power Plant – Annual Evaluation
 - Rhonda Fulton – Police Department – 6 Month Evaluation
 - Douglas Clark – Parks & Cemetery – Annual Evaluation
 - Jason Ellis – Street & Alley – Annual Evaluation
 - Danny Rodriguez – Police Department – Annual Evaluation

Commissioner Shirley made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Abbott. The vote was three ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Darian Nowak of 409 S. Third was present to contest to the City Utility office shutting off his utilities for his ex-wife's previous bill. City Clerk Hutton informed the commissioners that she was living in the house at the time the letter was sent and according to the city's contract with Mr. Nowak if he allows an individual to live in the house that is in arrears to the city his utilities will be disconnected if the bill is not paid. The commissioners were in agreement that Mr. Nowak owed the bill.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Fun & Fit Grant Project – Luke Bycroft** – Luke Bycroft was at the meeting to give an update on the status of the grant. The grant was approved for one year; therefore he is going to hire the Recreation Fitness Coordinator with the understanding that it is a one-year position. The position will be in place by the 15th of August.
- B. ACARF / Animal Control - Upon** receiving a letter from Dr. Knewtson explaining some concerns he has Commissioner Abbott made a motion and Mayor Maness seconded the motion to table this agenda item to the next meeting. The vote was three ayes.
- C. 609 South Sycamore Resolution** – Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Bauer was present to give recommendation to set a public hearing for August 24th for the property. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to approve the resolution setting the hearing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shirley. The vote was three ayes.
- D. 216 N Third Resolution** – Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Bauer was present to give recommendation to set a public hearing for August 24th for the property. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to approve the resolution setting the hearing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shirley. The vote was three ayes.
- E. Library Change Orders and Budget Discussion** – Roger Carswell presented change order 4.1-4.5 with a total of \$3,309.00. Commissioner Shirley made a motion to approve the change order. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The vote was three ayes.
- F. Relay for Life - Request** – The Allen County Relay for Life is requesting a waiver for the community building rental fees for the survivor reception on July 21st. The Commissioners stated that the policy should be changed if it is a charitable event that is open to the public then the city should be able to waive the fee.
- G. ISO Rating** – Fire Chief Donald Leapheart informed the Commissioners that a demo truck is available to the city at a discounted rate. With the purchase of the new truck it will lower the ISO rating for the city. Mayor Maness made a motion to approve the purchase of the truck. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shirley. The vote was three ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 319 W. Garfield – Public Hearing – Administrator Brigham noted that she had received from Attorney Apt a contract to purchase the property from the Iola Industries. A motion was made by Mayor Maness to approve the resolution to continue with condemnation process giving the property owner 30 days to begin the demolition process and 120 days to complete. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The vote was three ayes.

B. Charter Ordinance / Voting Ward - Discussions – Assistant Administrator Corey Schinstock presented the map to the commission with the new voting wards in place. Commissioner Shirley made a motion to approve the new voting wards. Motion seconded by Commissioner Abbott. The vote was three ayes. Discussion followed concerning the Charter Ordinance. It was decided by the commissioners that they wanted the terms of the Mayor and Commissioners to be four years. The two wards with the lowest count of winning votes would be the initial two-year term wards.

2:00 p.m. Mayor Maness declared a five-minute break.

COMMISSION & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. Commissioner Abbott –

- Inquired about the status of the KPP. Administrator Brigham noted that Mike Phillips, Power Plant Superintendent would be attending a meeting on Thursday. Commissioner Abbott requested that Scott Shreve be in attendance at the July 27th meeting.

B. Commissioner Shirley –

- Noted that the Mad Bomber Run was successful.

C. Mayor Maness –

- Inquired about the current city policy about an individual being responsible for utility bills of someone that moves into their house. Attorney Apt stated that this policy is in place in several cities and it is in place to discourage a group of individuals moving around town putting the utilities in different names to avoid payment.

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D. City Administrator Brigham

- Informed the Commissioners if they had an interest in attending the annual LKM Conference to let Beth Ann know.
- Will be out of the office Thursday, Friday and Monday due to a minor surgery.
- Inquired as to how the Commission wanted to handle the county hospital meeting this evening in LaHarpe. Attorney Apt recommended that the Commissioners appoint Mayor Maness as their representative to attend the meeting to obtain information only. Commissioner Shirley made a motion to appoint Mayor Maness as the representative for the meeting this evening for the hospital discussion. Commissioner Abbott seconded the motion. The vote was three ayes.
- Reminded Commissioners of the open house at Windsor Place this evening from 5-7 p.m. for the Age-to-Age Preschool center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Attorney/Client Matters 2:20 p.m. K.S.A.75-4319a (1)

Motion was made by Mayor Maness and seconded by Commissioner Shirley to recess into “Executive Session” for the purpose of conducting a meeting to discuss Attorney/Client matters. The vote was three ayes. Present: Commissioners, Attorney Apt, Administrator Brigham, and City Clerk Hutton. The open meeting to resume in the Commission Room at 2:25 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel 2:27 p.m. K.S.A.75-4319a (1)

Motion was made by Commissioner Shirley and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to recess into “Executive Session” for the purpose of conducting a meeting to discuss non-elected personnel. The vote was three ayes. Present: Commissioners and Attorney Apt. The open meeting to resume in the Commission Room at 2:37 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel 2:37 p.m. K.S.A.75-4319a (1)

Motion was made by Commissioner Shirley and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to recess into “Executive Session” for the purpose of conducting a meeting to discuss non-elected personnel. The vote was three ayes. Present: Commissioners and Attorney Apt. The open meeting to resume in the Commission Room at 2:42 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel 2:42 p.m. K.S.A.75-4319a (1)

Motion was made by Commissioner Shirley and seconded by Commissioner Abbott to recess into “Executive Session” for the purpose of conducting a meeting to discuss non-elected personnel. The vote was three ayes. Present: Commissioners and Attorney Apt. The open meeting to resume in the Commission Room at 2:47 p.m.

DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING

City Commission Meeting 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 27th, 2010
City Commission Meeting 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 10th, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

2:48 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Abbott and was seconded by Commissioner Shirley to adjourn the meeting. The vote was three ayes. As the vote was unanimous, the meeting was declared adjourned.

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Iola, Kansas this 27th day of July 2010.

Mayor, Bill Maness

City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton

