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A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Iola was held on August 24, 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 and Commissioner Bill Shirley were present, with Mayor Maness presiding. Also present were City Administrator Judy Brigham, City Clerk Roxanne Hutton, and City Attorney Chuck Apt. Commissioner Abbott was absent due to being out of town.

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 adding item G under new business Municipal Court Ordinance. Mayor Maness seconded the motion. The vote was two ayes.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes Approval** –August 24,2010
- B. Appropriations Approval** – 2010-16
- C. Personnel Actions**
 - Anthony Godfrey – Code Services – 12 Month Evaluation
 - Carol West – City Clerk – Annual Evaluation
 - Brad Yoder – Recreation – Annual Evaluation
 - Brandon Thomas – Water Production – Promotion
 - Eric B’Hymer – Fire Department – Annual Evaluation
 - Joe Bonczkowski- Gas, Water & Sewer – Annual Evaluation
 - Jacob Lawrence – Fitness Coordinator – New Hire

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Calvin Parker lives outside of the city limits of Iola he owns a small greenhouse. He was questioning why he cannot sell potted plants at the local farmers market without obtaining a permit for temporary business at a cost of \$250.00. Attorney Apt informed Mr. Parker that the current ordinance does not allow for commercial business owners to sell their wares outside of their business without first obtaining a permit. The commissioners were in agreement with the current ordinance does not allow for commercial businesses to sell at the farmers market without a permit.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Highland Cemetery Project**– Berkley Kerr, Parks and Cemetery superintendent and Terry Ellis of Williams Monuments were present to discuss the current project. The project is finished and commissioners were pleased with the outcome. They would like to set up a yearly schedule to pick a section at a time and straighten the stones up in that section paying for it out of the perpetual maintenance fund. Commissioner Shirley made a motion to approve funding on a yearly basis up to \$5,000.00 to straighten the stones a section at a time. Motion seconded by Mayor Maness. The vote was two ayes.
- B. 216 North Third – Public Hearing** - Mayor Maness opened the public hearing at 1:22 p.m. No public comments were made. Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Bauer made the recommendation that the city continue with condemnation. Mayor Maness closed the hearing. Commissioner Shirley made a motion to continue with demolition. Mayor Maness seconded the motion. The vote was two ayes.
- C. 609 South Sycamore – Public Hearing**– Mayor Maness opened the public hearing at 1:24 p.m. Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Bauer stated that several permits had been taken out to remove outbuildings since 2003 and still the property is blight to the neighborhood. The owner of the property, Cleto Coronado asked that the commission give him more time to get the property up to code. The commissioners stated that they didn't see how it could be brought up to code quickly and the neighbors should not have to live with it the way it currently is. The hearing was closed. Commissioner Shirley made a motion to continue with demolition. Mayor Maness seconded the motion. The vote was two ayes.
- D. Broadway Street – McKinley School** – Officer Mike Ford addressed making the street one way. The school is concerned about bus traffic and other traffic on this side of the building due to the fact that this is the main entrance for the students. The Mayor saw no reason to not make the street one way and stated current policy allows for the Chief to make this decision.

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- E. LKM Conference** - The Commission is being asked to appoint voting delegates for the League Conference. Administrator Brigham noted that Beth Ann Turner will be receiving her award and her husband city employee Max Turner will be attending. Ken Hunt, Human Resource Director will be attending also. It is being held on a commission meeting day. Mayor Maness asked that Assistant Administrator Corey Schinstock take over for Administrator Brigham at the meeting so that she could attend the meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Shirley to appoint Judy Brigham and Beth Ann Turner as voting delegates at the LKM meeting. Motion seconded by Mayor Maness. The vote was two ayes.
- F. Meter Reader Vehicle - Discussions** – City Clerk Hutton informed the commissioners that the current vehicle is in need of several repairs. It is a vehicle that has been passed down from the police department. The current vehicle is a 1998 Ford Ranger. Roxanne received a bid from Twin Motors for a 2010 Ranger for \$11,800.00. The cost of the vehicle will be taken from gas, electric and sewer departments. Motion made by Commissioner Shirley to purchase the vehicle. Motion seconded by Mayor Maness. The vote was two ayes.
- G. Municipal Court Ordinance** – Attorney Apt presented an ordinance for fine amounts to the commissioners. Motion made by Commissioner Shirley to approve the ordinance. Motion seconded by Mayor Maness. The vote was two ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Iola Public Library Project – Roger Carswell was at the meeting to discuss the project. Roger presented two change orders to the commission for review. Change order #5 was for \$19,530.00 for the changes in the roof due to the extra layers. Change order #6 was for \$2,601.60 for cleaning the roof drains and replacing them. The Commission stated they would go into executive session later in the meeting to discuss the change orders with the city attorney.

B. Vision Iola - Update – Representatives from Landworks Studio were present to provide review of the project. Hawk Business Supply showed two different sign materials to the commissioners. The commissioners thanked those present and commended them on the project. They asked Administrator Brigham to do a financial analysis to prioritize the projects.

2:52 p.m. Mayor Maness declared a five-minute break.

COMMISSION & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. Commissioner Abbott –

- Not Present.

B. Commissioner Shirley –

- Inquired about the hospital. Attorney Apt stated that the information the commissioners received would be discussed later. Commissioner Shirley stated that the city should be informed of the location of the hospital prior to a commitment.

C. Mayor Maness –

- Asked that city staff look at the cost of a dog park and a spray park.
- Ways to make the south end of Washington Street for a fishing area.
- Inquired about the road crossing markers and lighting at Miller Road for the trail.

D. City Administrator Brigham

- Reported that Safe base will be at Lincoln School again this year. They have requested the lot on the corner of Sycamore and Lincoln for garden space.

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Roger Carswell and Hans Fischer returned to the meeting. Mayor Maness made a motion to approve change order #6 for the library. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shirley. The vote was two ayes.

Mayor Maness made a motion to deny the change order #5 for the library. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shirley. The vote was two ayes.

DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING

City Commission Meeting 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 10th, 2010
City Commission Meeting 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 28th, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

4:02 p.m. Motion made by Commissioner Shirley and was seconded by Mayor Maness to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. The vote was two ayes. As the vote was unanimous, the meeting was declared adjourned.

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Iola, Kansas this 14th
day of September 2010.

Mayor, Bill Maness

City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton