

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Iola was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., at the Riverside Park Community Building, 510 Park Avenue, Iola, Kansas.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Wicoff called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Wicoff, Council Members Becker, Wells, B. Franklin, A. Franklin, Ford, Zornes, Shaughnessy and Sigg were present. Also present were Administrator Slaugh, Assistant Administrator Schinstock, and City Clerk Hutton.

6:05 p.m. Council Member B. Franklin left the meeting.

**REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Becker to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sharon Boan commended city crews for a job well done on the city wide cleanup.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Minutes Approval**

- September 28<sup>th</sup>

**B. Appropriations Approval – 2015-19**

**C. Personnel Action**

- Kara Godfrey – Administration – Annual
- Ryan Smith – Gas, Water & Wastewater – Annual
- Dakota Sigg – Gas, Water & Wastewater – Annual
- Charles Ecton – Fire Department – Resignation
- Danielle McNaught – Fire Department - Rehire

Motion made by Council Member Becker to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Wells. All in favor. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. EMC Insurance Recommendations-** Following a claim survey of the City of Iola, by EMC Insurance in July, the following recommendations for improvement were given.

Riverside Park Skate Park Graffiti – Graffiti was found on the skate park equipment. The presence of graffiti can indicate an attitude of indifference toward the property, increasing future gang activity and vandalism. All graffiti should be removed as soon as possible, and a procedure should be implemented to ensure that any new graffiti is promptly identified and removed.

Solid Waste Container Size, Type and Weight – An informative brochure should be developed and distributed to all customers of the Solid Waste Department. The brochure should provide specific information on container size, type, and weight limitations, items that will not be picked-up, placement of containers, and any other information that would help protect employees from injury. This information could also be made available on the City of Iola website.

City staff plans on implementing restrictions to deal with the solid waste container size, type and weight. This requires a revision to the Municipal Code. Hiring practices will be reviewed and revised to include reviewing job descriptions and adding functional analysis screening.

Administrator Slaugh noted that the paint has been ordered for the skate park. The crew will paint the park when the paint comes in.

Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Sigg to approve Ordinance 3453 reducing weight restrictions on garbage containers and authorize the mayor to sign the ordinance. All in favor. Motion carried.

Council Member A. Franklin asked about the recommendation for the functional analysis for pre-employment screenings. Administrator Slaugh noted that the candidate is asked to perform tasks that are related to the specific job. A waiver is signed just like when a fireman or police officer does an agility test prior to employment.

**B. Farm City Days – Requests** – The Farm City Days Committee is requesting an extension of the noise ordinance until 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday to accommodate live band music. The committee stated that if there is any complaints they will be handled accordingly and as advised by authorities. Council Member A. Franklin noted that the Farm City Days Committee will take the recommendation from the Police Chief if any complaints are received. Motion made by Council Member Wells to approve the extension of the noise ordinance curfew until 11:00 p.m. for Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday October 17<sup>th</sup>. Motion seconded by Council Member Zornes. Voting in favor of the motion were Council Members: Zornes, Ford, Sigg, Wells, Shaughnessy, and Becker. Council Member A. Franklin abstained from the vote because he serves on the Farm City Days Committee. The motion passed by majority vote.

## **COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

**A. Mayor Wicoff –**

- None

**B. Council Member Wells–**

- Commended the crews that participated in the city wide cleanup.

**C. Council Member Ford –**

- Thanked the crew on the city-wide cleanup. A great service the city offers.

**D. Council Member B. Franklin–**

- Absent

**E. Council Member Shaughnessy –**

- Haunt for Hirschsprung's Haunted House will be starting soon. Thanked all of the volunteers and donors that helped make it possible.

**F. Council Member Becker –**

- Complimented the city crews. They are doing a great job.

**G. Council Member Sigg –**

- Commended the city wide cleanup crew.

**H. Council Member Zornes –**

- Commended the crew working on the cleanup.

**I. Council Member A. Franklin –**

- Appreciates the great job done by the cleanup crew.
- The Farm City Days committee extends their appreciation to all of the city employees that have helped in any way with the event. They are always willing to do whatever is needed when asked.
- Attended the football game last Friday night. The new sidewalks look great. Hope in the near future we can connect them. Would like to see the balance of the sidewalk fund at the next meeting.

**J. Administrator Slauch –**

- The city was unsuccessful in obtaining a grant for a water initiative grant through the Kansas Health Foundation.
- Staff is continuing to work on the municipal code revisions. Chapter 34 will take some time to review. Following the review by staff the changes will be brought back to the council for review.

**Executive Session** – Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Becker to adjourn to executive session for non-elected personnel. Present: Mayor, Council Members, Administrator Slaugh and Fire Chief Thyer. The meeting will reconvene at 6:37 p.m.

Following the executive session Steve Jones addressed the council about an issue he has concerns about. A gentleman from out of town is parking in the city free parking by the library. His truck is full of trash and has an unappealing odor. Staff will look into the matter.

**DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

City Council Meeting 5:00 p.m. Monday October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 (Meeting will begin at the USD 257 High School, and then reconvene at Riverside Park at 6:30 p.m.)

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Monday November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**ADJOURNMENT**

**6:46 p.m.** Motion made by Council Member Becker and seconded by Council Member Wells to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approved by the City Council of the City of Iola, Kansas this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 2015.

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Mayor, Joel Wicoff

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City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton