

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Iola was held on October 11, 2016, 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, Wells, Sigg, B. Franklin, A. Franklin, Zornes, Ford and Becker were present. Also present were Administrator Fleming, Assistant Administrator Schinstock, and City Clerk Hutton. Absent was Council Member Shaughnessy.

### **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**

Donna Houser thanked Council Member A. Franklin for the great job the Farm City Days Committee did on the event.

Donna informed the group that the annual Vespers practice will begin tomorrow if anyone is interested in participating. They are trying to get 60 participants.

Donna reminded everyone that the Iola Reads Book will host a program on Thursday at the Dr. John Silas Bass Community Building at 6:30 p.m.

Donna stated that there was a rumor going around town that the football stadium had flooded. The stadium did not flood. Ground water came up. When we had the big rain last Thursday no water got into the stadium at all.

Mike Jewell asked the council to consider lowering the speed limit on Marshmallow Lane so that low speed vehicles could use that road to get back and forth to Walmart and employees of Russell Stover's could use low speed vehicles to get back and forth. He stated that some of the employees ride bicycles and walk on the road so a slower speed limit would be helpful to them also.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **A. Minutes Approval**

- September 26, 2016

#### **B. Appropriations Approval – 2016-16**

#### **C. Personnel Action**

- Ryan Smith – Gas, Water, Sewer – Annual
- Gregg Hutton – Code Services – Six Month
- Matthew Sanchez – Fire Department – Part Time Rehire

#### **D. Boy Scouts Flag Box – Approve donation of flag retirement box by Zach Sigler.**

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Dangerous/Unsafe Structure 311 S Chestnut - Resolution** – Code Enforcement Officer, Gregg Hutton, presented a resolution to hold a hearing on 311 S Chestnut after finding the house in need of repairs. The cost of the repairs will exceed more than ½ the cost of the value of the house. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Becker to approve Resolution 2016-09 holding a hearing on November 28<sup>th</sup> for the property at 311 S Chestnut. All in favor. Motion carried.

**B. Neighborhood Revitalization Plan – Renewal** – The current Neighborhood Revitalization Plan will expire on November 30, 2016. In order to renew the plan, council must call and hold a public hearing before adopting the plan. Once the public hearing is held, council may consider the plan for approval. If the council approves the plan, staff will seek the necessary inter-local cooperation with the other taxing entities within our city limits. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Zornes to set a public hearing for the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan for October 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

**C. Safe Routes to School Design Agreement** – Assistant Administrator Schinstock presented the scope of work for construction engineering of the safe routes to school project. Mayor Wicoff asked where the funding was coming for this project. Assistant Administrator Schinstock stated that the funding is coming from the capital project fund from sales tax revenue. Council Member B. Franklin asked if we always use Schwab Eaton for engineering. Assistant Administrator Schinstock stated we do not always use them but we use them frequently and they are familiar with this type of project. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Sigg to approve the scope of work for construction engineering of the safe routes to school project not to exceed \$26,777 and approve city staff to execute contract documents with Schwab-Eaton P.A. to design the project. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

### **A. Mayor Wicoff –**

- Commended the Farm City Days Committee on a great event.

### **B. Council Member Wells–**

- Commended the Farm City Days Committee on a great event.
- Would like the city to talk to the industries in the area before changing the speed limit on Marshmallow Lane.
- Kudos to city staff for their work after the storm on Thursday. They did an excellent job and worked long hours.

### **C. Council Member Ford –**

- Commended the Farm City Days Committee on a great event. It was a very well organized event.
- City crews did a great job after the storm on Thursday.
- Informed everyone that the Veterans Banners were hung by the electric crew. If anyone is interested in purchasing one for next year let the CITF group know. This is a joint effort between the CITF group, Kiwanis and the Veterans Day Committee.

### **D. Council Member B. Franklin–**

- Commended the city crews for a job well done on Thursday.
- Commended the Farm City Days Committee on a great event. The chicken and noodle dinner and the parade were wonderful.

### **E. Council Member Shaughnessy –**

- Absent

### **F. Council Member Becker –**

- Commended city crews for a job well done following the Thursday storm.
- Thanked Council Member A. Franklin for a job well done on Farm City Days.

### **G. Council Member Sigg –**

- Commended the punctual work done by the electric crew following the Thursday storm.

### **H. Council Member Zornes –**

- City crews are fantastic.
- Commended the Farm City Days Committee on a great event.

### **I. Council Member A. Franklin –**

- Noted that a lot of people deserve credit for the Farm City Days event and its success.
- City staff did a lot of the physical work and the event could not have taken place without their help.

**J. Administrator Fleming--**

- Gave an update on the Wartsila upgrade. The project is wrapping up. Just doing some fine tuning and they will be finished.
- Gave an update on the LKM conference he attended Sunday and Monday.
- Informed the council that the used Taser units will be given to the cities of Ellsworth and Humboldt once a release of liability agreement is signed.

**DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016

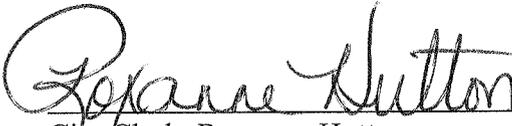
**ADJOURNMENT**

**6:32 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.



  
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Mayor, Joel Wicoff.

  
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City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton