

CITY OF IOLA

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10/24/2016

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Iola was held on October 24, 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, Shaughnessy, 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 Sigg.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tracy Keagle, representing Humanity House, was present to ask for the council to waive the rental fee and the deposit fee for a chili and pie fundraiser to be held on November 17th.

Motion made by Council Member Ford and seconded by Council Member Wells to waive the fees for the fundraiser for November 17th. All in favor. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Approval

- October 11, 2016

B. Appropriations Approval – 2016-17

C. Personnel Action

- **Ryan Sell – Fire Department – Annual**
- **Carla Smith – Administration- Six Month**
- **James Jerome – Fire Department – Twelve Month**

Council Member A. Franklin asked about the fire extinguisher contractor. Administrator Fleming explained that the contractor comes in once per year and inspects and refills as necessary all of the extinguishers in all city buildings and vehicles. Council Member A. Franklin asked if there would be any other expenses related to the new truck that was recently purchased by the fire department. Fire Chief Thyer stated that the decals had yet to be bought. Motion made by Council Member Wells to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Zornes. All in favor. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Neighborhood Revitalization Plan – Mayor Wicoff opened the public hearing. Administrator Fleming noted the abatement amounts have increased over the years. He

noted the changes within the plan were updating names and dates. No public comments were heard. Mayor Wicoff closed the public hearing. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member B. Franklin to adopt the plan for the three year time period and authorize staff to seek the appropriate inter-local cooperation with potential participating entities. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2017 Observed Holidays - The proposed 2017 holiday schedule was presented to the council for approval. Council Member Wells asked about the Employee Task Force Committee choosing the floating holiday. Administrator Fleming stated that the committee chose July 3rd as the floating holiday this year. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Becker to approve the 2017 holiday schedule for city departments and offices. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Site Plan G&W - Approval – Administrator Fleming stated that the Planning Commission approved the site plan that was presented to them on October 19, 2016 with the flowing contingencies.

1. Adjustments to utility easements to accommodate installation of city provided utilities.
2. Documentation from an engineer on storm water runoff from the proposed site to ensure it will not negatively impact the surrounding area.
3. Provide documentation in the form of an easement or contract for the shared parking area on the west side of the current medical arts building.

Staff has become aware of activities, which may impact the site plan. Any potential changes to the site plan would require resubmittal and approval by the Planning Commission and then the City Council. Council Member Wells stated that the storm water shouldn't be an issue since the site previously contained a large building and a parking lot. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member B. Franklin to approve the site plan for G&W supermarket with the necessary revisions and assurances provided by staff. All in favor. Motion carried.

C. Fire Engine Lease City of LaHarpe – In 2010, the city sold Engine #1 to the Allen County Rural Volunteers with the provision if the volunteers no longer wanted the vehicle it must be returned to the city. The volunteers have recently acquired a new truck, and have returned Engine #1 to the City of Iola. The City of LaHarpe has expressed an interest in acquiring Engine #1. Staff would like to sell the vehicle to the City of LaHarpe for \$1.00 with the agreement that the City of LaHarpe releases the City of Iola of all liability. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Zornes to approve the sale agreement with the City of LaHarpe for Engine #1. All in favor. Motion carried.

D. Cost of Living 2017 – The Social Security Administration released the cost of living adjustment (COLA) for the 2017 calendar year. The rate is 0.3%. The 2017 city

budget was approved with a 2% COLA increase. Motion made by Council Member B. Franklin and seconded by Council Member Wells to approve the COLA increase for the first pay period in 2017 at a rate of 0.3%. All in favor. Motion carried.

E. FEMA Fire Engine Grant – Administrator Fleming informed the council that staff was unsuccessful in being award a grant for an application that was submitted last December for a fire pumper truck. Staff is looking to submit the grant again this year. The cost of the vehicle is estimated at \$350,000 the grant would pay 95% of the costs associated with the purchase. If the city were awarded the grant, FEMA would contribute \$332,500 and the city’s match would be \$17,500.00 The 2017 budget did not allocate funds for the replacement of this unit, but the Fire Department has a little over \$60,000 in the Equipment Reserve Fund for a fire truck replacement. Council Member B. Franklin asked if the city received money from the Rural Fire District #2. Administrator Fleming noted that the city does receive ad valorem taxes from this district yearly. Motion made by Council Member Wells and seconded by Council Member Zornes to approve staff to submit a grant application to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to obtain a new pumper truck. All in Favor. Motion carried.

COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. Mayor Wicoff –

- None

B. Council Member Wells–

- None

C. Council Member Ford –

- Congratulated the Iola High School Football team on qualifying for regionals.

D. Council Member B. Franklin–

- Asked about a new financial report. Wondered what the affect had been on sales tax since the implementation of tobacco 21 within the city limits.

E. Council Member Shaughnessy –

- Had some concerns and possible solutions for the water drainage situation on State Street. He is tired of his building getting water in it. Council member Wells stated that an engineer study would need to be done to make sure the city is doing the right thing to correct the problem. Mayor Wicoff asked Assistant Administrator Schinstock if the on call engineer could do a scope of work and a study for the best possible solution. Assistant Administrator Schinstock stated that staff will look into getting a study done.

F. Council Member Becker –

- None

G. Council Member Sigg –

- Absent

H. Council Member Zornes –

- None

I. Council Member A. Franklin –

- None

J. Administrator Fleming--

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- Noted that he, Assistant Administrator Schinstock and city Clerk Hutton will be meeting to review the Purchasing Policy and bring recommendations to the council.

DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Monday, November 14th, 2016

ADJOURNMENT

6:27 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 14th day of November, 2016.

Council President, Donald Becker

Deputy City Clerk, Charlotte Sexton

- None

G. Council Member Sigg –

- Absent

H. Council Member Zornes –

- None

I. Council Member A. Franklin –

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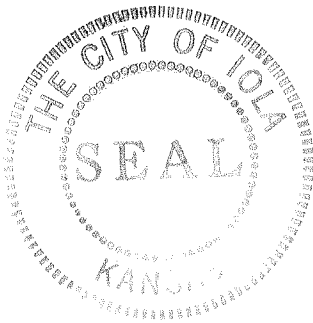
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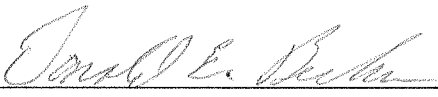
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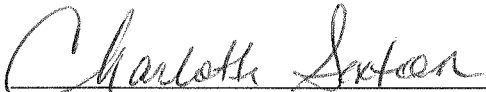
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