

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Iola was held on December 12, 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, B. Franklin, Ford, Zornes, A. Franklin, Becker and Shaughnessy were present. Also present were Administrator Fleming, Assistant Administrator Schinstock, and City Clerk Hutton. Absent were Council Member Wells and Sigg.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Sorenson thanked the council for their service and the city crews for all of their hard work.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Approval

- November 28, 2016

B. Appropriations Approval – 2016-20 and 2016-21

C. Personnel Action

- Mike Phillips – Electric Generation – Merit
- Rhonda Fulton – Police Department – Merit
- Chad Reeves- Police Department – Merit
- Jordan Oswald – Police Department – Merit
- Elisha Womelsdorf – Code Enforcement – Merit
- Corey Schinstock – Administration- Merit
- Derrick Carr- Gas, Water & Sewer – Promotion
- Dereck Womelsdorf – Gas, Water & Sewer – Promotion
- David Ingle – Police Department - Rehire

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

NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget Amendments – Public Hearing - Administrator Fleming stated that the budget amendments are necessary due to an increase in the transfers from the Waste Water and Gas funds to the General Fund. The General Fund is in need of extra revenue due to projected revenue shortfalls. The Equipment Reserve fund is being amended to accommodate the full cost of the Wartsila upgrade coming from the fund instead of being split between the Electric Fund and the Equipment Reserve Fund. The purchase of the loader by the Streets and Alleys department was also not budgeted to be expended this year. Mayor Wicoff opened the public hearing at 6:07 p.m. and asked for public comments from the audience. None were heard. Mayor Wicoff closed the public hearing at 6:08 p.m. Council Member A. Franklin asked Administrator Fleming what the reason for the revenue shortfall in the General Fund was. Administrator Fleming stated that sales tax revenue is on trend it is just lower than the amount budgeted. With the milder summer the Electric Fund revenues are down and therefore more transfers are necessary to the General Fund from the Waste Water and Gas Fund. Motion made by Council Member Becker and seconded by Council Member B. Franklin to approve the budget amendments as published. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Cereal Malt Beverage License Renewals – City Clerk Hutton presented the 2017 CMB license applicants to the council for approval. She noted that Coronado's Mexican Restaurant denied access to the Fire Department for a safety inspection. This inspection is done at all establishments prior to obtaining a CMB License. The Police Chief has signed off on the applicants. Stating there have been no violations of selling to underage customers. City Clerk Hutton informed the council that they could approve Coronado's CMB pending a completed inspection by the Fire Department or they could deny the application and when the inspection is completed it can be brought back to the council for approval. Coronado's will not be able to sell CMB after December 31, 2016. Council Member A. Franklin stated that he would like to approve Coronado's pending the inspection by the Fire Department. Motion made by Council Member Zornes and seconded by Council Member B. Franklin to approve the CMB licenses for the 2017 calendar year. Coronado's Restaurant will have to reapply to the council for approval. All in favor. Motion carried.

C. Annual Gasoline & Diesel – Bid Acceptance – Assistant Administrator Schinstock presented the annual bids received for the purchase of gasoline and diesel for the 2017 calendar year. Two bids were received one from Hampel Oil at \$0.060 per gallon for gasoline and \$0.073 for diesel and one from LeRoy Coop at \$0.058 per gallon for gasoline and \$0.065 for diesel above refinery cost. Council Member B. Franklin stated that Hampel Oil has offices located in Iola and they employ Iola residents. The price difference is pretty insignificant. Motion made by Council Member B. Franklin to award the 2017 calendar year bid for gasoline and diesel to Hampel Oil. Motion seconded by Council Member Ford. All in favor. Motion carried.

D. Annual AB-3 Rock – Bid Acceptance – Assistant Administrator Schinstock presented the annual bids received for the purchase of AB-3 rock for the 2017 calendar year. Only one bid was received from Nelson Quarries in the amount of \$8.50 per ton delivered. Staff has tried on numerous occasions to obtain rock from the county and it hasn't been available. Motion made by Council Member Becker and seconded by Council Member B. Franklin to accept the bid of \$8.50 per ton delivered for KDOT grade AB-3 crushed rock for the calendar year of 2017 from Nelson Quarries Inc. All in favor. Motion carried.

E. Community Health Center – Certificate of Support – David Toland, Representing THRIVE for Economic Development, stated that Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas has purchased the property at 2051 N. State to build a 13,000 square foot clinic. As part of the project they are asking the council to approve a certificate of support as part of the application process with the USDA Rural Development. Sophie Alexander, CHC Practice Manager, reported that the clinic will open in July of 2018 with groundbreaking in the spring of 2017. The clinic provides Medical, Dental and Behavioral Health to patients. Motion made by Council Member Ford and seconded by Council Member Zornes to approve the certificate of support for Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas application with USDA Rural Development to build a new medical, dental and behavioral health clinic in Iola and authorize the mayor and city clerk to sign the document. All in favor. Motion carried. Council Members were pleased that the clinic is growing in the Iola area.

COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

A. Mayor Wicoff –

- Noted that it has been a fast and busy year. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked them for the service to the council over the past year.

B. Council Member Wells–

- Absent

C. Council Member Ford –

- Stated that it has been a fast year. The end of the year brings many graduations and a wedding for her family. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

D. Council Member B. Franklin–

- Noted that it has been an exciting year and she is hopeful that a new industry will come to our town in the near future.

E. Council Member Shaughnessy –

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked Mr. Sorenson for the gift.

F. Council Member Becker –

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

G. Council Member Sigg –

- Absent

H. Council Member Zornes –

- Thanked Mr. Sorenson and Attorney Johnson for the gift. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

I. Council Member A. Franklin –

- Asked if the Administrative report was saving time for the staff. Administrator Fleming noted that it does save time because everyone isn't generating a weekly report. Staff is still tweaking the report to make it as informative for the council as possible. Council Member A. Franklin wondered if important information is getting to the council in a timely manner. Administrator Fleming noted that if he had specific concerns they could visit after the meeting.

J. Administrator Fleming–

- None

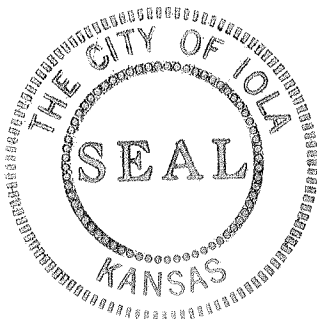
DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING


City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Monday, January 9th, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

6:28 p.m. Motion made by Council Member Becker and seconded by Council Member Zornes to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approved by the City Council of the City of Iola, Kansas this 9th day of January, 2017.





Mayor Joel Wicoff



City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton