

October 1, 2007  
6:15 P.M.  
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 1, 2007 at 6:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was given by Father Earl Dekat of St. Leo's Catholic Church.

Present: Mayor Lentz, Commissioners Forkenbrock, Luscombe and Davies.

Absent: Commissioner Krug

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2007 regular Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2007 special Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve Appropriation Ordinance #2939 (Payroll) \$32,071.16. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve Appropriation Ordinance #2940 (Disbursements) \$199,833.99. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve Appropriation Ordinance #2941 (Payroll) \$31,325.99. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve Appropriation Ordinance #2942 (Disbursements) \$37,131.81. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

### **Public Hearing on Vacating Alley**

The Code Enforcement Officer advised the Commission that there was no need to vacate the alley at John Rokita's residence because he had plenty of room to build the structures he wanted to put on the property and so the request was withdrawn.

### **Multipurpose Small Lakes Application Overview and Contacts Listing**

City Administrator, Levi Henry, presented the Commission with a review of the regulations for the program and a list of contacts from all the different agencies involved.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to authorize the City Administrator and the City Clerk to proceed with a \$4 million bond issue. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

### **Discussion of Purchase of Crosswalk Lights**

The cost of lights for the school crossings at 16<sup>th</sup> and Central are \$2,896 each. The old ones were removed a few years ago after a study done by the State of Kansas Department of Transportation. There is a grant available through the Kansas Department of Transportation for safe school crossings. It was decided that the City would apply for this grant to pay for the crossing lights. The police officers should be included in the discussions when putting together the application.

Commissioner Davies had heard that the police officers were stating that they do not issue tickets in school zones unless the individual is going more than 10 miles an hour over the speed limit and that this was because the Court did not want to prosecute anything less than 10 mph over the speed limit. Commissioner Davies contacted the Municipal Judge and he advised he did not make that statement. Commissioner Davies would like to know if this is the policy or not and if so why. The consensus of the Commission is that anyone speeding in a school zone should be stopped and either warned or issued a ticket. Commissioner Davies requested a list of tickets issued in school zones in the past be given to the Commission at the next meeting.

The City Administrator will issue a memo to direct strict enforcement of the speed limits in a school zone with either warnings or tickets.

The Assistant Chief of Police will sit at various sites and monitor and enforce the speed limits.

### **Wastewater Trickling Filter Basket Bids**

A stainless steel basket is needed for the Grit Chamber to filter debris from the sewage before it reaches the pumps. Two bids were received for this piece of equipment.

Bruce Gaskell Manufacturing	\$8,963.34
Savannah Machine	\$7,200.00

Motion by Commissioner Davies to award the bid to Savannah Machine in the amount of \$7,200 if they can have it installed in two weeks by October 12, 2007. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

### **City Administrator's Agenda**

No report.

### **Commissioner's Agenda**

### **Commissioner Krug**

Not present.

### **Commissioner Forkenbrock**

No report.

### **Commissioner Luscombe**

No report.

### **Commissioner Davies**

Commissioner Davies reported on the senior projects. He requested that “No Parking” signs be placed on the fence between the football and baseball fields.

There is no leader for the soccer program at this time.

A proposed interlocal agreement from the Brown County Commission for the Yates Avenue project was presented to the Commission for their review and to be discussed at the next meeting.

### **Mayor Tim Lentz**

Mayor Lentz requested that the Chief and Assistant Chief be at the meeting on October 15 to discuss the 6<sup>th</sup> Officer position and he would like to have input from the City Administrator. Commissioner Forkenbrock stated he would not be at the next meeting.

A copy of the proposed Police Reserves Bylaws was presented to the Commission. The Commission requested that the City Administrator, Chief of Police and Assistant Chief of Police meet and report back to the Commission on the reserve program at the next meeting.

The bids for the KANSTEP project are due by October 5 and will be on the agenda for October 15. After discussion on the color for the building a motion was made by Commissioner Davies to make the building royal blue and white. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Mayor Lentz requested that the fence at the water tower be repaired and the weeds removed.

**The Commission recessed for 5 minutes.**

### **Executive Session**

Motion by Commissioner Davies to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to include the City Administrator, City Attorney, City Clerk and Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye. No action was taken in executive session.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to go into executive session for 5 minutes for attorney/client information to include the Commission, City Attorney and City Administrator. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye. No action was taken in executive session.

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss possible acquisition of property to include the Commission, City Attorney, City Administrator and City Clerk. Seconded by Commissioner Davies. All aye. No action was taken in executive session.

Motion by Commissioner Luscombe to adjourn at 8:26 pm. Seconded by Commissioner Davies. All aye.

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Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

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Tim Lentz, Mayor