

CITY OF HUMBOLDT
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Monday, April 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp called the meeting to order with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Crawford, McReynolds, Murrow, Walburn and Weilert. Councilmembers Griffith and Julich and City Attorney Works were absent. Also present were: City Administrator Larry Tucker, City Clerk Jean Flores and Chief of Police Dan Onnen.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilmember Crawford gave the invocation.

There were no public comments.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Weilert to amend the agenda by adding: 13a- Consider bids to sell City vehicles; 15a-Appointment of Loan Committee; and 16a-City Administrator's report. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Jean Flores presented the April 7 election results as certified by the Allen County Clerk as follows:

CITY MAYOR:

Robert Sharp - 175 votes

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Ward 1, Position 3 - Sam David Murrow - 76 votes

Ward 1, Position 4 - Don Walburn - 86 votes

Ward 2, Position 3 - Dan Julich - 110 votes

Ward 2, Position 4 - Otis Crawford - 111 votes

The newly elected Councilmembers and Mayor were then given the Oath of Office by City Clerk Jean Flores.

Motion by Walburn, second by Aikins that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- a. Approval of minutes of Regular Council Meeting March 9, 2009 and Special Council meeting March 30, 2009
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1671 dated March 31, 2009 in the amount of \$170,362.92 and Warrant Ordinance No. 1672 dated April 13, 2009 in the amount of \$215,046.04
- c. Consider pool managers for 2009
- d. Fair Housing Proclamation - April 2009

Representatives from KwiKom LLC, Iola, Kansas, presented wireless internet technology. Councilmembers were asked to consider a proposal in which KwiKom would place an antenna on one or more of the City's water towers.

Motion by Walburn, second by Crawford to adopt Ordinance No. 1439, an ordinance vacating that portion of Indiana Street lying between Block Three (3) and Block Six (6) Hoss Addition to the City of Humboldt, not previously vacated; and the unopened alley running east and west in Block Six (6), Hoss Addition to the City of Humboldt, Allen County, Kansas. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Murrow to authorize the Mayor to sign and enter into a lease agreement with the Humboldt Recreation Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Murrow to table consideration of a billboard easement amendment with Ash Grove Cement Company for placement of a Walter Johnson sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by McReynolds to accept the suggested rates of the Pool Committee for the 2009 season, with pool parties to be increased to \$70. Motion carried unanimously. Rates remain the same as last year, with the exception of pool parties.

Motion by Murrow, second by McReynolds to waive camping fees at Camp Hunter and swimming pool fees on June 11 for members of Bikers Across Kansas and all citizens, and, if charged for the use of the Iola Chamber of Commerce trolley car on that date, the City will pay the costs. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion was held to consider lowering the speed limit to 20 mph on Ninth Street from Neosho to Mulberry and on Bridge Street from Sixth to Ninth. Possible action could be taken at a later date.

Motion by Aikins, second by Walburn to repair the roof at the City Square bandstand and accept the low bid of Whitworth Construction, Chanute, Kansas, of \$2,100.00 (if roof needs new decking the bid would be \$3,120.00), to be paid out of the Municipal Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Sealed bids were taken for three City vehicles: 1988 Chevy pickup, 1969 oil distribution truck and a 1993 Ford F150 pickup. Only one bid was received, \$25 on the 1993 Ford F150 pickup. Motion by Weilert, second by Aikins to reject the bid, reopen the bidding process, contact a towing service for an estimate, check on a price if the vehicles were to be scraped and to bring back a recommendation to the Council for their approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Walburn, second by Murrow to allow Charles and Cindy Stoll 60 days from today to sell their nuisance property at 1302 Osage and, if not sold by that time, the property would go through the nuisance abatement process. Motion carried unanimously. Councilmember McReynolds added that the buyer should be made aware that the property is on the nuisance list.

Motion by Murrow, second by Aikins to give 30 days notice on nuisance properties at 114 Mulberry-Kenneth Rowe, and 108 Pecan-Robert Shaughnessy. Motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor made the following appointments:

City Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals

Don Becannon - 2008-2010
Shirley Breiner - 2008-2010
Clint Hillmon - 2008-2010
Gregg Korte - 2008-2010
Mark Criger - 2008-2010
Joe Works - 2008-2010
Lorene Ellison - 2009-2012

Housing Authority - Term 4 years

Ken Johnson - Expires 2010
Dollene Jackman - Expires 2011
Nan Newman - Expires 2011
Kathy Young - Expires 2012
John Smith - Expires 2013

Humboldt Library

Ron Jarred, Jean Ranabarger, Mary McCullough, Peg Griffith,
Rosemarie Jay, Mickey Beagley and Judy Arbeiter.

Official City Newspaper - The Humboldt Union

Official Depositories - Emprise Bank, Community National Bank, Kansas Municipal Investment Pool

Loan Committee - Councilmember Sean McReynolds and Glenn Buchholz of Emprise Bank

Motion by McReynolds, second by Walburn to accept the Mayor's appointments. Motion carried unanimously.

Roger Vincent, Wastewater Plant Superintendent, gave an overview of operations at the plant. In addition, he has scheduled public tours on April 30 at 2:00 and 6:00 p.m.

City Administrator Tucker gave a brief report: April 15 Housing Action Team meeting, April 22 Planning Commission meeting; April 27 Rebuilding the Public Square meeting. He said the City had been approved for a \$18,000 grant for a walking trail on Wulf Drive.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Crawford that the Governing Body recess to executive session as authorized by the Open Meetings Law for the exception of discussion of real estate for 10 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 10 minutes at 8:25 p.m. and will resume regular session at 8:35 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp and City Administrator Tucker were requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed regular session at 8:36 p.m.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Weilert to table Agenda Item 18-Consider sale of real estate at 220 South 3rd. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Weilert to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Robert Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jean M. Flores
City Clerk