

CITY OF HUMBOLDT
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, McReynolds, Murrow and Walburn. Also present were City Administrator Larry Tucker, Chief of Police Dan Onnen, City Clerk Jean Flores and Wayne Carson. City Attorney Fred Works was absent.

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

There were no public comments.

Motion by Julich, second by Walburn to accept the Mayor's appointment of Wayne Carson as Councilmember Ward 1, Position 2, to fill the unexpired term of Jeremy Weilert. Motion carried unanimously.

Wayne Carson was sworn in by City Clerk Jean Flores.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Julich to remove Item E-Approve agreement to survey utility customers and others regarding City's gas awareness safety program with Paradigm Company, from the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford that Items A through D of 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 April 12, 2010
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1698 dated April 28, 2010 in the amount of \$39,103.82 and Warrant Ordinance No. 1699 dated May 10, 2010 in the amount of \$118,709.72
- c. Approve co-manager for 2010 swimming pool season
- d. Approve job description for swimming pool lifeguards

Motion by Aikins, second by Murrow to approve the proposal from Paradigm for the gas safety awareness project. Seven voted aye (Aikins, Carson, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, Murrow and Walburn), one voted nay (McReynolds). Motion carried.

Susan Galemore, Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission, was present to give an update and final report on the Home Repair Grant project that was started two years ago. She said 11 homeowners had been assisted with \$222,222 in grants and \$55,560 in matching funds. A total of 34 applications were received. Galemore said it might be another year before the Home Repair Grant project could start again. Councilmember Aikins thanked her for all she has done for Humboldt.

City Administrator Larry Tucker said the nuisance property at 203 Neosho, owners Guy and Mitzi Ellsworth, had been cited in court, and the nuisance property at 916 Cherokee,

owner Roy Fritch, still needs some cleanup and that Public Works Director Craig Mintz would follow up with City Attorney Fred Works on this.

Motion by Aikins, second by Murrow to cite 8th Street Auto (Roy Fritch) and send a 30-day notice to abate the untagged vehicles and junk on 8th Street. Six voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Julich, McReynolds, Murrow and Walburn), two voted nay (Carson and Griffith). Motion carried.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Julich to begin the nuisance abatement process and cite Roy Fritch, based on Craig Mintz's recommendations, at 916 Cherokee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Julich, second by McReynolds, to issue citations for inoperable vehicles to Brett Anderson, 1012 Mulberry, and Delbert Prock, 915 Leavenworth, upon the recommendation of Chief of Police Dan Onnen. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Walburn to enter into an agreement with Zingre & Associates for architectural and engineering services to renovate the HVAC system at the new city hall building. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Walburn, second by Crawford to authorize the Mayor to sign the necessary documents and obtain temporary financing from Community National Bank for the new city hall renovation project. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to approve Change Order No. 1 for the Water Line Improvement Project, which includes \$2,000 for a large water valve for 9th and Central and also replacing the 3/4" water lines in the 1000 block and 1400 block of Charles Streets. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on whether or not to increase the city sales tax by one-quarter cent for street improvements. It was the consensus of the Council that a public forum be held to get the public's opinion and possibly put this issue on the November ballot.

Several Councilmembers opposed the Mayor changing the Council Committees to Mayor Committees.

Motion by Aikins to table the Mayor's (Council) Committee appointments to the June meeting. The motion died for lack of a second.

Aikins amended her motion, and was seconded by Crawford, to table the Mayor's Committees to the next regular council meeting and to approve the Other Committees. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER COMMITTEES (TERM APPOINTMENTS):

City Planning Committee/Zoning Board of Appeals

Don Becannon - 2010-2013

Shirley Breiner - 2010-2013

Clint Hillmon - 2010-2013

Travis McCall - 2010-2013

Mark Criger - 2008-2011

Joe Works - 2008-2011
Lorene Ellison - 2009-2012

Housing Authority

Judith Blauer - Expires 2011
Nan Newman - Expires 2013
John Smith - Expires 2013
Ellie Walburn - Expires 2014
Lorene Ellison - Expires 2014

Fraud Risk Committee (Annual)

Public Library - Jean Ranabarger
Historical Society - Roland Thompson
Housing Authority - Nan Newman
City of Humboldt - Don Walburn
City Staff Member - Larry Tucker

Humboldt Library

Ron Jarred - Expires 2011
Mary McCullough - Expires 2011
Judy Arbeiter - Expires 2013
Peg Griffith - Expires 2013
Rosemarie Jay - Expires 2013
Mickey Beagley - Expires 2012
Jean Ranabarger - Expires 2012

Official City Newspaper - The Humboldt Union

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

City Administrator Larry Tucker reported on the following: Senior Housing tour to Garnett on Thursday; the swimming pool to open May 23; Rebuilding the Public Square continues to meet; and the Planning Commission continues to meet monthly.

Agenda Item 13-executive session for discussion of real estate, was taken off the agenda.

Motion by Julich, second by Walburn that the Governing Body recess to executive session as authorized by the Open Meetings Law for the exception of discussion of non-elected personnel matters for 15 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 15 minutes at 8:55 p.m. and will resume regular session at 9:10 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp was requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed regular session at 9:10 p.m.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Crawford to accept the Mayor's appointment of City Officials for 2010 as follows. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney - Fred Works

City Administrator - Larry Tucker (Two Year Appointment to 2012)
City Clerk - Jean Flores (Two Year Appointment to 2012)
Public Works Director - Craig Mintz
Assistant City Clerk - Lora Hunt
City Treasurer - Audrea Johnson
Chief of Police - Dan Onnen
Fire Chief - Kent Barfoot
Assistant Fire Chief - Dan Julich, 1st Assistant and Pete Lucke, 2nd Assistant
Municipal Judge - Ron Call

Motion by Murrow, second by Crawford to appoint Councilmember Aikins as President of the Council. Seven voted aye (Carson, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, McReynolds, Murrow and Walburn), one abstained (Aikins). Motion carried.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to adopt Ordinance No. 1452, an ordinance establishing salaries of City Officials. Seven voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, McReynolds, Murrow and Walburn), one voted nay (Carson). Motion carried.

Motion by Murrow, second by Walburn to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

/s/ Robert Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores
City Clerk