

CITY OF HUMBOLDT
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Monday, May 13, 2013 in the Community Room at City Hall. Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Crawford, Roether, Shreeve, Slater and Smith. Councilmembers Julich and Walburn were absent. Also present were City Administrator Larry Tucker, City Attorney Fred Works, City Clerk Jean Flores, Chief of Police Brian Dillow, Jeremy Bulk, Jerry Stephens and Bryan Manion.

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

Motion by Aikins, second by Slater to table Agenda Item 11-Inoperable vehicles, and to add Agenda Item 15e-Executive session for attorney-client matters. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Public Comments, Gene Reaves, 222 S. 12th, asked if the City was following codes when constructing the small building under the water tower at 7th and New York that will be used to house radios. Jeremy Bulk assured him that all guidelines had been followed. Public comments were also made by Chief of Police Brian Dillow who gave an update on the Drug Take-Back Day that was recently held, stating 20 pounds of unused drugs were collected for proper disposal, and that weed notices were being processed for lawns that needed to be mowed. He also mentioned that this is the 10th year for the D.A.R.E. program.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford 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 April 8, 2013
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1771 dated April 29, 2013 in the amount of \$152,648.57 and Warrant Ordinance No. 1772 dated May 13, 2013 in the amount of \$170,166.59

City Clerk Jean Flores read the Certification of Election results of the City General Election held April 2, 2013, as follows:

Mayor

Nobby Davis	316 votes
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Councilmember - Ward 1

Position 3

Mark Slater	127 votes
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Position 4

Shelia Bolling	58 votes
Jerry Stephens	90 votes

Councilmember - Ward 2

Position 3

Bryan D. Manion 168 votes

Position 4

Otis Crawford (write-in) 27 votes

City Clerk Jean Flores gave the Oath of Office to Nobby Davis, Mark Slater, Jerry Stephens, Bryan Manion and Otis Crawford.

Barbara Anderson, Kansas Department of Commerce, presented an award, a sign which reads, "2012-2014 Community of Excellence" to the Humboldt Pride Committee for their hard work and accomplishments on various projects.

Larry Tucker asked Councilmembers if they would be interested in having a mural painted in the Community Room at City Hall similar to the mural that local artist Harvey Peck had done years ago at the old City Hall building at 701 Bridge. At this point in time, he had no information on the cost or artist. Motion by Shreeve, second by Aikins that City staff research the details of this project, along with the fees, and bring it back to the Council when more information was available. Motion carried unanimously.

Bids on the sale of the 1973 Ford Tractor 2000, Model B 1024C were received as follows:

Jeff Collins - \$1,007.00

Craig Mintz - \$1,451.00

Motion by Shreeve, second by Crawford to accept the bid of Craig Mintz on the sale of the 1973 Ford Tractor in the amount of \$1,451.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Due to citizen concerns, the Safety Committee recently met and are recommending that the Council approve stop signs in various places on South 8th Street on a permanent basis, possibly from New York to Leavenworth on the east and west sides of the streets. Brian Dillow stated he would like to leave Pine a through street and not a 4-way stop. Councilmember Slater asked if a pedestrian sign or crosswalk could be placed at 8th and Pine. Mayor Davis suggested solar powered, flashing orange lights. Motion by Aikins, second by Shreeve to put stop signs along 8th Street, starting at Cherokee, going to Leavenworth and lower the speed limit to 20 miles per hour from Pine down 8th Street to 9th Street, and also between 8th and 9th Streets on Indiana in front of the swimming pool, and to add a crosswalk at 8th and Pine (no stop sign), all this on a permanent basis. Motion carried unanimously.

In order to improve security at City parks, the option to purchase security cameras was presented to the Council. Existing electricity, poles and wi-fi could be utilized. Sites to be included are Cannon Park, Centennial Park, Neosho River Park and the Camp Hunter Brush Dump. Motion by Slater, second by Aikins to approve the cameras on a trial basis at all the named City parks to see how it works. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Smith, second by Manion to approve Murphy Roofing Company LLC, Stark, Kansas, to repair the roof at City Hall, both the north and south sides. Motion carried unanimously. The Murphy Roofing Company bid was \$34,750.00 but, according to Rick Murphy, could be slightly higher due to the recent hailstorm.

Mary Durand, 8th grade Math teacher at USD 258, was present to request the City's participation in a grant application for sidewalk improvements for the local schools. The Kansas Department of Transportation "Safe Routes to School" grant was written by the school and would be 80/20, the City's portion would be 20%. City Administrator Larry Tucker said money could be taken from the Community Development Fund. No City labor would be involved. Motion by Shreeve, second by Roether that the City partner with the school to support the project up to \$25,000. Motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor made the following annual appointments:

City Attorney Fred Works; City Clerk Jean Flores; Assistant City Clerk Staci Johnson; City Treasurer Audrea Johnson; Chief of Police Brian Dillow; Municipal Judge Patti Miklos; City Inspector Jeremy Bulk; SEK Community Action Program and Chamber of Commerce Representative Sunny Shreeve; SEK Regional Planning Commission Representative Jerry Stephens; Swimming Pool, Parks and Buildings-Otis Crawford and Sunny Shreeve; Ordinances, Insurance and Claims-Wayne Smith and Vada Aikins; Utilities (Utility Hearing, Gas, Water and Sewer)-Otis Crawford and Joann Roether; Public Safety (ADA, Fire, Police, Animal Control)-Vada Aikins, Mark Slater and Jerry Stephens; Finance and Licenses-Vada Aikins, Jerry Stephens and Bryan Manion; Personnel-Joann Roether, Wayne Smith and Bryan Manion; Growth Committee-Sunny Shreeve, Joann Roether and Vada Aikins; Official City Newspaper-The Humboldt Union; Official Depositories-Emprise Bank, Community National Bank and Municipal Investment Pool.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to accept the Mayor's appointments. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Slater, second by Stephens to appoint Sunny Shreeve as President of the Council. Seven voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Manion, Roether, Slater, Smith and Stephens), one abstained (Shreeve). Motion carried.

City Administrator Larry Tucker gave an update on upcoming events: Housing Conversation May 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Humboldt Public Library; the League of Kansas Municipalities Mayor's Conference he recently attended with Councilmember Aikins, who at that time was recognized for achieving her Level 1 status in the Municipal Leadership Academy, with focus on education and the basics of City government; swimming pool opening date is May 25 with a free Splash Day; and the dedication of Neosho River Park to be held June 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion by Manion, second by Slater that the Governing Body recess to executive session as authorized by the Open Meetings Law for the exception of discussion of attorney-client matters. Meeting will be recessed for ten minutes at 8:40 p.m. and will resume regular session at 8:50 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall. Mayor Davis, City Administrator Larry Tucker and City Attorney Fred Works were requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed regular session at 8:50 p.m. No action was taken. Motion by Aikins, second by Shreeve to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

/s/ Nobby Davis

Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores
City Clerk