

CITY OF HUMBOLDT  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Monday, June 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Carson, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, McReynolds and Walburn. Councilmember Murrow was absent. Also present were City Administrator Larry Tucker, Chief of Police Dan Onnen, City Clerk Jean Flores, Rick Zingre-Zingre & Associates, Bill Caton-Excel Development Group, Alan Markham and Debbie Brown.

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

(7:03 p.m. City Attorney Fred Works entered the meeting.)

There were no public comments.

Motion by Crawford, second by Aikins to amend the agenda by adding Item 4c-approval of architect for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Community Building project, and 4d-approve option to purchase land for the Community Building. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Julich, second by Walburn 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 May 10, 2010
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1700 dated May 27, 2010 in the amount of \$52,230.63, Warrant Ordinance No. 1701 dated June 14, 2010 in the amount of \$109,886.29 and Water Line Project expenses for May and June

Agenda Item 4-Consider application for CDBG funding for Community Building, was moved to later in the meeting as Susan Galemore, Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission (SEKRPC) would be late.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to approve Change Order 1-Floor covering replacement, lobby area, \$3,292.45 for the Humboldt City Hall Renovations, and Change Order 2-furnish and install one 6' x 6' aluminum pan, decorated with vinyl copy. Pan sign will be painted with the divider stripe and copy applied with vinyl. Furnish and install new pan sign with vinyl copy for north elevation of building. Pan sign will be painted, with the divider stripe and copy applied with vinyl. Six voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, McReynolds and Walburn), one voted nay (Carson). Motion carried.

Motion by Walburn, second by Crawford to go with Option 2 (Replace existing duct work as needed and install single zone units for an estimated cost of \$63,000) to upgrade the heating and air conditioning system at the new City Hall building, with the heating units to be determined at a later date after the bids come in. Motion carried unanimously.

It was the consensus of the Council to grind down Central Street between 9th and 12th Street to see what the base is like and maybe only minor repairs would be necessary. Motion by Walburn, second by Aikins to approve milling on Central Street between 9th and 12th Street by Se-Kan Asphalt, Gas, Kansas, at a cost of \$12,800, to be paid out of the Consolidated Street and Highway Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Walburn, second by Julich to transfer \$60,000 from the Gas Utility Fund to apply to matching funds for the Bridge/13th/Central Street Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) repair project. Motion carried unanimously.

(7:50 p.m. Susan Galemore-Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission, entered the meeting.)

At 7:50 p.m. a Public Hearing to consider application for CDBG funding for a Community Building/Senior Center located at the Senior Housing Project north of town on 7th Street was opened. Connie Isaac stated that she and several others were not in favor of combining the Community Center with the Senior Center nor were they in favor of moving the Senior Center away from the City Square. Shirley Breiner stated that she felt the City's goal was to "fill up" downtown buildings, not vacate them. A lengthy discussion was held, with those present exploring several options and voicing opinions, such as: a community center near the Senior Housing Project would bring unwanted traffic to the housing units during graduation gatherings or family reunions; could it be moved to the east side of Arrowood to prevent this; could the Senior Center stay at its present location; could Meals-On-Wheels be served at the new City Hall basement; and the County could be contacted to see what it would take for the Senior Center to remain at its current location. The Public Hearing was closed at 8:55 p.m.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to adopt Resolution No. 061410, a Resolution certifying legal authority and authorization to apply for CDBG from the Kansas Department of Commerce, for a Community Center. Five voted aye (Aikins, Carson, Griffith, Julich and Walburn), two voted nay (Crawford and McReynolds). Motion carried. The Applicant would dedicate \$2,500 in cash funds toward the project and \$-0- in force account labor for same.

Motion by Julich, second by Aikins to approve Architectural Design Associates of Lincoln, Nebraska, as the architect for the Community Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Walburn to approve the option to purchase from Humboldt Assisted Living Center, LLC, one-half acre of land for \$5,000 for a Community Center to be located on 7th Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to accept the agreement for administrative consulting services for a 2010 Kansas Small Cities Community Development Block Grant project for a community center with SEKRPC. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Julich, second by Walburn to give authority to the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all necessary paperwork to complete the grant. Motion carried unanimously.

A 10 minute recess was taken at 9:15 p.m. to complete the necessary paperwork for Susan Galemore.

The meeting resumed regular session at 9:25 p.m.

Steven Weilert had requested a hearing for a weed notice that had been served to him for 1104 S. 10th. He was not present at the meeting, but had visited with the Mayor and Larry Tucker previously about going before the Humboldt Planning Commission to request rezoning from Residential to Agriculture so that he could continue to hay the property in question. He also agreed to tear down the old building at that location and take out the hedgerow. City Attorney Fred Works said the better way to do this would be to apply for a Special Use Permit from the Humboldt Planning Commission.

Other nuisance properties included Guy and Mitzi Ellsworth, 203 Neosho, case is in Municipal Court; Jerome McIntyre, 914 Sycamore, has obtained a Demolition Permit valid until July 8; and Roy Fritch, 916 Cherokee and 8th Street Auto, which was determined by Chief of Police Onnen and the Council to be more of an inoperable vehicle problem than nuisance properties. Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to cite Roy Fritch in Humboldt Municipal Court for inoperable vehicles at 916 Cherokee and 8th Street Auto. Five voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Julich, McReynolds and Walburn), two voted nay (Carson and Griffith). Motion carried.

Agenda Item 10-Mayor's appointment of Council Committees, was tabled.

City Administrator Larry Tucker gave a brief report: City received a \$25,000 grant for exercise equipment along the Walking Trail/Centennial Park; Don Becannon was elected Chairman of the Humboldt Planning Commission; a Public Forum to discuss street improvements will be held at the Humboldt Public Library June 28 at 7:00 p.m.; and a dedication will be held July 2 at River Park for the recent improvements.

Motion by McReynolds, 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 10 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 10 minutes at 9:45 p.m. and will resume regular session at 9:55 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp, City Attorney Fred Works, City Administrator Larry Tucker, Alan Markham and Debbie Brown were requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

(9:50 p.m. Alan Markham and Debbie Brown exited the executive session).

The meeting resumed regular session at 9:55 p.m.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich that the Governing Body recess to executive session as authorized by the Open Meetings Law for the exception of discussion of acquisition of real estate for 5 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 5 minutes at 9:55 p.m. and will resume regular session at 10:00 p.m. in the Humboldt Public Library meeting room. Mayor Sharp, City Attorney Fred Works and City Administrator Larry Tucker were requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed regular session at 10:00 p.m.

Agenda Item 15-Consider sale of property, was tabled.

Motion by Julich, second by McReynolds to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

/s/ Robert Sharp  
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores  
City Clerk