

CITY OF HUMBOLDT
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2011 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall. Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Carson, Crawford, Julich, Smith, Shreeve and Walburn. Councilmember Murrow was absent. Also present were: City Administrator Larry Tucker, City Clerk Jean Flores, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Roger Vincent, Chief of Police Brian Dillow, Phil Jarred and Neil Phillips-Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, Melinda Herder and Jean Ranabarger-Humboldt Public Library, Cliff Ralstin-The Humboldt Union, Bob Johnson-The Iola Register, Don Becannon, Lorene Ellison, Chris Flores and Ed Harner.

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

There were no public comments.

City Administrator Larry Tucker announced the resignation of Councilmember Sam Murrow from Ward 1, Position 3, as he no longer resides in Ward 1. The resignation is effective immediately. Anyone interested in the position should inquire at City Hall and the Governing Body will appoint an elector of the ward for the balance of the unexpired term.

Motion by Walburn, 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 July 11, 2011 and Special Council Meeting August 1, 2011
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1729 dated July 28, 2011 in the amount of \$38,642.44 and Warrant Ordinance No. 1730 dated August 15, 2011 in the amount of \$98,467.30
- c. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1463-Standard Traffic Ordinance and Ordinance No. 1464-Uniform Public Offense Code
- d. Approve disposal of City police vehicle

(Vehicles to be disposed of are a 1998 Ford Crown Victoria, blue in color, and 2000 Ford Crown Victoria, silver in color.)

Neil Phillips-Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, presented the 2010 audit.

A Public Hearing on the 2012 budget was opened at 7:55 p.m. There being no public comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:57 p.m.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to accept the 2012 Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Renewal of the contract with JKS Sanitation to continue trash pickup service was tabled.

(8:07 p.m. Councilmember Don Walburn exited the meeting.)

Motion by Aikins, second by Carson to allow up to \$16,500 for Chief of Police Dillow to purchase a used highway patrol car of his choice, to be used as a police vehicle. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to take up to \$16,500 out of the Sanitation Fund to be used for the purchase of the above mentioned police vehicle. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to transfer monies from the Gas Utility Fund that are in the form of a Certificate of Deposit at Community National Bank in the amount of \$120,000.00 and pay off equipment lease-purchases, except the generators. Motion carried unanimously.

Equipment lease-purchases to be paid off are: Gas/Water skid steer, Street/Alley mosquito sprayer, Park lawnmower, Street/Alley sweeper, Police vehicle, Water Plant lawnmower and Sewer Plant lawnmower, for a principal balance and accrued interest as of October 15, 2011 of \$87,050.00.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to accept the agreement with Carson & Son Animal Control, Toronto, Kansas, for at least a period of time. Four voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Julich and Smith), two nay (Carson and Shreeve). Motion carried.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to adopt Ordinance No. 1465, an ordinance amending the Zoning District Map of Humboldt, Kansas, that the zoning designation for the following described real property be changed from C-2, General Commercial District, to R-2, Two Family Dwelling District, to-wit: The West Half of Lot Seven (7) in the East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E/2 NE/4) of Section Nine (9), Township Twenty-six (26) South, Range Eighteen (18) East of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Allen County, Kansas (commonly known as 1205 South Ninth). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Carson to give authority to the Mayor and City Administrator to allow for a part-time building inspector, possibly Jeffrey R. Bauer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Julich, second by Aikins to accept the Mayor's appointment of Councilmembers Wayne Carson and Sunny Shreeve to the Growth Committee (due to the resignation of Councilmember Otis Crawford from the Committee). Five voted aye (Aikins, Crawford, Julich, Shreeve and Smith), one abstained (Carson). Motion carried.

City Administrator Larry Tucker reported on the following: Progress is being made on the Senior Housing Project, hot asphalt street repairs are being made with equipment loaned by the City of Chanute, swimming pool attendance is good this season, and the Fire/Ambulance Building Committee continues to meet to possibly pursue a grant, but have now shifted their focus towards the purchase of a fire truck which would be custom-made for the Humboldt Volunteer Fire Department.

Mayor Davis stated that, before the hot asphalt equipment is returned to the City of Chanute, that streets around both schools, a path for the Biblesta parade, and all of 8th Street where it was chipped and sealed, be treated. He expressed his appreciation to

the City of Chanute for the use of the machine and also to Joe Works, B&W Custom Truck Beds, for the use of the truck to transport the oil that the City of Humboldt purchased for the project. It was the consensus of the Mayor and Councilmembers that thank-you letters be sent to The City of Chanute and Joe Works.

Motion by Aikins, second by Carson that the Governing Body recess to executive session as authorized by the Open Meetings Law for the exception of discussion of non-elected personnel for 10 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 10 minutes at 9:12 p.m. and will resume regular session at 9:22 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall. Mayor Davis, City Attorney Works, City Administrator Tucker and Chief of Police Dillow were requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to give authority to hire another police officer only if there would be a vacancy arise in the Police Department. Motion carried unanimously. (There is currently a hiring freeze).

Councilmember Julich asked that the Police Department Reserve program be put on the agenda for the September Council Meeting.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

/s/ Nobby Davis
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores
City Clerk