

CITY OF HUMBOLDT
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2008 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 21, 2008 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, Crawford, Griffith, Julich, McReynolds and Walburn. Also present were City Administrator Larry Tucker, City Clerk Jean Flores and Chief of Police Dan Onnen. Councilmembers Murrow and Weilert and City Attorney Fred Works were absent.

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

There were no public comments.

Motion by Aikins, 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 September 8, 2008 and Special Council Meeting September 22, 2008
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1659 dated September 30, 2008 in the amount of \$42,016.12 and Warrant Ordinance No. 1660 dated October 13, 2008 in the amount of \$304,253.89
- c. Proclamation recognizing 100 year birthday of Victoria Wigelsworth

A Public Hearing for the USDA loan application for water system improvements was opened at 7:03 p.m. Christie McReynolds was present to answer questions from the public. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:09 p.m. Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to include Phase 2 in the loan application. Motion carried unanimously. Total project cost is \$1,467,100.

Motion by Aikins, second by Julich to adopt Resolution No. 10-21-08A, a resolution to incorporate designated bicycle lanes in Humboldt. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Walburn, second by Crawford to accept the low bid of \$412,400 from Carrother's Construction, Paola, Kansas, for swimming pool improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

Bids received:

Carrother's Construction	Paola, KS	\$412,400
Branco Enterprises	Neosho, MO	\$443,000
Continental Pools	Gardner, KS	\$482,000
Aquatic Creations	Kansas City, MO	\$586,050

Due to the absence of the City Attorney, the contract for JKS Sanitation will be presented for approval at the November Regular Council Meeting.

Motion by Aikins, second by McReynolds to adopt Ordinance No. 1433, an ordinance amending the rates to be charged for sewer service by the City of Humboldt, Kansas,

and amending Section 15-323 of the Humboldt Municipal Code and repealing the existing section there. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Julich, second by Crawford to purchase \$576.00 in communication equipment for the City's Cox Cable TV channel. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Walburn to accept the low bid of \$6,900.00 from ASAP Recovery Service, Humboldt, Kansas, for improvements to the ambulance building living quarters. Motion carried unanimously. The improvements include installation of an awning to the west exit door, installation of two new windows, installation of air conditioner in the wall and insulate/sheet rock/paint and trim the exterior walls.

Bids received:

ASAP Recovery Service	Humboldt, KS	\$6,900
Hofer and Hofer	Humboldt, KS	\$12,831

Motion by Julich, second by Crawford to commit \$10,000 for matching grant funds for improvements to the west side of River Park. Motion carried unanimously. David Toland, Thrive Allen County, Inc., will present the final plans to the Council at a later date.

Motion by Julich, second by Aikins to approve funds from the Municipal Equipment Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$22,000 for park improvements and electrical work south of the Humboldt Swimming Pool. Motion carried unanimously. Park improvements will include a sand volleyball court, playground equipment, picnic tables and landscaping. The electrical work will consist of Westar Energy replacing electric poles south of the pool pump house with underground conduit. City Administrator Larry Tucker will present a recommendation for the parking area at a later date.

Due to the absence of the City Attorney, an ordinance to adopt the City Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals by-laws was tabled to a later date.

Motion by Julich, second by Crawford to adopt Resolution No. 10-21-08B, a resolution adopting an Identity Theft Prevention Program for the City of Humboldt. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief of Police Dan Onnen said there were no vehicle nuisances to report this month.

City Administrator Tucker reported that the City is working with Roy Fritch, 8th Street Auto, and the State so that he can be in compliance with his auto salvage yard located at 821 N. 8th with work to be completed within 30 days.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Crawford to take the following action on nuisance properties: Brian Ikehorn, 221 New York, allow 30 additional days for clean-up; Jerry Naff, 1114 Bridge, allow 30 additional days for improvements and issue a building permit; Scott Barnhart, 718 N. 7th, extend demolition permit 30 days; April Miller, 412 N. 10th, allow 30 additional days to make improvements; Pat Litherland, 1007 Osage, issue court citation; Mike Dillon, 322 Pine, allow 30 additional days for demolition; Cindy Liles, 404 Mulberry, issue court citation; Eddie Ewing, 404 Pine, Humboldt Municipal Court to

make a determination; Don Cress, 720 N. 2nd, allow 30 additional days for improvements or demolition. Motion carried unanimously.

Bids were received for demolition and cleanup of the nuisance property at 220 S. 3rd owned by the Shults family. Councilmember McReynolds suggested that since the owner has no interest in the property, that the City should ask for the deed in return for the cost of the cleanup. City Administrator Larry Tucker will seek advice from the City Attorney on this matter to see what action can be taken.

Due to the absence of the City Attorney, the lease-purchase agreement with Community National Bank to finance the purchase of Emprise Bank building was tabled.

City Administrator Tucker reported on the following: City Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals to meet October 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the Humboldt Public Library meeting room; Rebuilding the Public Square continues to meet with plans for another Community Conversation in January; Annual League of Kansas Municipalities meeting was held in October, in which he attended, along with Councilmembers Aikins and Crawford; Kansas Municipal Gas Agency annual meeting will be November 6 with the executive board meeting to be held in Salina on October 22; and he thanked all City staff and citizens for making this year's Biblesta a success.

Motion by Julich, second by Crawford 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 5 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 5 minutes at 9:00 p.m. and will resume regular session at 9:05 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 9:05 p.m.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Aikins to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

/s/ Robert Sharp
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores
City Clerk