

CITY OF HUMBOLDT  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.

The Council met in regular session on Monday, November 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the new City Hall, 725 Bridge. Mayor Sharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Aikins, Crawford, Julich, McReynolds, Murrow and Walburn. Councilmember Griffith and City Attorney Fred Works were absent. Also present were City Administrator Larry Tucker, Chief of Police Dan Onnen and City Clerk Jean Flores.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

(7:03 p.m. Councilmember Carson entered the meeting).

Councilmember Crawford gave the invocation.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Walburn, second by Julich 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 October 18, 2010
- b. Warrant Ordinance No. 1710 dated October 28, 2010 in the amount of \$123,137.77, Warrant Ordinance No. 1711 dated November 8, 2010 in the amount of \$89,797.49, Water Line Project expenses in the amount of \$189,131.26 and City Hall Project expenses in the amount of \$30,503.69
- c. Approval of Resolution No. 11-08-10A to waive Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures (GAAP)

Motion by Murrow, second by Aikins to approve the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan change in territory as presented by the Growth Committee and the Housing Action Team, which identifies two areas which would be eligible for tax rebates on new improvements. Those two areas are Central Business District-Neosho Street between 6th and 10th Street south to Cherokee Street (continues from the original plan), and West Humboldt-9th Street north to Franklin Street and west to the Neosho River City Limits and to the southwest City Limits and east to 9th Street and north along 9th to the Central Business District (new territory). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Julich, second by Walburn to adopt Resolution No. 11-08-10B, a resolution authorizing certain water system improvements to be made in the City of Humboldt, Kansas, and authorizing general obligation bonds to be issued in an amount not to exceed \$1,270,000 to pay the cost of such improvements, all pursuant to K.S.A. 65-163d through 65-163u and allow the Mayor to sign all documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to approve the Water Line Project Change Order for pressure line replacement, 15th & Charles-added main not on plans; Charles from

10th to 11th-added main not on plans; Neosho from 14th to 15th-added main not on plans; curb replacement; additional saw cutting and replacement of curb along Bridge Street for a total of \$10,692.84. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Aikins, second by Crawford to apply for a 75/25 cost sharing grant with the State of Kansas for a storm siren to be placed at Cannon Park, the cost to be taken out of the General Fund (in-kind services are accepted). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Murrow to table Agenda Item #8-consider repairs or replacement of skid steer equipment, until the Public Works Department can be consulted as to why the engine needs to be replaced so soon on a fairly new piece of equipment, whether it be due to improper operation, failure to perform daily maintenance, or otherwise. It was the consensus of the Council that the skid steer had not been properly maintained or operated and they were not ready at this time to take action on repairs or replacement parts for the engine.

City Administrator Larry Tucker gave a brief report: Veterans' Day celebration November 11 at noon at the City Square; Christmas tree lighting in the City Square on November 29 at 6:00 p.m.; Downtown Enhancement Plans will be on display at City Hall; new City Hall open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on December 3; City Employee Christmas party (potluck dinner) will be December 6, at 6:00 p.m. for employees, Mayor and Councilmembers and their families at City Hall.

Larry Tucker also informed the Council that he was recently notified that the Humboldt City Limits now include a portion of 224 Highway from 9th Street east to the railroad tracks. Due to an oversight in Topeka, this was not discovered until recently.

Motion by McReynolds, 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 15 minutes. Meeting will be recessed for 15 minutes at 8:10 p.m. and will resume regular session at 8:25 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall. Mayor Sharp, City Administrator Larry Tucker and Chief of Police Dan Onnen were requested to be present in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed regular session at 8:26 p.m.

Motion by Murrow to hire a part-time Court Clerk to perform only the Court Clerk duties listed under the Police Department Office Manager/Municipal Court Clerk job description and taking out the duties of the Police Department Office Manager. After some discussion, Murrow amended his motion as follows: Motion by Murrow, second by McReynolds to hire a part-time Court Clerk for no more than 1,040 hours per year to perform the duties listed under Municipal Court Clerk, including the marginal functions, but not to include duties listed under Police Department Office Manager. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 12-consider sale of real estate, was tabled.

Councilmembers Walburn and McReynolds questioned whether or not it was necessary that Roy Moorehouse, inspector for the Water Line Project, would need the assistance of a City Maintenance Worker, if the overtime was necessary, and requested that City Administrator Larry Tucker research the grant for the rules on an inspector and report back.

Councilmember Murrow asked if something could be done with the ditch on private property between Moon's Hometown Market and the Church as this area floods in the springtime and endangers homes with flooding.

Motion by McReynolds, second by Murrow to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

/s/ Robert Sharp  
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Jean M. Flores  
City Clerk