

**STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OTTAWA, KANSAS
Minutes of
September 27, 2010**

The Governing Body met at 4 pm this date with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Reed, Commissioner Ramsey, Commissioner Humm, Commissioner Jorgensen, and Commissioner Fler. A quorum was present.

Mayor Reed called the meeting to order and asked for Public Comments.

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

Youth in Government

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a proposed list of Youth in Government members requesting to be sworn in for 2010-2011. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed to place this item on the October 6, 2010 Regular Meeting Agenda.

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey announced he would not be in attendance for the October 6, 2010, Regular City Commission Meeting.

Proclamation-Community Planning Month

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a proclamation recognizing October 2010 as Community Planning Month and agreed to place this item on the next regular meeting agenda.

Proclamation-Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a proclamation recognizing October 2010 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and agreed to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda.

Proclamation-Fire Prevention Week

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a proclamation recognizing October 4-10, 2010 as Fire Prevention Week and agreed to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda.

Kansas Babe Ruth State Champions

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a proclamation recognizing the 14-Year-Old Ottawa All-Stars as the Kansas Babe Ruth State Champions and agreed to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda.

Resolution-Tax Exemption Policy

Thereupon, the Governing Body continued discussion establishing the policy and procedures for tax exemptions and incentives for economic development. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed to place this item on the October 4, 2010 Study Session for further discussion.

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Monthly Financial and Activity Report for July

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed Monthly Financial and Activity Report for the month of July.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt reported on the following:

- Two annexations will be coming to the Governing Body
- League Regional Dinners, Nov. 17 at 6 pm
- City and County will support each other in Planning for T-Works Funding

Thereupon, Director of Finance Scott Bird requested approval from the Governing Body to move forward with an agreement with KDOT to borrow \$153,000 for 5 years towards a resurfacing project from Poplar to Cottonwood. Mr. Bird requested approval for the City Manager's signature to proceed. Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fler, to approve the request. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the request duly approved.

Commissioners' Report

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen discussed the current overlay project being done in the area of 15th & Main.

Thereupon, Commissioner Humm announced she wouldn't be able to attend the Kansas League of Municipalities Conference and will not be in attendance for the October 6th Regular Commission meeting.

Thereupon, Commissioner Humm inquired if it would be acceptable for the OU Student Senate Representative to attend the first City Commission meeting of the month and make a report.

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey stated he had no problem with an OU Representative reporting to the Governing Body about "What is Happening" at OU.

Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed by consensus to allow an OU Student Senate Representative report to the Governing Body on the first Wednesday of each month at the Regular City Commission Meeting.

Executive Session

Recess

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to recess into Executive Session for Attorney-Client Privilege with the City Manager and City Attorney present for a period of 10 minutes. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly recessed at 4:55 pm.

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Reconvene

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to reconvene the meeting at 5:05 pm. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly reconvened into Regular Study Session.

Recess

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Humm, to recess back into Executive Session to continue discussion on Attorney-Client privilege for a period of 5 minutes. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly recessed at 5:06 pm.

Reconvene

Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to reconvene the meeting at 5:11 pm. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly reconvened into Regular Study Session.

The League of Kansas Municipalities Conference

Thereupon, the Governing Body discussed which meeting each Commissioner would be attending at the conference.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Humm made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fleer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly adjourned at 5:12 pm.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk

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