

**CITY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Commission Chambers
101 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas
Minutes of October 20, 2010**

The City Governing Body met at 9:30 am this date for the Regular City Commission Meeting with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Reed, Commissioner Humm, Commissioner Ramsey, Commissioner Jorgensen and Commissioner Fler. A quorum was present.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and welcomed the Chamber Audience and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the invocation was given by Director of Finance Scott Bird.

Consent Agenda

Thereupon, Commissioner Humm made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda included the agenda and minutes from the October 4, 2010 Study Session Meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the Consent Agenda duly approved.

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

Declaration

Thereupon, the Mayor asked the City Commission for declarations of any conflict or outside communications that might influence their ability to impartially consider today's issues and come to a fair decision. None were declared.

Proclamation-Month of the Young Adolescent

Thereupon, in conjunction with the National Middle School Association, the City of Ottawa proclaims October as the Month of the Young Adolescent, recognizing ages 10 through 15 as a significant developmental period for the physical, mental, social, moral and emotional growth of our youth. Thereupon, Commissioner Humm read the proclamation and the proclamation was accepted by Becky Nevergold, Executive Director of Communities in Schools-Ottawa.

Proclamation-Lights on After School!

Thereupon, *Lights on After School! Day* is Thursday, October 21, and reminds citizens to support after-school programs such as the elementary schools' *Reach for the Stars After-School Program*, and the *Whirlwind After-School Program* at the Ottawa Middle School. Thereupon, Commissioner Fler read the proclamation and the proclamation was accepted by Becky Nevergold, Executive Director of Communities in Schools-Ottawa.

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Proclamation-Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Thereupon, Domestic Violence Awareness Month focuses attention on battered women and their children and promotes the support of shelters and community programs that serve them. Thereupon, Mayor Reed read the proclamation and the proclamation was accepted by Franklin County Program Coordinator, Willow Domestic Violence Center Melissa Haenchen.

Contract for Sale of Real Estate

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a contract for sale of Real Estate. Thereupon, Commissioner Humm made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fleer, to approve the contract.

During discussion it was explained this contract sets the terms of sale of Lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, Block B, in the Northeast Ottawa Industrial Park to MacFasteners, Inc. Thereupon, Director of Finance Scott Bird explained the total purchase price was \$17,500 per acre with the property being 2.3 acres; making total purchase price \$40,250.00. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the contract for sale of real estate duly approved.

Agreement-Ottawa/Franklin County Economic Development

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a request to approve the agreement with Ottawa/Franklin County Economic Development, Inc. for 2011 Economic Development Services. Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to approve the agreement.

During discussion it was explained the proposed agreement is the annual contract for economic development services which is up for renewal. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the agreement duly approved.

Resolution-Franklin County Multi-Jurisdictional Mitigation Plan

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a resolution adopting the Franklin County Multi-Jurisdictional Mitigation Plan for the City of Ottawa, Kansas. Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to adopt the resolution.

During discussion it was explained "Hazard Mitigation" is a technical term for reducing the risk to people and property from natural hazards. Franklin County Emergency Preparedness coordinator Alan Radcliffe has requested the City adopt the Franklin County Mitigation Plan. This plan has been developed in coordination with Franklin County and its cities and school districts, and complies with the requirements of the Federal Disaster Act of 2000. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted and the resolution was duly numbered Resolution No. 1534-10.

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2010 “Celebrate Ottawa” Photo Contest

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed recognition of the “Mayor’s Choice” Winner of the 2010 “Celebrate Ottawa” Photo contest.

During discussion it was explained October is National Community Planning Month. In celebration of this month, the Planning and Codes Administration department sponsored the Third Annual Ottawa Photo Contest. The Planning Commission judged 33 photographs submitted by 11 individuals. Winners were recognized by the Planning Commission. Warren Smith and Nicole Huffman tied as overall winners in the class of 19 and older; Gabriel Taylor won the overall youth prize. The winner of the City employees’ category was Wynndee Lee, Director of Planning and Codes. The Mayor’s Choice Award is awarded to “Kanza Winter Lights,” another photograph taken by Wynndee Lee.

Announcements

Thereupon, the Mayor announced:

1. October 20, 2010: Joint City/County/USD 290 Luncheon, Noon, USD 290 416 S Main
2. October 25, 2010: Study Session, 4 pm, Ottawa Municipal Airport
3. October 25, 2010: Open House, Ottawa Municipal Airport, 5:15 pm
4. November 3, 2010: Next Regular Meeting at 7 pm
5. November 30, 2010: Legislative Dinner, 5:30 pm Cyclone Room, Ottawa High School

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Fler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, 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 9:54 am.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk

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