

**STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OTTAWA, KANSAS
Minutes of
February 7, 2011**

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

Fundraiser-Ottawa Main Street

Thereupon, the Governing Body continued discussion regarding a request from Ottawa Main Street Association to allow a fundraising event on City property on Saturday, June 11, 2011.

Thereupon, Commissioner Humm stated she had received positive comments from those who thought it was a good idea.

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey stated he had received negative comments. Comments he received were that the City should not promote this type of event on City property.

Thereupon, City Attorney Bob Bezek explained the City does have an obligation, with the event being requested on City property, to assure there is an agreement that provides detail on operation and clean up.

Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed by consensus to allow Ottawa Main Street to move forward on providing a written agreement to the City for review.

Thereupon, the City Attorney clarified the consensus of the Governing Body to review a written agreement was not a vote towards approval.

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt stated the issue brought to his attention regarding this event is that the City endorses programs that encourage responsibility like "Dare Camp" versus holding an event on city property where alcohol is permitted is sending messages that are in conflict with one another.

Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed this item would be discussed further before being placed on an agenda for a vote.

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KDOT Federal Fund Exchange Program

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Director of Public Works Andy Haney who discussed the Federal Fund Exchange offered by KDOT. Mr. Haney provided the following as a proposed project list (with the first two being more of a priority):

- Slurry Seal
- Mill & Overlay
- Design & Construct Traffic Signal
- Pedestrian Access

This item will be brought back for further discussion.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, the City Manager reported on the following:

- Mayor Reed & City Manager will be attending City Hall Days February 9th
- Positive changes have been made to the League of Kansas Municipalities fall conference schedule which will save cost and be held less days
- Requested Assistant Leslie Quillen discuss upcoming events where the "Take Charge Challenge" information will be available. Ms. Quillen provided an update on upcoming events

City Commissioners' Report

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey stated the Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce is discussing the reduction of Board Members.

Mayor's Report

Thereupon, the Mayor announced the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, is March 9, 2011, at 7:30 am-9:30 am, at Faith Lutheran Church, 1320 W. 15th Street and tickets are required.

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.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk

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