

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

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

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

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

2011 Employee Service Awards

Thereupon, Mayor Ramsey announced the 2011 Employee Service Awards will be presented at the November 16, 2011 Regular Meeting. Eighteen employees will be recognized for a total of 365 years of service.

2012 OFCED Agreement

Thereupon, the Governing Body discussed the proposed 2012 OFCED Agreement and agreed to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda on November 16, 2011.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt stated he would like the Governing Body to prepare an agenda for the Annual Legislative Dinner on November 29, 2011.

Commissioner's Reports

Thereupon, Commissioner Caylor announced she and City Manager Richard Nienstedt will be attending the National League of Cities (NLC) Congress of Cities November 9-12, 2011 in Phoenix, AZ.

Thereupon, Commissioner Reed reported on her attendance of the recent Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA) meeting with City staff where they reviewed Fiscal Fitness of municipal utilities.

Thereupon, Commissioner Richards reported on the following:

- Demolition of house on North Main
- Citizen concerns about ORC programs and new facility

Mayor's Report

Thereupon, Mayor Ramsey reported on the following:

- Light at the intersection going into Love's Truck Stop is now working
- Veterans Day Parade brought a tremendous crowd to the community

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Thereupon, Mayor Ramsey introduced two Youth in Government (YIG) Representatives, Jordan Gray and Ciera Gardner. Jordan reported the first YIG meeting of the new school year has been scheduled at the ECKAN offices at 6:30 pm this same evening.

Open Agenda

Thereupon, Director of Planning/Codes/Inspections Wynndee Lee announced the Kanza Park playground dedication will be held Monday, November 14, 2011 at 3:45 pm in Kanza Park.

Announcements

Thereupon, the Mayor announced:

- November 11, 2011: Veterans Day – City offices closed
- November 14, 2011: Kanza Park playground dedication at 3:45 pm in Kanza Park
- November 14, 2011: Study Session at 4 pm
- November 16, 2011: Next Regular Meeting at 9:30 am
- November 16, 2011: no Joint/City/County/USD 290 Luncheon
- November 17, 2011: League of Kansas Municipalities Regional Legislative Supper, Leawood, Ks at 5:30 pm

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Caylor, 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