

City of Hays
City Commission
Work Session Notes
April 4, 2013

Present: Troy Hickman, Kent Steward, Henry Schwaller IV, Ron Mellick, Eber Phelps, John Bird, Toby Dougherty

Sister Cities Advisory Board

Ann Leiker, Ed Stehno, and Mehran Shadidi appeared before the Commission to discuss the goals and functions of the Sister Cities organization. The City of Hays contributes financial support to the group. Commissioner Mellick commented that it is up to the Commissioners to provide guidance to the group and relay what the Commission's expectations are.

Further discussion will take place at a future work session to provide guidance.

A-1 Scaffold MFG., Inc. Tax Abatement

Nunc Pro Tunc Ordinance No. 3811, approved on February 28, 2013, was passed by the Commissioners to change the date of a previously passed ordinance. This was done at the request of A-1's attorneys in order to satisfy the Court of Tax Appeals. A-1 supplied the wrong date and now it is necessary to approve a second Nunc Pro Tunc Ordinance No. 3811.

The Commissioners will be requested to approve the amended ordinance at the April 11, 2013 Commission meeting.

Other Items for Discussion

Commissioner Steward stated he had been contacted by a business owner along Vine Street about providing more information to the public about accessing his business during the Vine Street Reconstruction Project. Public education will be provided via the Hays website.

Commissioner Steward stated that the City is offering free buffalo seed to any citizen in the community who converts their lawn from fescue to buffalo grass. He would rather this program be treated as a rebate instead of a give-away program. Endeavors are underway and staff will report back on this at a later work session.

The work session was adjourned.

Submitted by: _____

Doris Wing – City Clerk