

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF HAYS, KANSAS
HELD ON MAY 26, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: The Governing Body of the City of Hays, Kansas met in regular session on Thursday, May 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

Absent: Henry Schwaller IV

Chairperson Wasinger declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

2. MINUTES: There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular session held on May 12, 2011; the minutes stand approved as presented.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Finance Director Kim Rupp reported that month-to-date sales tax collections for the Sports Complex totaled \$187,339, which is an increase of \$16,957 when compared to last year. Year-to-date collections are \$921,848 and year-to-date expenditures are \$150. Inception-to-date collections total \$5,261,028 and inception-to-date expenditures are \$7,128,075. General Fund sales tax collections continued on an upward trend in April with a month-to-date increase of \$42,704, bringing the year-to-date up 13.04% from a year ago. Year-to-date collections for the General Fund are \$2,266,083. The six month running average on sales tax collections is up 8.02%. At this same time last year, collections were down -\$207,527 or -9.38% for the General Fund.

The Finance/City Clerk's Office invested \$7,500,000 of maturing or renewing certificates with a weighted average interest rate of .44%. The portfolio of certificates of deposit on April 30, 2011 totaled \$39,000,000 with a weighted average interest rate of .4124%. The total balance of the Money Market account

on April 30, 2011 was \$750,000 with a current yield of .15%. Total investments are down \$3,500,000 from a year ago.

Ron Mellick moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that the Financial Statement for the month of April 2011 be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS: There were no comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA: A. Troy Hickman moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the following mayoral appointments be approved:

Airport Advisory Committee

Don Benjamin – unexpired term to expire April 30, 2012

Mike Konz – three-year term to expire April 30, 2014

Errol Wuertz – three-year term to expire April 30, 2014

Hays Area Board of Zoning Appeals

Dana Cunningham – term to expire May 1, 2013

Bill Wilson – term to expire May 1, 2013

Hays Area Planning Commission

Jim Fouts – three-year term to expire April 30, 2014

Jake Glover – three-year term to expire April 30, 2014

Lawrence Gould – three-year term to expire April 30, 2014

Emery Jennings – three-year term to expire April 30, 2014

Hays Beautification Committee

Vaughn O'Dea – three-year term to expire August 1, 2014

Hays Public Library Board

David Dunn – four-year term to expire April 30, 2015

Public Wholesale Water Supply District #15 Board

Joe Glassman – three-year term to expire March 1, 2014

James Leiker – three-year term to expire March 1, 2014

Sister Cities Advisory Board

Avi Kempinski – unexpired term to expire January 1, 2013

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

B. Chairperson Wasinger presented the following mayoral appointments to be approved at the June 9, 2011 Commission meeting.

Ellis County Wellhead Protection Committee

Bill Wilson – three-year term to expire May 1, 2014

NEW BUSINESS

6. HAYS NEIGHBORS' WALKWAY REHABILITATION AND ACCESSIBILITY

PROJECT: Hays Neighbors plans to apply for a grant to repair sidewalks in the Historic Hays University District. Owners of 175 properties in the District have been contacted about the Walkway Rehabilitation and Accessibility Project. The owners of 100 of these properties have signed a document granting Hays Neighbors and/or their contracted service providers access to their property and full rights to any and all rebates or other financial incentives offered or provided by the City in relation to sidewalk repair and necessary tree removal. Additionally, Hays Neighbors requested that sidewalks be installed on a section of Elm Street across from Lewis Field Stadium. This area has never had sidewalks and is used heavily by students, community members and visitors to Hays. The cost to include sidewalks along Elm is \$2,734.62, bringing the City's total contribution to the project to \$29,588.54.

Paul Wildeman, representing Hays Neighbors, requested formal Commission approval for this cost estimate before the grant proposal, which totals \$152,727, is submitted.

Chairperson Wasinger recused herself from the discussion and vote because she is a property owner in the District.

Kent Steward moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the request from Hays Neighbors for funding for a Walkway Rehabilitation and Accessibility Project be approved.

Commissioner Mellick suggested that funding for the new construction of sidewalks on Elm Street be taken out of the Commission Financial Policy Projects line item.

Commissioner Steward amended his motion; Commissioner Mellick approved the amended motion.

Vote: Ayes: Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

Not Voting: Barbara Wasinger

7. 2011 FIREWORKS RESOLUTION: It is required that a resolution be adopted prior to June 15th every year setting the days and hours for the consumer use of fireworks within the city limits. Staff is recommending allowing use between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and midnight on July 1st – 5th.

Troy Hickman moved, Kent Steward seconded, that Resolution No. 2011-008, being a resolution setting the days and hours for consumer use of fireworks within the city limits of the city of Hays, Kansas for 2011.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

8. BICKLE-SCHMIDT SPORTS COMPLEX COMMUNICATION SERVICE RFP

AWARD: The Bickle-Schmidt Sports Complex naming rights process realized an opportunity to gain necessary communication through the exchange of promotion and marketing. The Project Development Advisory Committee and City staff developed a Request for Proposals for communication services to be provided at no cost to the City.

Nex-Tech and Eagle Communications submitted proposals. Both companies met the minimum requirements; however only Nex-Tech responded

to Section 2, which listed additional services including a monetary contribution of \$25,000.

Ron Mellick moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with Nex-Tech for communication services at Bickle-Schmidt Sports Complex.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Ron Mellick

9. ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HAYS AND THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE 48 INC. (FOP):

Ron Mellick moved, Kent Steward seconded, that the Addendum to the Memorandum of Agreement for 2012 between the City of Hays and Hays Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 48 Inc., be approved, and the Mayor, City Manager, and Police Chief be authorized to sign the Addendum.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Ron Mellick

10. ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HAYS AND THE FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 2119 (IAFF):

Barbara Wasinger moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that the Addendum to the Memorandum of Agreement for 2012 between the City of Hays and the Hays Firefighters Local 2119, be approved and that the Mayor, City Manager, and the Fire Chief be authorized to sign the Addendum.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Ron Mellick

11. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Toby Dougherty announced that tentative agreement has been reached with the Service

Employees International Union for 2012, which will be brought to the June 5, 2011 work session for discussion with action to be taken at the June 12, 2011 Commission meeting.

The City Manager urged citizens to go on-line at planhays.com and fill out a survey, which is part of the comprehensive planning process.

City Manager Dougherty stated that two weeks ago the Commission authorized a wildlife study to be completed at the Hays Regional Airport, which may result in the City being required to build a fence around the Airport. The City has to follow certain guidelines to maintain its classification and to receive future funding on airport projects, therefore, it is required that the City follow FAA recommendations, one of which deems this study necessary. FAA will pay for 95% of the study and the fence, if the fence is required.

Assistant City Manager Paul Briseno presented his monthly report on City projects and activities that have taken place during the past month.

12. COMMISSION INQUIRIES AND COMMENTS: Finance Director Kim Rupp announced that City Clerk Doris Wing celebrated her 45th anniversary of working for the City of Hays on May 25th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Submitted by: _____

City Clerk