

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF HAYS, KANSAS
HELD ON JULY 24, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: The Governing Body of the City of Hays, Kansas met in regular session on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Eber Phelps

Ron Mellick

Kent Steward

Absent: Henry Schwaller IV

Shaun Musil

Vice-Chairperson Phelps declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

2. MINUTES: There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the regular session held on July 10, 2014; the minutes stand approved as presented.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Finance Director Kim Rupp reported that month-to-date general fund sales tax collections were at \$609,416 which is an increase of \$41,780 as compared to last year. This puts the year-to-date general fund sales tax collections up \$6,402 or .18%.

The Finance/City Clerk's Office invested \$7,000,000 of maturing or renewing certificates with a weighted average interest rate of .22%. The portfolio of certificates of deposit on June 30, 2014 totaled \$55,050,000 with a weighted average interest rate of .23%. The total balance of the Money Market account on June 30, 2014 was \$1,000,000 with a current yield of .20%. Total investments are up \$1,150,000 when compared to this time last year.

Ron Mellick moved, Kent Steward seconded, that the Financial Statement for the month of June, 2014 be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Eber Phelps
Ron Mellick
Kent Steward

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS: There were no comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA: The following proposed mayoral appointments were presented and are scheduled to be approved at the August 14, 2014 Commission meeting:

Building Trades Board

Robert Meier (Electrical Rep) – unexpired term to expire August 27, 2016

Fort Hays Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board

Ron Augustine – unexpired term to expire July 1, 2017

Jim Krob – 3-year term to expire July 1, 2017

Hays Convention & Visitors Bureau Advisory Committee

Tammy Younger (Fort Hays State Historic Site) – unexpired term to expire December 1, 2015

Hays Housing Authority Board

Elizabeth Innes – unexpired term to expire February 14, 2018

Kent Steward moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the consent agenda be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Eber Phelps
Ron Mellick
Kent Steward

NEW BUSINESS

6. 2013 Audit: As required by Kansas Statute, the City of Hays hires an outside firm to conduct an annual audit of City finances. The audit represents an unbiased opinion of business practices and the financial soundness of all City funds.

Ken Beran and Melissa Romme of Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball presented the 2013 Audit Report.

Kent Steward moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the 2013 Audit for the City of Hays as presented by Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball, be accepted.

Vote: Ayes: Eber Phelps
Ron Mellick
Kent Steward

7. FUNDING OF UNITED EXPRESS MARKETING CAMPAIGN: When the City Commission recommended the selection of SkyWest Airlines to the U.S. Department of Transportation, it obligated \$50,000 for marketing assistance. City staff would like the Commission to authorize \$25,000 of Financial Policy Projects monies for funding assistance of the initial United Express marketing campaign. This money will be coupled with dollars provided by the Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Airport marketing account, and the Ellis County Coalition for Economic Development.

Ron Mellick moved, Kent Steward seconded, to approve the use of \$25,000 of City Commission Financial Policy Projects monies for the funding of the United Express marketing campaign.

Vote: Ayes: Eber Phelps
Ron Mellick
Kent Steward

8. SCHEDULE OF BUDGET HEARING: Kent Steward moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the date of August 14, 2014 be set for a public hearing on the 2015 Budget.

Vote: Ayes: Eber Phelps
Ron Mellick
Kent Steward

9. PROGRESS REPORT: Assistant City Manager Paul Briseno presented a monthly report of city-related activities, services, and programs.

10. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER: The City Manager had no additional items to report on.

11. COMMISSION INQUIRIES AND COMMENTS: Vice-Chairperson Phelps complimented City staff on all the work done preparing the 2015 Budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Submitted by: _____

Brenda Kitchen – City Clerk