

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF HAYS, KANSAS
HELD ON JULY 11, 2002

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: The Governing Body of the City of Hays, Kansas met in regular session on Thursday, July 11, 2002 at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Henry Schwaller IV
Troy Hickman
Dick Bedard
Larry Schmidt
Absent: Sunell Koerner

2. MINUTES: Troy Hickman moved, Dick Bedard seconded, that the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 27, 2002, be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Henry Schwaller IV
Troy Hickman
Dick Bedard
Larry Schmidt

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS: Heather Winklepleck, representing the Parents Hold the Key Planning Committee, presented an overview of the Parents Hold the Key campaign that is funded in part by Special Liquor Tax funds.

4. CONSENT ITEMS: A. Dick Bedard moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that a Cereal Malt Beverage License be approved for China Garden, 2503 Vine Street.

Vote: Ayes: Henry Schwaller IV
Troy Hickman
Dick Bedard
Larry Schmidt

NEW BUSINESS

5. CITY OF HAYS INSURANCE RENEWAL: Rich Kraemer, representing Insurance Planning, reported that insurance rates for property, auto and liability insurance coverage will increase substantially for the 2002/2003 policy year. Rates were starting to go up gradually before the September 11th terrorist attacks, but rapidly increased after that date.

City Manager Randy Gustafson stated that staff has discussed raising the deductible on some of the older vehicles. Staff will be going through a risk management and loss control process this next year trying to find ways to trim premium costs. Within the next two years, the entire insurance package will be put out to bid. Overall, he is pleased with the bid and the coverage provided by Insurance Planning.

Troy Hickman moved, Dick Bedard seconded, that the proposed renewal of City insurance with Insurance Planning for the City's property, auto and liability coverage for the 2002/2003 year, be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Henry Schwaller IV

Troy Hickman

Dick Bedard

Larry Schmidt

6. ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR SUNRISE PARK: City Manager Randy Gustafson stated this particular "spray park" feature is a kit format. He requested the Commission not approve the hiring of a consultant. City staff is capable of doing this project.

There were no objections.

7. REPLAT OF LOT ONE, BLOCK FIVE, CENTENNIAL ESTATES SIXTH ADDITION AND REPLAT OF BLOCK TWO, CENTENNIAL ESTATES FIFTH ADDITION: This replat has been reviewed and passed by the Planning Commission without any objections.

Troy Hickman moved, Dick Bedard seconded, that the Replat of Lot One, Block Five, Centennial Estates Sixth Addition and Replat of Block Two, Centennial Estates Fifth Addition, be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Henry Schwaller IV

Troy Hickman

Dick Bedard

Larry Schmidt

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Dick Bedard moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that the Governing Body adjourn to executive session for 45 minutes at 8:05 p.m. for the purpose of discussing attorney-client privileged matters. The executive session will include the City Commission, the City Manager, the Assistant City Manager, and the City Attorney.

Vote: Ayes: Henry Schwaller IV

Troy Hickman

Dick Bedard

Larry Schmidt

Mayor Schwaller called the meeting back to order at 8:35 p.m. He stated that no action was taken during executive session.

9. COMMISSION INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: City Manager Gustafson stated that tours of various City departments will be on Wednesday, July 17th, starting at 5:30 p.m. The proposed 2003 Budget will be reviewed at a work session on Thursday, July 18th starting at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Schwaller requested that the Hays Recreation Commission provide information concerning revenues and expenses to date for this year and also for the same time period last year for the Hays Aquatic Park.

10. ADD-ON ITEMS: City Manager Gustafson stated that a request has been made to lease East Frontier Park for a family reunion. Park Director Jeff Boyle does not recommend leasing East Frontier Park because this does not allow the general public to utilize any of the facilities. It is Mr. Boyle's opinion that leases should only be allowed for Municipal Park. This park is considered as an ideal location for larger groups.

Commissioner Schmidt stated Municipal Park should be the park that is leased, unless there is a conflict.

Larry Schmidt moved, Dick Bedard seconded, that a lease with the Wayne Billinger Family for the use of Municipal Park on July 27, 2002, be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Henry Schwaller IV

Troy Hickman

Dick Bedard

Larry Schmidt

Mayor Schwaller asked if the City has a contingency plan when railway traffic is blocking many of the northbound/southbound streets during an emergency. He requested staff look into this matter.

Thereupon the Governing Body adjourned.

Submitted by: _____

Clerk of the Board