CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

March 5, 2024 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024 with Mayor Pat Landes presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Pat Landes, Ronna Larson, Jeff Underhill, Al Gordon and Richard Pinaire. Staff present was: City Manager Dinkel, City Clerk Melton, Finance Director Miller, and City Attorney Stites.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Lathrop, 1508 Saint Mary's Road, Junction City, Kansas spoke in support of a new Animal Shelter and the needs of the facility.

Desree Pettera, 3224 Old Highway 40, Junction City, Kansas is concerned with the proposed City Commission Procedures public comment process. Wanted input on annexations and what was not provided on past property. Also concerned with word that a Kansas City Developer bought over a hundred lots for low budget houses and concerned we will have migrants living in them.

Robert Lowery and Dotti Kell, 522 West 1st Street, Junction City, Kansas spoke on a major dirty water problem they experienced for 14 days.

Brad Chauncey, 1161 Saint Mary's Road, Junction City, Kansas needing power for properties in the entire Sutter Highlands Subdivision.

Ryan Wilson, 950 Court Street, Clay Center, Kansas spoke on concerns with the proposed rules as a newspaper feels that the government should be as open as possible.

CONSENT AGENDA

*Denotes items discussed.

Item pulled from the agenda:

*Commissioner Pinaire removed this item to express his desire for a list of employee names and wages. He chooses to abstain from voting on this.

b. Consideration of Payroll No. 3 & No. 4.

Commissioner Underhill moved, seconded by Commissioner Larson to approve Payroll No. 3 & No. 4 as presented. Ayes: Landes, Underhill, Larson, and Gordon. Nays: None. Abstain: Pinaire. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pinaire moved, seconded by Commissioner Larson to approve the remaining consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Landes, Underhill, Larson, Gordon, and Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

a. Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-5 dated – February 20th, 2024 – March 6th, 2024, in the amount of $320,350.73 and pre-approval for items listed below in the amount $244,163.76.

   Clayton Holdings $240,281.99, Stormont Vail Health $679.36, Freedom Claims Management, Inc. $1,482.17, & Pomp's Tire Service $1,720.24.

c. Consideration of City Commission Minutes for the February 20th, 2024 Meeting.
d. Consideration of the Cereal Malt Beverage licenses for U-Stop until December 31, 2024.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

There was a presentation on the Animal Shelter by Animal Shelter Director Gray.

NEW BUSINESS

The City Commission Procedures was presented. City Manager Dinkel and City Attorney Stites gave details and answered questions.

Change Order #5 for the 2023 Water System Improvements to J&K Contracting, L.C. in the amount of $57,299.00 was presented. Public Works Director Ibarra and City Manager Dinkel gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve Change Order #5 for the 2023 Water System Improvements to J&K Contracting, L.C. in the amount not to exceed $57,299.00, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The request for additional work on the 2023 Water System Improvements to J&K Contracting, L.C. in the amount of $250,000.00 was presented. Public Works Director Ibarra and City Manager Dinkel gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve the request for additional work on the 2023 Water System Improvements to J&K Contracting, L.C. in the amount not to exceed $250,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried

The request for Cart Path Improvements at Rolling Meadows Golf Course was presented. City Manager Dinkel gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the request for Cart Path Improvements at Rolling Meadows Golf Course, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The request from JCFD to surplus department furniture & items was presented. Fire Chief Lankas gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the request from JCFD to surplus department furniture & items, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The request to surplus a 1988 Freightliner Cab-Over Mass Causality Unit & equipment was presented. Fire Chief Lankas gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the request to surplus a 1988 Freightliner Cab-Over Mass Causality Unit & equipment, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The request to surplus a 2006 Pierce Engine & equipment was presented. Fire Chief Lankas gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Gordon moved to approve the request to surplus a 2006 Pierce Engine & equipment, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The request to apply for the Walmart Community Grant to supply the Fire Department with Special Operations Equipment was presented. Fire Chief Lankas gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve the request to apply for the Walmart Community Grant to supply the Fire Department with Special Operations Equipment, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session to discuss matters regarding non-elected personnel was held. Commissioner Underhill moved that the Commission recess for an executive session to include the City Attorney and City Manager for 5 minutes at 9:05 p.m. to discuss matters regarding non-elected personnel. The justification for the executive session is to protect the privacy of the employee's personnel record and is provided by KSA 75-4319(b)(1). The open meeting is to resume in this room at 9:10 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Underhill moved to return from executive session where no actions were taken and no decisions were made, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

MAYOR, COMMISSIONER & STAFF COMMENTS

Mayor, Commissioners and Staff provided reports on Committees and Community Events.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Underhill moved, seconded by Commissioner Larson to adjourn at 9:26 p.m. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MARCH 5TH, 2024.

Tammy Melton, City Clerk

Pat Landes, Mayor