

**REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jim Falkner presiding.

Present:

MAYOR JIM FALKNER  
COMMISSIONER DON EDWARDS  
COMMISSIONER MARCUS KASTLER  
COMMISSIONER JUSTIN MARTIN  
COMMISSIONER CHRIS WILLIAMS

City Staff in attendance were:

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JAMES GRIMMETT  
CITY CLERK CINDY PRICE  
CITY ATTORNEY PAUL KRITZ  
FINANCE DIRECTOR STEPHANIE RICHARDSON  
IT DIRECTOR CHRIS FELIX  
POLICE CHIEF TONY CELESTE  
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR CHUCK SHIVELY  
ELECTRIC UTILITY DIRECTOR GENE RATZLAFF  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPUTY DIRECTOR JIM BRADSHAW  
HR OFFICER MARILYNN EVENSON  
ASSISTANT TO CITY MANAGER TRISHA PURDON

- A. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Jim Falkner
- B. INVOCATION** – Pastor John Dixon, Emmanuel Southern Baptist Church
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**
- D. REVIEW OF AGENDA**
- E. CONSENT AGENDA**
1. Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, February 10, 2015
  2. 2015 Appropriation Ordinance No. AO-15-03 – \$5,408,640.86  
MOTION: Move to approve the consent agenda as presented.  
  
ACTION: FALKNER                      SECOND: MARTIN  
          ALL AYE
- REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**
- F. PUBLIC HEARING(s), SPECIAL PRESENTATION(s), & PROCLAMATION(s).**
1. Library Annual Update – Katie Hill
    - Librarian Katie Hill updated the Commissioners on the library renovation and 2014 activities.

**G. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

The public is free to comment on items not listed on agenda. Public participation is welcome and encouraged for all items on the agenda as the topics are discussed. Please be mindful of others who may also wish to speak and limit your time at the podium appropriately.

- Rodney Robson, owner of C&K Liquor, and Greg Vowell, owner of Quicker Liquor, informed Commissioners a petition is being circulated protesting the recently passed ordinance allowing Sunday sales of alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverage. He stated the liquor stores were not approached about Sunday sales, nor was a feasibility study done and three of the four liquor stores are not in favor of selling alcohol on Sunday.
- Doug Mund, 206 W. Martin, thanked the City for the recent improvements at North Park.
- Delores Gorley stated she is proud to work at the Senior Center.

**H. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Ordinance No. S-15-01 – Second Reading of an Ordinance to issue taxable electric utility system revenue bonds.

- Garth Herrmann, Gilmore & Bell, stated this ordinance and the accompanying resolutions authorize the City to issue and sell electric utility system revenue bonds to fund the New Generation project.

MOTION: Move to approve Ordinance No. S-15-01 for adoption.

ACTION: EDWARDS                      SECOND: FALKNER  
          ALL AYE

2. Resolution No. R-15-20 – A Resolution to authorize the sale of taxable electric utility system revenue bonds.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution No. R-15-20 for adoption.

ACTION: EDWARDS                      SECOND: FALKNER  
          ALL AYE

3. Resolution No. R-15-21 – A Resolution to authorize the sale of electric utility system revenue bonds.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution No. R-15-21 for adoption.

ACTION: FALKNER                      SECOND: MARTIN  
          ALL AYE

4. Ordinance No. S-15-02 – Second Reading of an Ordinance to approve an annual renewal of the ten-year property tax exemption-incentive for Four State Maintenance.

- Assistant to City Manager Trisha Purdon stated additional information regarding the tax exemption has been provided to Commissioners and Four State is meeting two of the four areas which are to be considered in renewals. Tom Tipton stated their original projects were put together based on the history of the company and not on the future, and the current staff has been very diligent in getting information together. Rick Thompson stated Coffeyville Industries sold Four State their original building in the 1980's. The tax abatements they have received have given them a reason to stay here rather than

expanding their operation in another community. Mayor Falkner stated these agreements need to be fair for the businesses asking for the incentives and fair for the taxpayers.

**MOTION:** Move to approve Ordinance No. S-15-02 for adoption granting Four State Maintenance a 75% tax abatement.

**ACTION:** KASTLER                      **SECOND:** EDWARDS  
ALL AYE EXCEPT MARTIN & WILLIAMS WHO VOTED NO

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Resolution No. R-15-22 – A Resolution to execute a community development block grant agreement with the Department of Commerce.

- Public Works Director Chuck Shively stated the City has been awarded a community development block grant for milling and overlay of 9<sup>th</sup> Street from Camden to Hall including full depth concrete replacement of the Read Street intersection and installation of required ADA handicap accessible ramps at all intersections and curb and gutter replacement as necessary. In addition to approving the agreement, it is a requirement of the Kansas Department of Commerce a code of ethics for projects using CDBG funding, a program procurement plan and a civil rights/fair housing policy be approved.

**MOTION:** Move to approve Resolution No. R-15-22, R-15-23, R15-24 and R-15-25 for adoption.

**ACTION:** WILLIAMS                      **SECOND:** MARTIN  
ALL AYE

2. Resolution No. R-15-23 – A Resolution to adopt a Code of Ethics for projects using Kansas Department of Commerce CDBG funding.

- Included with Item I-1.

3. Resolution No. R-15-24 – A Resolution to adopt a City of Coffeyville Community Block Grant Program Procurement Plan.

- Included with Item I-1.

4. Resolution No. R-15-25 – A Resolution to authorize the adoption of a Civil Rights/Fair Housing Policy.

- Included with Item I-1.

5. Discussion on Hibu Yellowbook Advertising.

- Interim City Manager James Grimmett stated the advertising in the current Hibu Yellowbook was done at the request of the former city manager. City Clerk Cindy Price stated the information in the previous Yellowbook was incorrect; staff negotiated with the company to get the invoice lowered. Commissioner Williams stated he is not in favor of utilizing taxpayers dollars to advertise in the yellow pages. Commissioners concurred.

6. Discussion on R-15-26 – A Resolution to oppose Kansas State Legislature’s S Sub SB 171.

- City Clerk Cindy Price stated the Kansas Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections approved S Sub SB 171 which included moving city elections to the fall of odd years.

Staff has been following this bill and recommends commission adopt a resolution stating their opposition to the bill moving the local elections from the spring to the fall.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution No. R-15-26 for adoption.

ACTION: WILLIAMS                      SECOND: MARTIN  
ALL AYE KASTLER WHO VOTED NO.

7. Discussion on city manager search.
  - Interim City Manager James Grimmert reported there are 30 applicants so far; the League has narrowed the list to the top 7 or 8.
8. City Manager Report
  - Interim City Manager James Grimmert gave an update on department activities.
9. Comments from Commissioners and Staff
  - Police Chief Tony Celeste stated applications are being accepted for a Police Citizen's Academy which will begin April 2 and run for 12 weeks.
  - Assistant to City Manager Trisha Purdon reported a database has been received from Whittaker and Associates targeting specific businesses to fill the Amazon building. Information will be mailed followed by phone calls.
  - City Clerk Cindy Price stated quotes have been requested for the survey to be mailed to registered voters regarding the building projects.
  - Commissioner Edwards asked about the cost of brick crosswalks in the downtown. Chuck Shively stated there are 23 crosswalks; the cost would be approximately \$115,000 utilizing stamped concrete. Edwards also requested an update on cleaning out the pond at the golf course.
  - Commissioner Martin about putting a crosswalk on Cline near the entrance to the Sherwin Williams Park parking lot. Shively noted previous school administration had not wanted a crosswalk.

**J. EXECUTIVE SESSION(s)**

1. Non-elected personnel

MOTION: Move to recess to Executive Session for discussion of non-elected personnel to reconvene on or before 10:00 p.m.

ACTION: FALKNER                      SECOND: EDWARDS  
ALL AYE

Time the meeting was reconvened: 9:45 p.m.

Mayor Falkner stated no action as a result of Executive Session.

**K. GENERAL STAFF, COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS AND MINUTES**

1. Police Department report
2. CRC Report

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L. ADJOURN

MOTION: Move to adjourn.

ACTION: MOTION: FALKNER SECOND: WILLIAMS  
ALL AYE

Time the meeting was adjourned: 9:45 p.m.

Date the minutes were approved: 03/10/15.

Cindy Price  
Cindy Price, City Clerk