

July 30, 2001
6:00 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, July 30, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Room.

Prayer by Candy Schmitt.

Present: Mayor Bohannon and Commissioners Groshong, Dave McClain, Lentz and John McClain.

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2001 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Groshong to approve appropriation ordinances #2618 (Payroll) in the amount of \$34,185.55 and #2619 (Disbursements) in the amount of \$97,950.94. Seconded by Commissioner Dave McClain. All aye.

Bids for Demolition of 540 E. 15th

Bids for the demolition of 540 E. 15th were as follows:

Gideon Excavating, St. Marys, Kansas	\$9,655.00
Stirton Bros. Trucking, Horton, Kansas	\$2,950.00
Kevin Stirton Trucking, Horton, Kansas	\$4,528.92

Motion by Commissioner John McClain to award the contract for demolition to Stirton Bros. Trucking in the amount of \$2,950. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Cemetery Complaints

Several citizens appeared before the Commission to complain about the condition of the grass at the Horton City Cemetery. It was noted that weeds are at least 3 feet tall.

Motion by Commissioner Groshong to give the current contractor 1-week to get the grass mowed and trimmed and to keep it up or forfeit the contract. Seconded by Commissioner John McClain. Aye—Commissioners John McClain, Don Groshong, and Mayor Bohannon. Nay—Commissioners Dave McClain and Lentz.

Ordinance to Approve the Transfer of Cable Television Franchise

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain to adopt Ordinance #1034, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AND APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF THE CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE IN THE CITY OF HORTON, (THE "CITY") GRANTED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 789, DATED NOVEMBER 22, 1976 (THE "FRANCHISE ORDINANCE") AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 973 DATED OCTOBER 2, 1995; AMENDING THE FRANCHISE ORDINANCE IN CERTAIN RESPECTS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THE CAPTION; AND PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE TRANSFER. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Pole Rental Agreement

Motion by Commissioner John McClain to approve the pole rental agreement with Carson Communications at a cost of \$1.83 per pole per year. Seconded by Commissioner Dave McClain. All aye.

Kansas Source Water Assessment Program

Motion by Commissioner John McClain to partner with Kansas Department of Health and Environment for the Kansas Source Water Assessment. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Civil Rights/Fair Housing Policy

Motion by Commissioner John McClain to adopt the Civil Rights/Fair Housing Policy for the CDBG project. Seconded by Commissioner Groshong. All aye.

Resolution to Set Hearing Date for Demolition

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain to adopt Resolution 01-0730, A RESOLUTION FIXING THE TIME AND PLACE AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HORTON, KANSAS, AT WHICH TIME THE OWNER, HIS AGENT, LIENHOLDERS OF RECORD, AND OCCUPANTS OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURES AND CONDITIONS SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED, DEMOLISHED OR REMOVED OR MADE SAFE AS TO THE SAID DANGEROUS STRUCTURES OR DANGEROUS CONDITIONS. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

City Administrator's Agenda

The National Guard will contact the City the first part of August to set a time to work on the Firing Range. Mr. Evans contacted the Department of Wildlife and Parks to request an 18-month extension.

The Department of Transportation requested that the City stripe 73 Highway north of 15th and east of Central. After some discussion the east leg of 73 Highway will be striped and the north leg will be left as is until the KLINK project next year.

The Department of Commerce and Housing will not pay the contractor out of CDBG funds for work done on one of the rehabilitations because it was warranty work and the original contractor was not given an opportunity to correct the work. The contractor, Chuck Harris, has not turned in an itemized bill as requested.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Lentz

Norman Ross, Fish and Game Club requested that the lily pads be eliminated at the Little Lake to allow for better fishing.

Commissioner John McClain

Commissioner John McClain inquired about the status of the collapsed downtown building. Paula Beach could not make the meeting and will possibly be at the next meeting.

Commissioner John McClain wanted to publicly thank the other commissioners for voting for generation.

Commissioner John McClain asked that the Administrator look into systematically controlling the watershed and would like to see a siltation pond on every source into the lake.

Kevin Stirton had some questions concerning insurances required on the demolition bids and in particular the workmen's compensation requirements.

Mayor Bohannon

Mayor Bohannon requested that someone come to the next meeting to discuss the building downtown.

Commissioner Groshong

Tony Ramirez approached Commissioner Groshong about opening the road by his residence. The road was previously closed to keep people from driving on the soccer fields. The City Clerk will check the minutes to see if this was a temporary or permanent action.

It was decided that the road on the East Side of the soccer field should not be chip and sealed but kept rocked.

Motion by Commissioner Groshong to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss personnel. Seconded by Dave McClain. All aye. Upon reconvening, a motion was made by Commissioner Groshong to go back into executive session for another 15 minutes to discuss personnel. No action was taken.

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain that after 2 years of service to the City the employees receive longevity pay in the amount of \$100 and be given \$100 for each year of service up to a maximum of \$1000. Seconded by Commissioner John McClain. Aye—Commissioners Groshong, Dave McClain, Lentz and John McClain. Nay—Mayor Bohannon, stating that there should be no raise when the majority of the employees make more than the state average salaries.

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain to publish the budget setting the hearing date for August 20, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. Aye—Commissioners Groshong, Dave McClain, Lentz and John McClain. Nay—Mayor Bohannon, stating that is was due to the longevity pay being added.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

Jeanne Thomas-Bohannon, Mayor