

November 19, 2001
6:00 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, November 19, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Room.

Candy Schmitt opened the meeting with prayer.

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

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2001 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Groshong. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Dave McClain to approve appropriation ordinances #2635 (Payroll) in the amount of \$25,028.55 and #2636 (Disbursements) in the amount of \$74,907.67. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Bonnie Miller—Report on AFLAC

Ms. Miller reported the savings the City had made during the 2001 year. During 2001 the actual amount per month that was saved was \$113.17. The estimated amount to be saved in 2002 will be \$253.44. Ms. Miller thought there was good participation in the program and that it would probably increase. The Commission agreed to continue offering the AFLAC Cafeteria plan and the Unreimbursed Medical plan.

Ken Fairchild—Recommendations on Bids for Generation

The bids for the engine-generator for the electric department were opened on November 15, 2001 by Mr. Fairchild and the City Clerk. The bids received were as follows:

GNC Power Co., Dallas, TX	\$510,000 base bid
Martin Engine Systems, Topeka, KS	\$530,885 alternate bid
Inco, Inc., Rocky Mountain, NC	\$459,736.58 base bid
	\$434,807.50 alternate bid
	\$442,730.84 alternate bid
	\$405,347.91 alternate bid
Dean Machinery Co., Kansas City, MO	\$1,509,300 alternate bid (new)
Hunt Engine, Inc., Harvey, LA	\$786,930 base bid
Industrial Diesel Service, Inc, Carrollton, MO	\$793,443.50 alternate bid

Mr. Fairchild had reviewed the bids and recommended the Alternate #1 bid from Inco, Inc. Motion by Commissioner John McClain to purchase an EMD engine-generator from Inco, Inc. at a cost of \$434,807.50. Seconded by Commissioner Dave McClain. All aye.

Bob Carson—Discussion of the new services and rates for Cable Television

Mr. Carson presented the Commission with information concerning the new cable television system. The company will begin switching over to the new system on November 26, 2001. This will cause residents to be out of service for periods of time. A new rate card was given to the Commission as well as a channel card. Residents will receive a letter giving them the information. The rates for basic will raise \$4.00 per month but will not take effect until February 1, 2001.

Cereal Malt Beverage License—King's Super Store, Dennis Watkins

Motion by Commissioner Groshong to approve a cereal malt beverage license for Dennis Watkins at King's Super Store. Seconded by Commissioner Dave McClain. All aye.

City Administrator's Agenda

The National Guard has approved doing the berms for the firing range but they are not sure if it will be in 2002 or 2003. They will notify Mr. Evans as soon as they know a definite date.

There will be no meeting on December 31, 2001 because of the holiday.

The Christmas decorations are up and HADC donated some funds toward the purchase of new decorations for the Christmas tree.

On test well sites one of the wells tested high in nitrates.

The police force is back to full capacity, another new officer was hired.

Motion by Mayor Bohannon to approve payment of H16 on the housing rehabilitation program in the amount of \$13,175.00 to Ken's Home repair, contingent upon final paperwork being turned in. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Groshong

Commissioner Groshong requested that the City check to see if the Kickapoo Tribe might be able to help with the firing range. Commissioner McClain will check with them to see if they have the proper equipment.

Commissioner Groshong requested that the garage bay be kept clean so that patrol vehicles can be parked there.

Commissioner Groshong inquired about the progress of the wage schedule Mr. Evans will have a report ready for the December 17, 2001 meeting.

Commissioner Groshong stated that there have been reports of drug trafficking and he will talk with the Chief of Police about increasing the police activity in that area.

Motion by Commissioner Groshong to go into executive session for 3 minutes to discuss personnel. Seconded by Commissioner Dave McClain. All aye. Upon reconvening, Mayor Bohannon stated that no action was taken.

Commissioner Lentz

Commissioner Lentz stated that there were snow route signs at the street barn that need to be put up. It was noted that last year at commission meeting it was decided to try publicizing the snow routes and asking the citizens to voluntarily abide by them. The consensus of the Commission is that the signs should be installed at this time.

Mayor Bohannon

Mayor Bohannon reminded everyone that the Christmas Kickoff would be held downtown on Friday, November 23, 2001.

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

Jeanne Thomas-Bohannon, Mayor