

December 3, 2001
6:00 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, December 3, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Room.

Candy Schmitt opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Mayor Bohannon and Commissioners Lentz and John McClain.

Absent: Commissioners Groshong and Dave McClain.

Motion by Commissioner Lentz to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2001 regular meeting.
Seconded by Commissioner John McClain. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner John McClain to approve appropriation ordinances #2637 (Payroll) in the amount of \$28,277.67 and #2638 (Disbursements) in the amount of \$28,127.70. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Review of Pole Rental Agreement with Carson Communications

The pole rental agreement states that it is to be reviewed December 1st of each year and the amount of the pole rental may be increased up to an equal amount of the rate increases by Carson Communications. The rate increase will be 14.31%. Mr. Carson pointed out that of the \$4.00 increase \$3.40 of that is programming costs and that the company has made a substantial investment in the community.

Motion by Mayor Bohannon to increase the pole rental by 14.31%, which would go from \$1.83 per pole to \$2.10 per pole. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Terry Koppa—Discussion of the Closed Alley Between E. 3rd and E. 4th in the 300 block.

Mr. Koppa appeared to inquire why the Commission closed the alley behind his property. After some discussion it was decided that Commissioners Lentz and John McClain would meet with Mr. Koppa and Brenda Cady at the residence and would look at the situation and would try to find a solution.

Mr. Koppa also had questions concerning the distance that Ms. Cady had set her mobile home from the alley. He was advised that Ms. Cady had appeared before the Appeals Board and had received a variance to the set back for her property.

City Administrator's Agenda

Scott Huizenga appeared before the Commission to report on the progress of the application for the grant for an Enterprise Facilitator. Brown County and Nemaha County chose not to participate in the program. Jackson County, Atchison County, Doniphan County and Sabetha have agreed to donate towards the program. Mr. Huizenga requested that the City of Horton commit to give \$3,200 a year for the next three years. This amount was figured based on population. Hiawatha and Seneca will also be asked to participate.

Motion by Mayor Bohannon to commit \$3,200 per year for the next three years to the Enterprise Facilitator program and to take the funds from the Industrial Fund. Seconded by Commissioner John McClain.
Aye—Mayor Bohannon and Commissioner John McClain. Nay—Commissioner Lentz.

An Interlocal Agreement will be sent at a later date for approval. The City should know by the end of the year whether the grant was received or not. If not the funds will not be needed.

The Budget Amendment Hearing will be held at the next meeting.

City Clerk, Candy Schmitt, has been re-certified as a grant administrator through the CDBG program.

The 73 Highway KLINK project is awaiting State approval.

Motion by Mayor Bohannon to approve payments on H18 and H19 of the rehabilitation program in the amounts of \$9,600 and \$14,550 respectively contingent on final paperwork and inspections being done. Seconded by Commissioner John McClain. All aye.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Lentz

Commissioner Lentz inquired about the status of payment on the utility bill for Tri-County Manor. The new administrator will be contacting Mr. Evans after the first of the year with a plan of action.

Commissioner John McClain

Commissioner John McClain thanked the Commission for voting for the generation project. He feels it is a step for the future of Horton.

Mayor Bohannon

Mayor Bohannon asked if the metal building for the street department was tarped. Mr. Evans will check..

Motion by Mayor Bohannon to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

Jeanne Thomas-Bohannon, Mayor