

September 2, 2003
6:00 P.M.
City Hall Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Room at City Hall.

Candy Schmitt opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Mayor White, Commissioners Stirton, Lentz and McClain. Commissioner Smith arrived at 6:20 p.m.

The approval of a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Charger Stop was added to the agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Stirton to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2003 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner McClain to approve Appropriation Ordinances #2731 (Payroll) in the amount of \$34,826.87 and Ordinance #2732 (Disbursements) in the amount of \$82,438.75. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Approval of Cereal Malt Beverage License

Motion by Commissioner Lentz to approve a cereal malt beverage license for Tammie Diebolt at the Charger Stop. Seconded by Commissioner McClain. All aye.

Ordinance—Establishing the Shooting Complex Advisory Board

Motion by Commissioner McClain to adopt Ordinance 1047, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND SETTING THE GUIDELINES FOR THE SHOOTING COMPLEX ADVISORY BOARD. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Ordinance—Truck/Trailer Parking on City Streets

This ordinance was reviewed by the City Attorney. There was some question concerning the language about repealing section 203 or 204. The City Administrator will contact the City Attorney for a revision on this ordinance. Motion by Commissioner McClain to table this matter until a redraft could be presented. Seconded by Commissioner Smith. All aye.

Sprint Franchise Agreement

A new law allows franchise fees to be charged to additional services other than just local service fees. An agreement allowing Sprint to add these additional franchise fees has to have the approval of the City. There was some discussion of the quality of service the City of Horton residents receive from Sprint. Motion by Commissioner Smith to sign the agreement on additional franchise fees and to have a representative come to a future meeting to discuss services provided by Sprint. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye.

Update on Horton Community Committee Meeting

Mayor White and Commissioner Smith reported on the first meeting of the planning committee. The meeting was well attended and Dr. Fanning went over the ground rules for the future meetings. The next meeting will be held on September 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

Water Issues

A map of the water system using GIS/GPS can be done by Kansas Rural Water at a cost of approximately \$8,000. They advise that they can complete this within a 2-week period. Motion by Commissioner McClain to move ahead with mapping the water system through Kansas Rural Water. Seconded by Commissioner Lentz. All aye. Mayor White inquired if the cost would be under \$9,000. Mr. Leighton advised yes.

Update on the Kickapoo Powwow

The City has distributed posters and flyers. The Commission approved giving \$500 for five contest specials. The Chamber of Commerce also donated \$500. A letter was received from Steve Cadue thanking the City for their donation. Banners will be put up at the entrances to the City advertising the Powwow.

The Kickapoo Tribe honored two Kickapoo veterans and one Navajo veteran at a ceremony. Mayor White sent a letter congratulating the veterans.

City Administrator's Agenda

Mr. Leighton reported that a new roof is needed on the Street Barn and there was a leak in the roof at City Hall over the weekend. The leak at City Hall was patched and Mr. Leighton thinks it will last the rest of this year. The Street Barn roof needs to be repaired immediately. The consensus of the Commission was to get bids for repairing the Street Barn roof.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Smith

Commissioner Smith would like the following items added to the project list submitted by Mr. Leighton. Priority 3 items—cemetery taxing district, Sprint services, Frontier Days, Library taxing district and the Homestead Program (planning process). Priority 2 items—Foundation, CAT Survey.

Commissioner Smith will talk to Kevin Hill about the Micro-loan program and report back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Stirton

Commissioner Stirton thanked the City for their assistance in getting ready for the Mud-a-thon.

Commissioner Stirton requested permission from the Commission to shoot fireworks at the high school football games after each touchdown. The Commission gave their approval.

Commissioner Lentz

Commissioner Lentz requested that Mr. Leighton write a letter to Coach Rhodd for his work at the pool.

The Fish and Game Club is going to build bleachers for the demolition derby and requested that the City help financially in the amount of \$300. The consensus of the Commission was to give them the \$300. The City will be able to use the bleachers when needed.

Commissioner McClain

Commissioner McClain mentioned that the horseshoe pits at Mission Lake need some kind of shade. Commissioner Lentz will look into this matter.

Commissioner Lentz mentioned that if the City will buy materials to build a second basketball court that he has had contractors that will donate the labor to build the court.

Commissioner McClain would like something to be done about the derelict building in the 700 block of Central. Officer Stuart reported that there is a warrant out for the owner of the property and he is being fined daily until it is repaired.

Mr. Leighton reported that the Firing Range will be completed in mid-October.

Mayor White

Mayor White reported that Steve Cadue requested the City draft a letter or pass a resolution that states if Plum Creek Reservoir is built the City would use it for an emergency supply. After some discussion, it was decided to invite Mr. Cadue to a meeting to present the request.

Mayor White requested that the cement be cleaned off of the posts on the welcome signs.

It was reported that KDHE does not recommend fogging for adult mosquitoes but did give a list of actions to take to get rid of the larvae. These suggestions were printed in the newspaper to inform the citizens.

Mayor White reported that the Golden Eagle Casino donated \$10,000 to Tri-County Manor.

The City crews painted the awning at the Senior Citizen's Center and are in the process of painting the Library.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

Dale A. White, Mayor