

August 18, 2008
5:15 P.M.
Commission Room

The Commissioners of the City of Horton met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 18, 2008 at 5:15 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and the prayer was given by Candy Schmitt, City Clerk.

Present: Mayor Lentz, Commissioners Krug, Forkenbrock, and Davies.

Absent: Commissioner Luscombe.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2008 regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve Appropriation Ordinance #2987 (payroll) \$37,498.04. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to approve Appropriation Ordinance #2988 (Disbursements) \$193,865.48. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Resolution of Intent for Bonds for the New Hospital

Dale White was present to explain to the Commission that the Hospital is asking the City to issue Industrial Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$14 million. This will pay for the construction of the hospital and the infrastructure as well. The hospital will come back at a later date to request a 10 year tax abatement. Construction should start in October or November.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to adopt Resolution 2008-007, A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HORTON, KANSAS DETERMINING THE ADVISABILITY OF ISSUING INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS OF SAID CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND EQUIPPING OF A HEALTH CARE FACILITY TO BE LOCATED IN SAID CITY. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. Aye—Mayor Lentz and Commissioners Krug and Davies. Abstained—Commissioner Forkenbrock.

Public Hearing on Closing the CDBG Grant on Central Avenue Project

Mayor Lentz opened the public hearing on the closing of the CDBG Grant at 5:33 p.m. Bob Hosack, grant administrator, reported the expenses and revenues for the grant and that the project went over budget by \$90,250. There was some discussion on the repair needed to a retaining wall at the residence of Margaret Whitney. Motion was made by Commissioner Krug to repair the retaining wall, which would consist of putting 3 stones back in place. Seconded by Commissioner Davies. All aye. The Commission would like a report of why the project went over budget. Mr. Hosack stated he thought it was due to increased concrete costs and an under estimation by the engineer on the amount of concrete that would be used. The City Clerk will bring a report back to the Commission. Mayor Lentz closed the hearing at 5:52 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Krug to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the documents necessary to close the CDBG Grant. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye.

Discussion of repair to waterway at wells

Kevin Kiehl, the gentleman that is farming the land where the wells are located, is requesting that the City repair one of the terraces. Rex West investigated and found that the damage is not due to City use but

because of the drainage of the waterway. The City repaired this terrace after the wells were completed because the equipment had caused damage. Commissioner Krug advised that he would talk with the property owner, Craig Kew, and report back at the next meeting.

Approval of BIA Agreement

The City Attorney presented the changes he made to the agreement. Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to approve the BIA Fire Agreement. Seconded by Commissioner Davies. Aye—Mayor Lentz, Commissioners Forkenbrock and Davies. Abstain—Commissioner Krug.

Executive Session to Discuss Possible Land Acquisition

Motion by Commissioner Davies to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss possible land acquisition, to include the Commission, City Administrator and City Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye. No action was taken in executive session.

Executive Session for Interviewing Candidate for Administrator Position

Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to go into executive session for 30 minutes to interview a candidate for the City Administrator position, to include the Commission, City Administrator, City Clerk and City Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Davies. All aye. Upon reconvening, a motion by Commissioner Davies to go back into executive session for 20 minutes to interview a candidate for the City Administrator position, to include the Commission, City Administrator, City Clerk and City Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Forkenbrock. All aye. No action was taken in executive session.

Review Bid Specifications for Patrol Vehicle

The Commission requested that some changes be made and brought back to the next meeting.

Bids for Bucket Truck

Three bids were received on the bucket truck. The bids were as follows:

Terex	\$136,257
Altec	\$144,985
Drake-Scruggs Equip. Inc.	\$134,496

Motion by Commissioner Krug to purchase a bucket truck from Terex at the recommendation of the Electric Supervisor. Seconded by Commissioner Davies. Aye—Mayor Lentz, Commissioners Krug and Davies. Nay—Commissioner Forkenbrock.

Report on Mission Lake Project

Mayor Lentz, Commissioner Krug and Kevin Hill have a meeting with the State on August 19 in Topeka. The State will set a timeline for the engineers, Black and Veatch to follow.

Discussion of Appointing Pool Committee

There was some confusion during the tenure of the previous administrator about the appointment of a pool committee. The Parks and Recreation Board would like to appoint a committee with input from the Commission. The Commission agreed that they would like the Parks and Recreation Board to make their recommendations to the Commission.

Commissioner Davies reported that he would like to start the process to find a pool manager and lifeguards as soon as possible so they are in place to get training during the winter months and be ready when the pool opens.

City Administrator's Agenda

Mr. Evans reported on the Blue Building project that the engineer would not agree to the Uretek process and instead wants a 3' slab cut out all the way around the building and then a 16" wide by 4' deep footing poured. If the City Crews do the labor the cost is estimated at \$16,400 if the work is contracted out the estimated cost would be \$48,000. The Commission would like for Mayor Lentz to talk with the Department of Commerce and report back at the next meeting.

Commissioner's Agenda

Commissioner Krug

No report.

Commissioner Forkenbrock

Commissioner Forkenbrock reported that the Code Enforcement Officer sent 50 letters on the violations on the trash can ordinance on Central Ave. and 1st Ave. East. All of them but 11 complied with the ordinance.

Job descriptions for Police Officer I and Police Officer II were presented. Motion by Commissioner Forkenbrock to accept the job descriptions. Lengthy discussion was held as to what wage implementation would follow passing job descriptions. Commissioner Forkenbrock explained the current wages and discrepancies to previous wage review and the need to follow current resolution that contains Police Officer I and Police Officer II job descriptions. It was the understanding that these job descriptions were the missing piece to be compliant with the resolution. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Commissioner Davies

Commissioner Davies and the Superintendent of Streets and Public Utilities toured Mission Lake and decided on the trees and brush that will be removed this fall and winter.

The City mowers need to be looked at and see if they need to be replaced for next year.

The Lake Caretaker is requesting to be allowed to put a new porch on the Caretaker's house at Mission Lake. There is some deterioration. Commissioner Davies will look into the matter.

There have been some complaints about trash on the east side of the Lake and the Caretaker has been talked to about the situation.

Commissioner Davies requested that the speed bumps on the road east of the soccer fields be removed. There is no soccer being held at this time and people are driving around the speed bumps and creating ruts in the grassy areas.

Commissioner Luscombe

Not present.

Mayor Tim Lentz

Mayor Lentz talked with Lonnie Boller of KRWA about the acidizing of the old wells. He advised that Mike Rork will probably be able to do the work at 1/3 of the cost that Layne Western quoted. Mr. Boller will contact Mr. Rork.

Motion by Commissioner Davies to adjourn the meeting to Wednesday, August 20, 2008 at 7:00 pm to interview the other 2 candidates for City Administrator. Seconded by Commissioner Krug. All aye.

Candy Schmitt, City Clerk

Tim Lentz, Mayor