

City of Great Bend  
February 15, 2016

## REGULAR SESSION

The Governing Body met in Regular Session in the City Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Mike Allison called the meeting to order with the following present: Councilmembers Allene Owen, Wayne Henneke, Vicki Berryman, Dana Dawson and Matt Hiss. Councilmembers Mike Zinn, Joel Jackson and Erika Julian were absent. Also in attendance were City Administrator Howard Partington, City Clerk Amit Patel and City Attorney Robert Suelter.

### A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on February 1, 2016.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register #02-15-16:** covering 2016 bills to date in the amount of \$440,399.74.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 02-05-2016** covering payroll ending January 2 2016, in the amount of \$263,865.87.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Allison made no appointments

Ms. Owen moved, seconded by Ms. Berryman, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 5-0.

**B. OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business.

**C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There were no visitors or announcements.

### D. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. **Councilmember Reports:** There were no councilmember reports.
- 2. **City Administrator's Update:** City Administrator Howard Partington reported on recent activities of the various city departments.
- 3. **Community Coordinator Report.** Christina Hayes presented her monthly report.
- 4. **Abatement Requests:** The following abatements were presented to the Governing Body:
  - a. 521 Odell. There are vehicle tires and parts, scrap lumber, tree limbs and household trash on the real estate at 521 Odell constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 021516-A.
  - b. 302 Hubbard. There are abandoned appliances, furniture, vehicle tires and parts, junk bicycles, junk lawnmowers, scrap metal, scrap lumber

and household trash located on the real estate at 302 Hubbard constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 021516-B.

Ms. Owen made a motion to adopt Resolutions Numbered 021516-A and 021516-B. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dawson and passed with all voting in favor.

- 5. Support for Job Fest.** Judy Jacobs of the Job Fest Committee presented information to the Governing Body concerning the Job Fest Event to be held at the Great Bend Events Center on April 21, 2016. Added this year will be the Kansas Works Mobile Bus to serve potential job seekers. With the additional room available in the larger facility additional job seekers and potential employers should be attracted. The Committee was asking for a contribution from the City in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Henneke made a motion to contribute \$1,000.00 to help support the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Job Fest. The motion was seconded by Ms. Owen and passed with all voting in favor.
- 6. Golden Belt Humane Society Update.** Heather Acheson, Director of the Golden Belt Humane Society, updated the Governing Body on the activities of the Society. The reported activities were once again positive and the Society has progressed to a stable financial position at this time. The Governing Body and City Staff expressed their appreciation for the progress made by the Society.
- 7. Essential Air Service Update.** Airport Manager Martin Miller provided the Governing Body with an update on the Essential Air Service provider at the Great Bend Municipal Airport. Because of the United States Department of Transportation subsidy exceeding \$1,000.00, per passenger, Great Bend may be eliminated from the program pursuant to a Show Cause Order served on the City. Miller reported that he has contacted consultants to determine if the City has a basis to contest the order. Although there have been recent developments in this process, there is nothing to report at this time. It was requested that the Governing Body authorize Mayor Allison to sign a letter of support endorsing the City's submittal to the United States Department of Transportation. Mr. Dawson made a motion to authorize Mayor Allison to sign a letter of support endorsing the City's submittal to the United States Department of Transportation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Owen and passed with all voting in favor.
- 8. Request for No Parking Resolution.** Fire Chief Mike Napolitano has requested a no parking zone be created on Sixth Street east of Cleveland to allow better ambulance ingress and egress to the Great Bend Regional Hospital. He reported that he had been in contact with members of the hospital staff and administration and that they had no problem with the no parking zone. Mr. Henneke made a motion to adopt Resolution Number 021516-C establishing a 55 feet No Parking Zone on the north side of Sixth Street east of Cleveland Street as set out in the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hiss and passed with all voting in favor.
- 9. Overhead Projectors for Events Center.** City Administrator Howard Partington reported that he now has bids for the two overhead projectors to be installed at the Events Center. These projectors would be positioned to utilize both screens installed at the facility. The bid from Parr Sound and Lighting was for \$8,055.00 with a discount of \$1,500.00 by the vendor for a final price of \$6,755.00. Parr Sound and Lighting will install the projectors for that price and will provide training for their operation. The company will also be available for service of the projectors. Ms. Owen made a motion to purchase the two overhead projectors from Parr Sound and Lighting for \$6,755.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hiss and passed with all voting in favor.

## **E. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Hiss made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ms. Owen and passed with all voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

