

City of Great Bend
March 6, 2017

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 Joel Jackson, Dana Dawson, Cory Zimmerman and Brock McPherson. Also in attendance were the City Administrator Howard Partington, City Clerk Shawna Schafer and City Attorney Robert Suelter.

City Clerk Shawna Schafer swore in Mike Boys as City Councilperson. Mr. Boys replaces Councilperson Mike Zinn and represents the First Ward.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on February 20, 2017.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register #03-06-16:** covering 2016 bills to date in the amount of \$269,530.69.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 03-03-2017** covering payroll ending February 25, 2017, in the amount of \$286,660.04.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Allison made no appointments

Ms. Owen moved, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed 8-0.

B. OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Mayor Allison recognized the Great Bend High School Panther girls bowling team for winning the State 5-A bowling championship.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Councilmember Reports:** There were no councilmember reports.
2. **City Administrator's Update:** City Administrator Howard Partington updated the Governing Body with what is happening within the city organization.
3. **Economic Development Report:** Chamber President/CEO Jan Peters presented her monthly economic development report.
4. **Abatement Requests:** The following abatements were presented to the Governing Body:

- a. 1437 2nd Street. Trash and refuse including, but not limited to, discarded tires, woodpiles, car parts, household appliances and furniture are located on the real estate at 1437 2nd Street constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 030317-A.
- b. 331 Frey. A green and silver GMC pickup that is not displaying current registration plates and/or is not in operable condition is located at 331 Frey constituting a vehicle nuisance. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 030617-B.
- c. 800 Pine Street. A white GMC Enjoy that is not bearing current registration plates and/or is inoperable condition is located on the real estate located at 800 Pine Street constituting a vehicle nuisance. The mobile home at this address displays the improper address of 801 Pine Place. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 030617-C.

Mr. Henneke made a motion to adopt Resolutions Numbered 030617-A to 030617-C. The motion was seconded by Ms. Owen and passed with all voting in favor.

5. **Recognizing Bob Parrish.** Bob Parrish would have reached his 90th birthday on Friday, March 3, 2017, but, unfortunately, passed away on March 2, 2017. Mr. Parrish was recognized as an active person in the community whose contributions were numerous and appreciated. He served as a councilperson and Mayor of the City of Great Bend and continued to be active and a force in the community even after his retirement. Mayor Allison and Beverly Komarek listed many of his accomplishments and paid tribute to him. A moment of silence was observed to commemorate his passing.
6. **Request to Close Street.** The Family Crisis Center has requested that Lakin Avenue be closed from Main Street to Kansas Avenue as a part of their fundraiser to be held on April 20, 2017. Ms. Owen made a motion to authorize the closing of Lakin Avenue from Main Street to Kansas Avenue from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on April 20, 2017, for the Walk a Mile Event. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dawson and passed with all voting in favor.
7. **Sports Complex Concession Lease:** Director of Public Lands Scott Keeler reported that Roger Ward was requesting the renewal of the concession lease facility at the sports complex. Ward has operated the concession facility in the past and has provided good service. Ms. Berryman made a motion to authorize Mayor Allison to sign the lease agreement with Roger Ward for the concession facility at the sports complex. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and passed with all voting in favor.
8. **Request for Door to Door License:** City Clerk Shawna Schafer reported that I.G. Construction LLC has requested a Door to Door Advertising License. The background checks were completed and no problem was reported. Mr. Boys made a motion to approve the Door to Door Advertising License for I.G. Construction LLC. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henneke and passed with all voting in favor.
9. **Request Permission to Serve Complimentary Alcoholic Liquor or Cereal Malt Beverages for the Downtown Art & Wine Walk:** Community Coordinator Christina Hayes reported that the Downtown Art & Wine walk is scheduled for May 11, 2017. In order to have the event the Governing Body must pass a resolution granting permission with a copy of the resolution sent to State of Kansas Director of Alcoholic Beverage Control to notify that agency of the event. Mr. Henneke made a motion to adopt Resolution Number 030617-D granting permission to serve complimentary

alcoholic liquor or cereal malt beverages the Downtown Art & Wine Walk on May 11, 2017. The motion was seconded by Ms. Berryman and passed with all voting in favor.

10. Candidate Filing Petition for City Election. City Attorney Robert Suelter reported that changes made by the 2016 Kansas Legislature required that cities establish by ordinance the number of persons required to sign a nominating petition for city office. Persons can still file by paying a filing fee when filing for city office with the county clerk. A proposed ordinance is before the Governing Body establishing that number at five. After discussion, that number was determined to be acceptable. Mr. Jackson made a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 4309 establishing the number of persons required to sign a nominating petition at five. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dawson and passed with all voting in favor.

11. Band shell Project Change Order. City Administrator Howard Partington presented Change Order #1 for the Band shell Project. The change order is for an added check valve to the spray feature and for moving a sewer line to accommodate construction. Ms. Owen made a motion to approve Changer Order #1 for the Band shell Project for \$2,459.00. The motion was seconded by Ms. Berryman and passed with all voting in favor.

12. Neighborhood Revitalization Plan: Mayor Allison opened the public hearing on the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. City Attorney Suelter reported on the draft plan that has been prepared and submitted to the Governing Body. It was pointed out that the draft plan differs from the previous plan in that it contains only one benefit area made up of most of the real estate east of Washington Street. Under this plan, the area is eligible for a five year rebate program as opposed to prior plans, which granted the area a ten year rebate program. The secondary area in previous plans is eliminated in this plan. The plan would be a five year plan rather than a ten year plan. After discussion the Governing Body decided that the public hearing should be recessed until the next meeting and that the following changes be made:

- A. The tax rebate for the primary area should be ten years rather than five years.
- B. The secondary area should be included in the plan with a five year rebate program.
- C. A map should be created showing the areas as defined in the program.
- D. All real estate included in any RHID should be excluded from the program.

The public hearing was recessed until the March 20, 2017, meeting.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McPherson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Owen and passed with all voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

