

REGULAR SESSION

The Governing Body met in Regular Session in the City Council Chambers. Mayor Cody Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following present: Councilmembers, Cory Urban, Kevyn Soupiset via phone, Jolene Biggs, Davis Jimenez, and Lindsey Krom-Craven. Absent was Brock McPherson, Alan Moeder and Natalie Towns. Also in attendance were Assistant City Administrator Logan Burns, City Attorney Allen Glendenning, and Deputy City Clerk Alison Urban.

OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Special Session held on March 29, 2023, and the Regular Session held on April 3, 2023.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 4-17-23:** Covering 2023 bills to date in the amount of \$1,960,337.73.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 4-7-23:** Covering payroll ending April 1, 2023, in the amount of \$396,072.04.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Schmidt made the following appointments
 - Airport Advisory Board:***
 - Reappoint Chris Spray
 - Reappoint Jeffrey Seewald
 - Reappoint David Schneider
 - BOCTEA Board:***
 - Appoint Alan Crowther
 - Tree Board:***
 - Reappoint Tyler Sander
 - Reappoint Jeremy Lewis
 - Reappoint Vicki Berryman
 - Library Board:***
 - Reappoint Krista Smith
 - Zoning Board of Examiners & Appeals:***
 - Reappoint Steve Murray
- e) **Agenda:** Approval of agenda as submitted or amended.

Mr. Urban made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Biggs seconded the motion and passed with all voting in favor.

B. OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Joe Boley addressed Council about a book he wrote about the Great Bend Municipal Band.
- Charles Atkinson addressed the Council about putting in permanent electrical service near the Expo III building.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Councilmember Reports:** There were no Councilmember reports.
2. **Interim Administrators Update:** Interim City Administrator Logan Burns presented an update on what is happening within the City organization.
3. **CVB/Community Coordinator Report:** Community Coordinator Christina Hayes presented her monthly report.
4. **Abatements:** Code Enforcement Hoyt Kinsinger presented the following abatements:
 - A. **1210 Odell St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: multiple bags of trash and other refuse on the east side of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at 1210 Odell St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-A.
 - B. **1921 Madison St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: an accumulation of trash, damaged swimming pool and other refuse on of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at 1921 Madison St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-B.
 - C. **1610 Odell St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: large amount of tires and other refuse on the east side of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at 1610 Odell St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-C.
 - D. **436 Cedar St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: couch and other refuse on the east side of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at 436 Cedar St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-D.
 - E. **416 Almond St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: tires and other refuse on the north side of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at 416 Almond St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-E.
 - F. **222 Fruit St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: tires and other refuse on the east side of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of

Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at 222 Fruit St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-F.

- G. 100 Walnut St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: appliances and other refuse on the east side of the property and that said Unlawful Accumulation constitutes a nuisance pursuant to Section 8.08.110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This real estate is located at Walnut St and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-G.
- H. 1700 Lakin Ave:** There is a blue colored passenger car with a flat tire and expired tag on the property that is either not displaying current registration, and/or is not inoperable condition, and that said motor vehicle(s) constitute a nuisance pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This motor vehicle is located at 1700 Lakin Ave and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-H.
- I. 2820 20th St:** There is a white colored passenger car that appears wrecked with an expired tag on the property that is either not displaying current registration, and/or is not inoperable condition, and that said motor vehicle(s) constitute a nuisance pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This motor vehicle is located at 2820 20th St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-I.
- J. 1916 Baker Ave:** There is a gray colored passenger car with no tag on the property that is either not displaying current registration, and/or is not inoperable condition, and that said motor vehicle(s) constitute a nuisance pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This motor vehicle is located at 1916 Baker Ave. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-J.
- K. 207 Pine St:** There is a white colored passenger car with expired tag on the property that is either not displaying current registration, and/or is not inoperable condition, and that said motor vehicle(s) constitute a nuisance pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This motor vehicle is located at 207 Pine St and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-K.
- L. 103 Elm St:** There is a black colored pickup with expired tag on the property that is either not displaying current registration, and/or is not inoperable condition, and that said motor vehicle(s) constitute a nuisance pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This motor vehicle is located at 103 Elm St and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-L.
- M. 1429 18thSt:** There is a white colored passenger car with expired tag on the property that is either not displaying current registration, and/or is not inoperable condition, and that said motor vehicle(s) constitute a nuisance pursuant to Section 10.20.030 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Great Bend, Kansas. This motor vehicle is located at 1429 18th St. and is the subject of Resolution Number 041723-M.

Ms. Krom-Craven made a motion to approve Resolutions 041723A-M. Ms. Biggs seconded the motion and passed with all voting in favor.

- 5. Temporary Premise Extension:** Interim City Administrator Logan Burns reported that Dry Lakes Brewery has requested a temporary extension of premises on May 6, 2023, to host their 2nd year anniversary party. The event is scheduled from 4pm-12am. The event will include 2 live bands and a food truck. The consumption of alcohol is planned in the proposed space. The brewery is working with the State Alcoholic Beverage Control to obtain proper permits for this activity. Mr. Urban made a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 4405, allowing consumption of alcohol on public property. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs and passed with all voting in favor. Ms. Biggs then made a motion to close the alley from Lakin Avenue to Forest and

closure of parking stalls on city-owned parking lot at Lakin and Williams on May 6, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Krom-Craven and passed with all voting in favor.

- 6. Executive Session:** An executive session has been requested to discuss personnel matters concerning non-elected personnel for the City Administrator position. Ms. Biggs made a motion to recess to executive session for a period of 20 minutes to discuss personnel matters concerning non-elected personnel for the City Administrator position under K.S.A 75-4319(b)(1). The motion was seconded by Mr. Urban and passed with all voting in favor. The regular meeting will resume at 7:13 p.m. The regular meeting resumed at 7:13p.m. and no action was taken.
- 7. Executive Session:** An executive session has been requested to discuss information deemed privileged in the attorney-client relation. The executive session shall include the Governing Body, the Interim City Administrator, and the City Attorney. Mr. Urban made a motion to recess into executive session for a period of 20 minutes to seek legal advice for pending legal matters pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), consultation with an attorney for the body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs and passed with all voting in favor. The regular meeting will resume at 7:35 p.m. The meeting resumed at 7:35 p.m. City Attorney Allen Glendenning said the release has been approved by all the plaintiffs. This is not an admission of liability either, but it specifically says in this general release that everybody agrees, including the plaintiffs, that this is not an admission of liability. It's just a way to get this lawsuit behind us. There is a monetary component, but that is not something the city council has any say in at all. That's up to the insurance company to decide whether they want to pay money to resolve this lawsuit so they can quit paying attorney fees. It will get the city out from under any possibility of any kind of judgement that might exceed the policy limits. It is up to the council whether they want to approve the release. Mr. Urban made a motion to approve a general release that frees the city of any future claims on the issue with Amber Meadows. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs and passed with all voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Biggs made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Krom-Craven seconded the motion and passed with all voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.