

**CITY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Commission Chambers
101 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas
Minutes of October 6, 2010**

The City Governing Body met at 7 pm this date for the Regular City Commission Meeting with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Reed, Commissioner Jorgensen, and Commissioner Fleer. Commissioner Ramsey and Commissioner Humm were absent. A quorum was present.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and welcomed the Chamber Audience and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the invocation was given by Pastor Leonard Cheasbro from New Life in Christ Church.

Consent Agenda

Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen, to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda included the agenda and minutes from the September 13, September 20, and September 27, 2010 Study Sessions; and the September 1 and September 15, 2010 Regular Meetings. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the Consent Agenda duly approved.

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

Declaration

Thereupon, the Mayor asked the City Commission for declarations of any conflict or outside communications that might influence their ability to impartially consider today's issues and come to a fair decision. None were declared.

Over the Road Gang Presentation

Each year the Over the Road Gang organizes the Ole' Marais River Run, one of the most popular car shows in the region. Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Over the Road Gang President, Jack Barnhart who thanked the City of Ottawa for their assistance in helping with this event. Mr. Barnhart presented the Governing Body with a plaque of appreciation on behalf of the car club.

Swearing in the 2010-2011 Youth in Government Members

Thereupon, the Mayor announced this year's Youth in Government members to be sworn in as follows:

Dalton Blankenship-11th Grade
Gabby Bowers-9th Grade
Courtney Evans-10th Grade
Zach George-12th Grade

Jordan Gray-11th Grade
Ty Lutz-11th Grade
Spencer Morgan-8th Grade
Danon Taylor-11th Grade

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Thereupon, Director of Finance Scott Bird administered the Loyalty Oath to the Youth Members.

Thereupon, the 2010-2011 Youth Delegates were congratulated and a group picture was taken with the Governing Body.

Proclamation-14 Year-Old Ottawa All-Stars

Thereupon, the Commissioner Jorgensen read a proclamation recognizing the 14-Year-Old Ottawa All-Stars as the Kansas Babe Ruth State Champions. The 14-Year-Old Ottawa All-Stars became the Kansas Babe Ruth State Champions on August 9, 2010, as well as, was the first team in program history to play in a regional championship game. Thereupon, the proclamation was accepted by team members: Jeffrey Doolittle, Bryce Elder, Kord Ferguson, Aaron Miller, Anthony Monares, Christian Moore, Caleb Parenti, Shelby Rockhold, Nathan Roth, Dakota Schmoie, Jamie Soderberg, Dalton Weidl, Manager Ricky Roth and Coach Brad Rockhold.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Thereupon, Mayor Reed read a proclamation recognizing October 2010 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is a partnership of national public service organizations, professional medical associations and government agencies working together to promote breast cancer awareness, share information on the disease and provide greater access to screening services. Thereupon, Franklin County Support Group representative Gail Norris accepted the proclamation.

Fire Prevention Week

Thereupon, Mayor Reed read a proclamation recognizing October 3-9, 2010 as Fire Prevention Week. Since 1922, fire departments have actively supported Fire Prevention Week, making it the longest running public health and safety observance on record. This year's campaign focus is "Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With." Thereupon, Assistant Fire Chief Rick Oglesby accepted the proclamation.

National Community Planning Month

Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer read a proclamation recognizing October 2010 as National Community Planning Month. October is National Community Planning Month, a time that the American Planning Association uses to focus on the important role of planners and planning in communities across the United States. Thereupon, Richard Jackson, Chairperson of the Ottawa Planning Commission accepted the proclamation.

Ordinance-Rezone

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed an ordinance to rezone an area in the Urban Growth Area (UGA) from Franklin County Zoning to City Zoning. Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fleer, to adopt the ordinance.

During discussion it was explained this ordinance is to rezone the Leadbetter Subdivision, Creason Tawney, and Leadbetter Homes properties from Franklin County zoning to City zoning. October 6, 2010

The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the ordinance duly adopted and the ordinance was duly numbered Ordinance No. 3766-10.

Ordinance-Amending Comprehensive Plan

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed an ordinance amending Chapters 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the City of Ottawa's Comprehensive Plan. Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen, to adopt the ordinance.

During discussion it was explained the Planning Commission recommended approval of these amendments by a 5-0 vote. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the ordinance duly adopted and the ordinance was duly numbered Ordinance No. 3767-10.

Neighborhood Revitalization Program

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a recommendation for participation in the Neighborhood Revitalization Program. Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fleer, to approve the recommendation.

During discussion it was explained the Neighborhood Revitalization Program Review Committee recommended the commercial structure located at 304 S Main to be included in the Neighborhood Revitalization Program and receive the property tax rebate per the established guidelines. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the request duly approved.

Ottawa University Report

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Ottawa University Student Body Sophomore Andrew McCluney who reported on changes coming to Student Senate next year and other activities at Ottawa University.

City Manager Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt reported on the following:

- Domestic Violence Awareness Breakfast, Thursday, October 7, 7:30-8:30 am, Ottawa Country Club
- Chamber/OFCED first year held Business Expo
- Airport Open House

Reports by City Commissioners

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen discussed the multiple projects taking place in the City.

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Announcements

Thereupon, the Mayor announced:

1. October 11, 2010: Study Session Canceled
2. October 18, 2010: Study Session at 4 pm
3. October 18, 2010: Joint City/County/USD 290 Luncheon, 12 noon, USD 290 416 S Main
4. October 20, 2010: Next Regular Meeting at 9:30 am

Executive Session

Recess

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fler, to recess into Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege with the City Attorney and City Manager present for a period of 15 minutes. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly recessed at 7:36 pm.

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey arrived at 7:43 pm and joined the Governing Body in Executive Session.

Reconvene

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to reconvene the meeting into the Regular Session Meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly reconvened at 7:51 pm.

Recess

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fler, to recess back into Executive Session to continue discussion on Attorney Client Privilege for a period of 10 minutes and to reconvene into Regular Session at 8:01 pm. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly recessed.

Reconvene

Thereupon, Commissioner Fler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to reconvene into Regular Session meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly reconvened at 8:01 pm.

Open Agenda

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey inquired about the City Manager's evaluation being due in the near future.

Thereupon, Mayor Reed suggested the evaluation take place in November.

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey requested an updated evaluation form.

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Fler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk

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