

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 4, 2013 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Holton met at 7:00 P.M. in City Hall on Monday evening, March 4, 2013. Commissioners Tim Morris, Hal Cochren, Erich Campbell and Bob Dieckmann were present. Mayor Rich Mulroy called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the February 19, 2013 meeting were approved with corrections.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between February 20, 2013 and March 4, 2013, were presented to the Commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance #2080. Tim Morris moved and Erich Campbell seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all, yes.

2012-2013 HOLTON HIGH SCHOOL STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONS: Mayor Rich Mulroy read a proclamation recognizing the 2012-2013 Holton High School Wrestling Team for their exemplar season, culminating with a team state championship.

FIREWORKS ORDINANCE: Jackson County recently passed a resolution banning metal handled sparklers and Chinese lanterns. As we are in the county, staff was recommending the commission pass an ordinance to mirror the restrictions in the county. Erich Campbell questioned whether adding this restriction to our ordinance would limit educational uses to the sky lanterns, also known as Chinese lanterns. Tim Morris questioned the need to address this issue without more research. Commissioners decided to table the issue until more information on these types of fireworks were available.

RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL – SOUTHSIDE LIQUOR STORE: Hal Cochren moved to approved a retail liquor license renewal for Southside Liquor Store. Bob Dieckmann seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

In other business:

Bret Bauer, City Manager, informed the commission that Mayor Specialties has moved the timeline for sewer cleaning to the 1st week of April due to weather conditions. Bauer also reported that the underground storage tank at 7th & Ohio has been removed, along with the pump and the concrete pedestal for the pump. KDHE has tested the site and closed the case as not needing further checking. The hole has been filled in and the site is ready for whatever the commission decides to do with it.

The Commission will hold a strategic planning meeting at 6:00 p.m. on March 18 before the regular commission meeting.

The annual meeting for Mainstreet will be March 14. Commissioners were invited to attend. Bob Dieckmann asked about a gas card for Casey's and what their prices were like.

Hal Cochren asked if we have talked to Rural Water District #3 about water at Prairie Lake.

Tim Morris asked about whether to commission could tour the city to look at run down property as a group.

Erich Campbell asked if city staff had contacted Representative Garber about touring the electric plant.

Meeting was adjourned.

Teresa Riley
City Clerk