

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 5, 2017 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The City Commission of the City of Holton met at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall on Monday evening, June 5, 2017. Commissioners Tim Morris, Twila White, Mike Meerpohl and Dan Brenner were present. Mayor Bob Dieckmann was also present.

Mayor Bob Dieckmann called the regular meeting to order.

Minutes of the May 15, 2017 meeting were approved as written.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between May 16, 2017 and

June 5, 2017 were presented to the commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance 2185. Mike Meerpohl moved and Tim Morris seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all; yes.

PRAIRIE LAKE SKI CLINIC: Loretta Fitzgerald has submitted a request to be allowed to hold a ski clinic for disabled children on Saturday August 5, with an August 19 rain date. Twila White made the motion to approve the ski clinic upon receipt of liability insurance. Dan Brenner seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

POOL MANAGER: Commissioners were introduced to the new manager of the Holton Municipal Pool, Judy Ireland. Commissioners welcomed Judy on board.

ELKHORN LAKE SPILLWAY PROJECT: Kerwin McKee, City Manager, presented the negotiated changes to the Elkhorn Lake Spillway Project that EBH Engineers was able to work out with Reese Construction. Changes agreed upon eliminated \$12,500 from the original bid price, while the city agreed to take on repair of the roadway, which saved another \$12,500 from the bid price, bringing the total project price with Reese Construction down to \$92,500. Dan Brenner voiced his concerns with EBH for under-estimating the cost of the project. Tim Morris countered that it was not EBH that was at fault, but the contractors that did not bid the project the way the engineers wrote it up. Bob Dieckmann commented that a decision needed to be made to get the lake and road back to where it should be. Dan Brenner made a motion to accept the revised bid from Reese Construction. Tim Morris seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Kerwin McKee, City Manager, reminded commissioners that the annual Prairie Lake Pickin' Party would be held this weekend at Prairie Lake.

Mike Meerpohl asked about the 5th Street brick project. McKee said it was going good and they were scheduled to pour concrete the following day.

Twila White asked about the new police impound lot. McKee explained we had received two bids for the fencing that were both very close in price.

Bob Dieckmann passed along information from the Waste Management employees that asked that trash cans have some holes drilled in them for rain water to escape on rainy days.

Tim Morris checked on progress at the Navaho lift station. McKee reported that we have the pump and rails but were still waiting on the barrel top.

McKee also reminded commissioners that city staff was working on a surplus property list for Purple Wave and that you could not place a reserve on items sold in this manner.

Dan Brenner commented that the recent testing of the tornado sirens announced it as a test instead of saying this was a tornado warning. He felt that was much better. He also asked is we were done with the sewer cleaning. McKee reported that it was done and now we need to bid projects.

Meeting Adjourned.

Teresa Riley
City Clerk