

## MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2020 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The City Commission of the City of Holton met at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall on Tuesday evening, February 18, 2020. Commissioners Mike Meerpohl, Tim, Morris, Marilyn Watkins and Dan Brenner were present. Mayor Bob Dieckmann was also present.

Mayor Bob Dieckmann called the regular meeting to order.

Minutes of the January 21, 2020 and February 3, 2020 meetings were approved as written.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE:** Claims against the City of Holton between February 4, 2020 and February 18, 2020 were presented to the commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance 2253. Mike Meerpohl moved and Tim Morris seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all; yes.

**EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS:** Commissioners recognized employees for admirable service to the City of Holton. Employees honored were: Dennis Ashcraft, 35 years; Rex Hamlin, 35 years; Mike Reichle, 20 years; Jeff Draper, 10 years; Amber Baxter, 5 years; and Nathan Doyle, 5 years. The Commission thanked them for their years of service to the city.

**BID AWARD:** In continuing the topic from the last meeting, bids for the Street Department roof were discussed. Tim Morris explained that he would go with the low bid because we have worked with this company before and we know their work is good. He felt that the lowest bid should always be considered unless the city has never had a working relationship or knows nothing about a company. Marilyn Watkins said she believed that the city should always go with the lowest responsible bid. She felt the Holton representative's bid was unacceptable because they came in with their bid late and did an entire presentation that the other companies did not get to do. Marilyn made a motion to accept the low bid from Meridian Roofing Solutions for \$21,836 with gutters and downspouts. Dan Brenner seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Kerwin McKee, City Manager, informed the commissioners that we would be seeking bids for haying the empty lots at the Industrial Park. He recently had two requests from individuals to bid on the hay ground. Commissioners agreed it should be bid.

Marilyn Watkins brought up 4 places that need attention – 4<sup>th</sup> and Illinois has a yard that looks terrible, 6<sup>th</sup> & New York mid-block east side also looks bad, 9<sup>th</sup> and New Jersey eastside has a fence but it doesn't block the fact that there are junk vehicles in the yard, and 9<sup>th</sup> and New Jersey on the westside and on north needs a lot of attention. McKee said he would check, but he thought at least two of those addresses were already being taken care of by Code Enforcement.

Meeting Adjourned.

Teresa Riley  
City Clerk