

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 1, 2020 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The City Commission of the City of Holton met at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall on Monday evening, June 1, 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 May 18, 2020 meeting was approved as written.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between May 19, 2020 and June 1, 2020 were presented to the commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance 2260. Tim Morris moved, and Marilyn Watkins seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all; yes.

RESOLUTION 20-R003: Kerwin McKee, City Manager, presented Resolution 20-R003, which declared 221 W. 4th a dangerous structure. The resolution sets a hearing date of July 20, 2020 for the owner to appear. Mike Meerpohl stated that the building obviously has been deteriorating in condition for many years. Sean Willcott, owner of the property adjoining this property and sharing a wall, had a structural engineer look at the shared wall, which he said had a hole large enough to put his arm through. The engineer determined that the only way to be sure the wall would hold was to build another wall beside it on his side of the shared wall. Willcott said he is still getting water into his building around the new wall from this property. Dan Brenner made a motion to approve Resolution 20-R003 setting a hearing date of July 20. Mike Meerpohl seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

RESOLUTION 20-R004: McKee also presented Resolution 20-R004. This resolution was for abating a nuisance at 513 Ohio that has not been cleaned up. Tim Morris commented that these properties need addressed and we need to move on it. Tim Morris made a motion to approve Resolution 20-R004. Mike Meerpohl seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Kerwin McKee informed the commissioners that next week Jackson County was not planning to open their bathrooms but were going to open the swim beach and play equipment. Shawnee County has begun opening some bathrooms with frequent cleaning. McKee said Angie Reith, Jackson County Health Officer, said that we could open these things if we are comfortable. Tim Morris said he felt we should follow the county as a guide to opening back up. Commissioners agreed to discuss playgrounds, lake, restrooms, and work schedule at the next meeting.

Mike Meerpohl commented that the street department was doing a good job cleaning out tubes and ditches on the west side of town.

Meeting Adjourned.

Teresa Riley
City Clerk