

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 22, 2011 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 Tuesday evening, February 22, 2011. Commissioners Tim Morris, Bob Dieckmann, and JJ Cashier were present. Janet Zwonitzer was absent. Mayor Rich Mulroy called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the February 7, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between February 8, 2011 and February 22, 2011, were presented to the Commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance #2029. Tim Morris moved and Bob Dieckmann seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all, yes.

2011 STREET PROGRAM: Rex Cameron, Street Superintendent, presented the 2011 Street Program to the commission. The plan this year is the chip and seal 29 blocks, with 17 blocks milled before chip sealing, 52 blocks of crack fill on the asphalt streets, and a 2-block brick restoration project, Wisconsin Avenue from 4th Street to 6th Street. There are also several smaller projects such as work at 4th and New York curbing on both sides of intersection south of 4th Street and an access road in Countryside Park to the new shelter house. They will also be doing some tube work and replacing the handicap accessible ramps at 5th and Wisconsin. Tim Morris moved to accept the 2011 Street Program. Bob Dieckmann seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Cameron also asked the commission for permission to seek bids on a new backhoe. He did have it in his 2011 budget to replace the aging backhoe, which is incurring maintenance expenses that are becoming extensive. Bob Dieckmann made the motion for Cameron to seek bids on a new backhoe. JJ Cashier seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

EMPLOYEE SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM: Bret Bauer, City Manager, presented a new employee safety incentive program to the commission for approval. The program grants one paid day of leave and one half day of paid leave for completing an accident free quarter. Employees who qualify will be entered in a drawing once a quarter and one name will be drawn for the full day and one name for the half day. Accidents incurred in the quarter can disqualify employees, and certain numbers of accidents can remove the paid leave options from the drawing. Bob Dieckmann moved to implement the Employee Safety Incentive Program. JJ Cashier seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT: Blair Wagoner has submitted his name for consideration for membership to the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. Tim Morris moved to appoint Blair Wagoner to the vacant seat on the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. JJ Cashier seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD APPOINTMENT: The Holton Housing Authority has submitted the names of Bessie Swain, current board member, and Patricia Starkebaum for consideration for appointment to the Housing Authority Board and Resident Commissioner. JJ Cashier moved to appoint Swain to the position. Bob Dieckmann seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

SOUTHSIDE LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL: Southside Liquor Store has brought in their new state license and is requesting the city renew their retail liquor license. Tim Morris moved to renew the retail liquor license for Southside Liquor Store. Bob Dieckmann seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

CMB LICENSE FOR HAAG OIL COMPANY: Haag Oil Company has purchased JumpStart Convenience Store and needs a new Cereal Malt Beverage License for the store. They have submitted their application and passed the required background check. Bob Dieckmann moved to approve the CMB license for Haag Oil Company. Tim Morris seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD INSURANCE RENEWAL: Commissioners were presented with the Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance renewal. Tim Morris moved the city accept the renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield with the increase in premium being picked up by the city, and the life insurance to be renewed at the same level as last year. Bob Dieckmann seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

In other business:

1. Bret Bauer, City Manager, informed the commission of the upcoming Citywide Clean Up. It will be held April 23 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Jackson County will also bring their trailer for hazardous waste.
2. Tim Morris commented that he had seen the Power Plant Superintendent position advertised and he thought that it was to be discussed before advertised. He would like to see something different done with the position, but since not everyone was

at the meeting, he would like to table the discussion to the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned.

Teresa Riley
City Clerk