CITY OF FORT SCOTT
CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Minutes of January 3, 2012 Regular Meeting #1

The regular meeting of the Fort Scott City Commission was held January 3rd, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room, 123 S. Main, Fort Scott, Kansas.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Bartelsmeyer, Bukowski, Mason, and Parker were present with Mayor Adams presiding.

INVOCATION: Pastor Scott Moore, First Church of the Nazarene said a prayer asking God for guidance for the city and all government and city officials.

AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE: Darrell Parker, Randy Handley, Ron Puterbaugh, Eric W. Bailey, Macy Cullison, Brent Crays, Scott Moore, Cheri Collins, Melissa Wise, Kaleb Bailey, Lindsay Madison, Jim Pitts, Janet Braun, Audra Young and representing the press, Jason Silvers, Staff Reporter, Fort Scott Tribune.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND APPROPRIATIONS/CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of December 20, 2011.

B. Approval of Appropriation Ordinances 702, 998-A, and 999-A totaling $608,804.22.

C. Resolution 1-2012 designating the official City newspaper – Fort Scott Tribune

D. Resolution 2-2012 designating the official City depositories for the public funds

E. Ordinance No. 3406 relating to the cutting of weeds and the charges thereof.

F. Request to Pay Estimate #4 – Sludge Technology - $64,486.00

G. Request to Pay – Felsburg, Holt & Ulevig – Hwy 69 Engineering-18th and 23rd Street - $11,465.92

H. Reappointment of Electrical Board members for a three year term: Jim Brown, Tony French, Jack Karleskint, Larry Karleskint, Max Fanning, and J. R. Stewart expiring 1/3/2015.

I. Pride Official Entrant Resolution – No. 3-2012

J. Request to Pay #3 – Hofer & Hofer & Assoc., Inc - $43,848.00 – BRCC Addition

K. Resolution 4-2012 – Notice of Hearing With Reference to Alleged Unsafe and Dangerous Accessory Structures located at 302 McCleverty – Public Hearing Date – 2/21/2012 @ 6:15 p.m.

Mason moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Bukowski seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA.

APPEARANCE/COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARING:

A. APPEARANCE: None

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Concerning Items Not on Agenda – 3 minute limit per citizen) - None

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Bartelsmeyer moved to open the public hearing at 6:18 p.m. Bukowski seconded. All voted aye.

OPENED PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:18 P.M.

6:15 p.m. – Resolution directing the repair or removal of an unsafe and dangerous structure and accessory structure located at 111 S. Wilson - Brent Crays, Codes Manager informed the Commission that this is a structure with many unsafe and dangerous issues. Attempts have been made to contact the owner but were unsuccessful. He has spoken to the individual who is renting the property to see what their intentions are to make the needed repairs. They indicated repairs would be made but nothing has been accomplished. His recommendation is to allow no more than 45 days for repair or removal of this structure.

Bartlesmeyer moved to approve Resolution 5-2012 directing the repair or removal of the structure at 111 S. Wilson and to give them 30 days to have all the work completed. Parker seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED RESOLUTION 5-2012 DIRECTING THE REPAIR OR REMOVAL OF AN UNSAFE AND DANGEROUS STRUCTURE AND ACCESSORY STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 111 S. WILSON. STRUCTURE MUST BE BROUGHT UP TO 2006 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE BY 2/6/2012 OR DEMOLITION PROCEEDINGS WILL BEGIN.

Parker moved to close the Public Hearing at 6:20 p.m. Mason seconded. All voted aye.

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:20 P.M.

CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of Bids – North National Rehab Project – Eric Bailey, Public Works Director shared a powerpoint presentation with pictures of the bridge on North National. The bridge was constructed in 1933. The concrete on the deck is starting to chip and fail. The concrete supports on the side are starting to crack. There is rebar and exposed steel showing and the joints on the deck have expanded and need filled. The embankment has washed out and it about 12-15' deep and needs rebuilt with riff-raff. There were two bids received with the low bid from Wildcat Concrete of Topeka, Kansas in the amount of $397,725 and that is the recommendation for approval. This is an item that was included in the bond recently issued.

   Mason moved to approve the low bid from Wildcat Concrete of Topeka, Kansas in the amount of $397,725. Parker seconded. All voted aye.

   APPROVED LOW BID FROM WILDCAT CONCRETE OF TOPEKA, KANSAS IN THE AMOUNT OF $397,725 FOR THE NORTH NATIONAL BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROJECT.

2. Consideration of Engineering for North National Bridge Project – Eric Bailey informed the Commission that this is the engineering contract between Professional Engineering Consultants and the

City of Fort Scott for the North National Bridge Project at a cost not to exceed $21,000. Approval was recommended.

Bartelsmeyer moved to approve the engineering contract between P.E.C. and the City at a cost not to exceed $21,000 for the North National Bridge Project. Mason seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED ENGINEERING CONTRACT BETWEEN PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS AND THE CITY OF FORT SCOTT FOR THE NORTH NATIONAL BRIDGE PROJECT AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED $21,000.

3. Skate Park Engineering Agreement – City Manager informed the Commission that the engineering agreement is not ready for approval at this time but will be shortly. There is still land to be acquired from USD 234 and a fence to be built. The community has raised over $100,000 for this project and it should be started soon. More information will be forthcoming.

4. Update on Boiler Situation at Memorial Hall – Brent Crays, Codes Manager informed the Commission regarding the status of the boiler. The boiler needs cleaned with the rust removed and three tubes replaced as well as the gaskets and the debris removed inside of it.

   City Manager informed the Commission that French's Plumbing who is certified in boilers submitted a bid in the amount of $4,400.00 to repair the boiler.

   Discussion was held regarding the capping of the three tubes instead of replacing them.

   Parker moved to approve the amount of $4,400 from French's Plumbing and authorize Staff to visit with the contractor about the capping of the tubes and use their best judgment. Bartelsmeyer seconded. All voted aye.

   APPROVED THE AMOUNT OF $4,400 FROM FRENCH'S PLUMBING AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO VISIT WITH THE CONTRACTOR ABOUT THE CAPPING OF THE TUBES AND USE THEIR BEST JUDGMENT FOR THE BOILER AT MEMORIAL HALL.

COMMISSION/STAFF:

A. Director Updates: None

B. City Commission:

Bartelsmeyer – Nothing to report.

Bukowski – Nothing to report.

Mason – Said that there are lots of projects to complete this year and it will be exciting.

Parker – Hopeful for a great 2012 with the construction of the new pool and skate park!

Adams – Remarked that it will be a great summer for kids in the community!

C. City Attorney: Nothing to report.

D. Assistant City Manager: Not present.

E. City Manager:

1. Neighborhood Revitalization – Macy Cullison informed the Commission that this program has been in place for many years between the City, County, USD 234 and Fort Scott Community College. She is recommending that the City not renew this program this year as the current program expired on December 31st, 2011. She is researching new programs that will offer more incentives to residents to improve their property. She and the City Manager have visited with the other entities involved and they are agreed to discontinue for one year at this time.

   Parker moved to put the Neighborhood Revitalization Program on hold for one year to research other incentive programs. Bartelsmeyer seconded. All voted aye.

   APPROVED TO PUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM ON HOLD FOR ONE YEAR

TO RESEARCH OTHER INCENTIVE PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTS TO IMPROVE THEIR PROPERTY.

2. Hotel Project – Lindsay Madison, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director informed the Commission that this project started close to two years ago but is still moving forward. A franchise hotel was needed and the local motels and bed and breakfast establishments were in agreement also. A group of 12 local investors as well as other outside investments signed an agreement with Sleep Inn on December 31st, 2011. The location of the new hotel has not been chosen as of this date. This will greatly enhance the transient guest tax funds also. They are looking to open in March 2013.

3. Staff Meeting – City Manager informed the Commission that he discussed at staff meeting today two areas that he will be working on. The first is for he and Brent to meet with property owners to encourage them to clean up their properties. The second is to encourage economic development in our community.

4. Buck Run Community Center – City Manager said he visited with Tom Robertson, Manager of Buck Run regarding their weekend hours. He was asked by a couple of citizens if they would be open on the weekends to give them something to do. Tom called him today and informed them that Buck Run will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. every weekend. He thanked him for assisting the citizens in our community.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mason moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m. Parker seconded. All voted aye.

ADJOURNED MEETING AT 6:31 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held on January 17th 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

RECORDED BY:

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DIANE K. CLAY
CITY CLERK