

**STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OTTAWA, KANSAS
Minutes of
April 4, 2011**

The Governing Body met at 4 pm this date with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Reed, Commissioner Jorgensen, Commissioner Humm, Commissioner Ramsey, and Commissioner Fler. A quorum was present.

Mayor Reed called the meeting to order and asked for Public Comments.

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

Review of Minutes

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed the minutes from the March 21, 2011 Study Session and agreed to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for April 6, 2011.

Proclamation-National Volunteer Week

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a proclamation recognizing National Volunteer Week and agreed to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda for April 6, 2011.

Cereal Malt Beverage License-Poncho's

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed an application for a Cereal Malt Beverage License, for consumption on the premises, for Poncho's. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed by consensus to place this item on the next Regular Meeting Agenda.

2011 Street Rehabilitation

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Public Works Director Andy Haney who continued discussion of the 2011 Street Rehabilitation projects and requested direction from the Governing Body on priorities. Thereupon, the Governing Body requested this issue be placed on the next Study Session Agenda to include their recommendations.

Airport Advisory Board Appointments

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed the following recommendations for Airport Advisory Board appointments:

2-Year Term

Ken Davison
Cal Lantis

3-Year Term

Chad Caylor
Jack Miller

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt explained the Mayor would also serve as a member of this committee. In addition, it was recommended, once officially appointed, the 5 will bring two additional names back to the Governing Body for appointment. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed to place the recommended appointments on the next Regular Meeting Agenda.

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Chamber of Commerce Membership

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey explained the Chamber would be voting at their next meeting April 12th, on the two options proposed to reduce the number of people who sit on the Chamber Board. The action was proposed in an attempt to allow the Board to function better. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed by consensus to support the proposal by the Executive Committee.

Annual Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony

Thereupon, the Governing Body was invited to the Ottawa Police Department's Annual Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony which will be held at 6 pm on Thursday, April 14 in the Municipal Courtroom at the Law Enforcement Center, 715 W Second Street.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt stated the change in annexation laws is on the Governor's desk for signing and would go into effect July 1, 2011.

Commissioners' Reports

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey stated advanced voting has been very slow and encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow, April 5th.

Mayor's Report

Thereupon, Mayor Reed encouraged everyone to vote and noted it is important to vote.

Executive Session

Recess

Thereupon, Commissioner Fler made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to recess into Executive Session for a period of 5 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the City Manager present. The Governing Body will reconvene in regular study session at 4:33 pm. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly recessed.

Reconvene

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fler, to reconvene into Regular Study Session at 4:33 pm. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly reconvened.

Open Agenda

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey reported on the Legislative Coffee that was held April 2, 2011 at City Hall.

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Fleer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk