

**CITY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes
Commission Chambers
101 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas
Minutes of April 6, 2011**

The City Governing Body met at 7 pm this date for the Regular City Commission Meeting with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Reed, Commissioner Humm, Commissioner Jorgensen, Commissioner Fleer, and Commissioner Ramsey. A quorum was present.

The Mayor Reed called the meeting to order and welcomed the Chamber Audience and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the invocation was given by Pastor Leonard Chesbro, with New Life in Christ Church.

Consent Agenda

Thereupon, Commissioner Humm made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda included the Agenda, Cereal Malt Beverage License for Ponchos, and Minutes from the March 7, March 14, and March 21, 2011 Study Sessions; and the March 16, 2011 Regular Meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the Consent Agenda duly approved.

Public Comments

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Helen Hood, 1119 N Hickory, who thanked God we live in a free country where we can vote. Ms. Hood thanked Commissioner Humm and Fleer for their service as a Commissioner; City Manager and Staff for commission information provided to help inform the candidates, and Terry Seaton who delivered the weekly agenda's to the candidates running for City Commissioner.

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from John Wise, 811 W 5th, who thanked the City Commission for their support, and he was disappointed in the voter turnout.

Declaration

Thereupon, the Mayor asked the City Commission for declarations of any conflict or outside communications that might influence their ability to impartially consider today's issues and come to a fair decision. None were declared.

Proclamation-Arbor Day

Thereupon, Mayor Reed read a proclamation recognizing Arbor Day on Friday, April 29, 2011. As a Tree City USA designee, the City of Ottawa takes special notice of Arbor Day. Thereupon, Connie Gaeddert, Tree Board member, accepted the proclamation.

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Arbor Day Poster Contest Recognitions

Thereupon, Tree Board member Connie Gaeddert, introduced Assistant Park Superintendent Joe Moody who would recognize the local Fifth Grade students with winning entries in the Arbor Day Poster Contest.

Each year the Tree Board of the City of Ottawa sponsors a poster contest and invites all local fifth-grade teachers to engage their students in the creation of themed posters. This year's school-level winners are present to be recognized, and the City's overall poster winner will be chosen from this group as follows:

- Corey Hack Mrs. Terry Shepard's class, Eugene Field Elementary School son of Ms. Susan Weber
- Kamryn Shaffer Mrs. Kelly Louderback's class, Garfield Elementary School daughter of Mr. Evan Shaffer and Mrs. Dee Shaffer (Kamryn was not present)
- Morgan Bridges Mr. Gabriel Rich's class, Lincoln Elementary School daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Bridges
- Noah Stewart Mrs. Christi Montgomery's class, Calvary Baptist Academy son of Mr. & Mrs. Loren Stewart
- Kelvin Heckman Mrs. Megan Mace's class, Sacred Heart School son of Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Heckman

Overall City Winner

Thereupon, Mr. Moody stated the City's "Overall" winning poster was submitted to the Kansas Forest Service for judging in the Statewide Competition in February. As in previous years, a tree will be planted for Arbor Day, April 28th with a tentative rain date for May 6th at the City Winners School. Thereupon, Mr. Moody announced the 2010 City of Ottawa Poster Contest Winner as Corey Hack from Eugene Field Elementary School.

Thereupon, the Governing Body congratulated all the students receiving awards.

Proclamation-Ottawa Volunteer Week

Thereupon, Mayor Reed read a proclamation recognizing Ottawa Volunteer Week in the City of Ottawa. Ottawa Volunteer Week is April 10-16, 2011. Volunteer provide much-needed assistance and support to many local organizations and businesses. Thereupon, Lisa Rivers, Director of the Ottawa Volunteer Center, accepted the proclamation.

Airport Advisory Board

Thereupon, Mayor Reed explained City ordinance seats the Mayor as one of the seven board members on the Airport Advisory Board, Ken Davidson and Cal Lantis are each recommended for a two-year appointment; Chad Caylor and Jack Miller are each recommended for three-year appointments. Once the initial board is convened, the board will make recommendations to fill the April 6, 2011

remaining two seats. Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to approve the named appointments. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the appointments duly approved.

Bid Opening Report & Acceptance of Bid

Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen announced his employer Great Southern Bank had submitted a bid and he would abstain from voting and discussion on this issue.

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Director of Finance Scott Bird who provided a report on the bid opening for General Obligation Bonds and request for acceptance of a bid. It was explained bids were received for the sale of \$840,000 principal amount in General Obligation Renewal Temporary notes for the purpose of renewing the financing for Ottawa Municipal Airport improvement projects.

Thereupon, Mr. Bird presented the bids as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Average Annual Net Rate (%)</u>
UMB Bank	1.379769%
DeWaay Financial	1.35375%
Commerce Bank	1.441156%
Country Club Bank	1.694220%
Great Southern Bank	0.75%

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fleer, to accept the lowest and best bid from Great Southern Bank. The motion was considered and upon being put, passed by the following vote: Commissioner Jorgensen abstained, Commissioner Fleer aye, Commissioner Ramsey aye, Commissioner Humm aye, and Mayor Reed aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the bid duly accepted by a 4-1 vote.

Resolution-General Obligation Renewal Temporary Notes

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a resolution prescribing the form and details of and authorizing the delivery of \$840,000 principal amount of the General Obligation renewal temporary notes, Series 2011A, of the City of Ottawa, Kansas for the purpose of renewing certain outstanding notes of the city. Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Humm, to adopt the resolution. The motion was considered and upon being put, passed by the following vote: Commissioner Fleer aye, Commissioner Ramsey aye, Commissioner Humm aye, Commissioner Jorgensen abstained, and Mayor Reed aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the resolution duly adopted by a 4-1 vote and the resolution was duly numbered Resolution No. 1545-11.

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Ordinance-Rezone Urban Growth Area

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed an ordinance rezoning an area within the Urban Growth Area, Franklin County, Kansas, and updating the section of zoning map which is a part of Ordinance No. 3501-05 of the City of Ottawa, Kansas. Thereupon, Commissioner Humm made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen, to adopt the ordinance.

During discussion it was explained addresses included in this rezone include: 3106 K68 Highway, 3118 K68 Highway, 3231 Nebraska Road, 3230 Nebraska Road, 3280 Nebraska Road, 3154 Nebraska Road, 3140 Nebraska Road, 3080 Neosho Road, 3090 Neosho Road, 3196 Nebraska Road. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the ordinance duly adopted and the ordinance was duly numbered Ordinance No. 3781-11.

Youth in Government Report

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Lisa Rivers, Director of the Youth in Government program who provided information on the Kansas Governor Points of Light Award.

Ms. Rivers reported former Youth Delegate Abbey Guenther (currently a freshman at Kansas State) has recently received the Kansas Governor Points of Light Award. Ms. Rivers reminded the Governing Body that the community, a couple years ago, received this award for response to the Chapman disaster. Abbey Guenther received this award for her work on "Make a Difference Day" as Student Body President at OHS as well as, her work with the "Clean Indoor Air Ordinance" and "You Can Make a Difference" campaign with rain barrels and rain gardens. Thereupon, the Governing Body thanked Ms. Rivers for sharing this information and congratulated Ms. Guenther.

Report from Ottawa University Student Body

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Andrew McCluney who reported on activities at Ottawa University. Mr. McCluney expressed it has been a pleasure reporting at the City Commission meetings.

Mayor's Report

Thereupon, the Mayor Reed expressed appreciation to all voters and the importance of voting. In addition, she thanked all the candidates that were willing to serve.

Announcements

Thereupon, the Mayor announced:

1. April 11, 2011: Study Session at 4 pm
2. April 20, 2011: Next Regular Meeting, RECHEDULED to 7 pm
3. May 30, 2011: Memorial Day Holiday-City offices closed
4. May 30, 2011: Study Session CANCELED –Memorial Day Holiday

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Humm made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen, 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 7:30 am.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk