

**STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OTTAWA, KANSAS
Minutes of
February 21, 2011**

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

Ordinance-Rezone Urban Growth Area

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Director of Planning/Codes/Inspection Wynndee Lee who reviewed an ordinance to rezone an area in the Urban Growth Area (UGA) from Franklin County Zoning to City Zoning. Addresses included in this rezone include: 3120, 3190, 3196, 3198, 3200, 3290, 3300, and 3325 K-68 Highway; 3266 Nebraska Terrace; 3325 Nebraska Terrace; and 3202 K-68 Highway. The Planning Commission recommended approval of these rezonings with a 6-0 vote. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed to place this item on the Regular Meeting Agenda for March 2.

2011 KDOT Federal Fund Exchange

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Public Works Director Andy Haney who explained that in order to secure the federal funds with projects the City is certain will happen, the following is proposed:

- The asphalt overlay for Parking Lot B
- The City's share of funding for the KLINK improvement to K-68 west of the bridge

In addition, Mr. Haney explained current estimates for these two projects indicate the full amount of available federal funds may not be obligated. For that reason he recommended including the list of pending slurry seal and overlay projects be included as part of the application. Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to prepare the application as recommended. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the proposed application duly approved.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt called upon Executive Assistant Leslie Quillen to provide an update. Thereupon, Ms. Quillen provided the following report as of the morning of February 21.

24.71%	Baldwin City (840 CFL bulb switches)
11.53%	Ottawa (1,374 CFL bulb switches)
10.84%	Paola (543 CFL bulb switches)
2.4%	Gardner (230 CFL bulb switches)

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Thereupon, Mr. Nienstedt reported on the following:

- League Alert that should be given attention with regards to Home Rule, Seat Belts, Elections, and Annexations
- Recently attending the Finance Conference in Wichita

Commissioners' Report

Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer discussed a call she received regarding the maintenance of the basketball court in Forest Park. Thereupon, staff will check on who is responsible for the maintenance.

Thereupon, Commissioner Humm inquired about a door "hang tag" for sewer cleaning notification. The Director of Utilities Jim Bradley explained a contractor is using the hang tags and identification for City of Ottawa will be added.

Mayor's Report

Thereupon, Mayor Reed recognized the efforts of the Missing Person Alert that recently helped located a citizen.

Mayor Reed announced she had attended the McGruff event on Saturday and encouraged others to attend.

Announcements

Thereupon the Mayor announced:

1. February 28, 2011: Study Session at 4 pm
2. March 2, 2011: Regular Meeting at 7 pm
3. March 9, 2011: Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, 7:30 am-9 am, Faith Lutheran Church, 1320 W 15th Street, tickets required

Thereupon, Commissioner Fleer stated after the February 28, 2011 Study Session candidates for City Commission have been invited to attend an informational meeting with the City Manager.

Adjournment

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

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk

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