

**CITY COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Commission Chambers  
101 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas  
Minutes of April 18, 2012**

The City Governing Body met at 9:30 am this date for the Regular City Commission Meeting with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Jorgensen, Commissioner Richards, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Ramsey, and Commissioner Reed. A quorum was present.

The Mayor 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 Director of Planning/Codes/Inspections Wynndee Lee.

**Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Ramsey made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richards, to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda included the agenda and minutes from the April 2 and April 9, 2012 Study Sessions; and the April 4, 2012 Regular Meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. The Mayor declared the Consent Agenda duly approved.

**Public Comments**

None offered at this time.

**Declaration**

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-Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month**

Mayor Jorgensen read a proclamation recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month and April 24, 2012 as "I am for the Child" Day. April is National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) volunteers Shelly Lojka and Sasha St John accepted the proclamation. Ms. Lojka thanked the Governing Body for the recognition and encouraged everyone to wear blue on April 24, 2012 in support of all children.

**Proclamation-Ottawa Volunteer Week**

Mayor Jorgensen read a proclamation recognizing Ottawa Volunteer Week. Volunteers provide much-needed assistance and support to many local organizations and businesses. Director of Ottawa Volunteer Center Lisa Rivers accepted the proclamation. Ms. Rivers thanked the Governing Body for recognizing Ottawa Volunteer Week and encouraged the community to donate their time. Ms. Rivers invited everyone to attend the volunteer appreciation luncheon at Washburn Towers on Friday, April 20, 2012 from 11am–1:30 pm.

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### **Proclamation-Tom Weigand**

Mayor Jorgensen read a proclamation recognizing Tom Weigand. After nearly 10 years of service to the Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce, President and CEO Tom Weigand is moving on to his next career opportunity. The Governing Body thanked Tom for his work and commitment to the City of Ottawa. Mr. Weigand expressed his appreciation for this recognition and the support he received while serving Ottawa. Mayor Jorgensen thanked Mr. Weigand for the excellent job he has done over the years.

### **City Manager's Report**

The City Manager reported on the following:

- Joint City/County/USD 290 Luncheon today at USD 290 offices, 1404 S Ash

### **Commissioners' Reports**

Commissioner Caylor reported on the following:

- Today's meeting was a favorite as many great things that have happened in our community were celebrated
- Thanked the citizens for their generosity

Commissioner Reed reported on the following:

- Glad to be part of this morning's celebrations

Commissioner Richards reported on the following:

- Read a quote that is meaningful to him and encouraged everyone to live each day to their fullest potential

Commissioner Ramsey reported on the following:

- Our community is rich with volunteers
- Ottawa is a great community to be in

### **Announcements**

The Mayor announced the following:

- April 18, 2012: City/County/USD 290 Luncheon at USD 290 Offices, 1404 S. Ash
- April 23, 2012: Study Session at 4 pm
- April 30, 2012: Study Session at 4 pm
- May 2, 2012: Next Regular Meeting at 7 pm

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Commissioner Caylor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Reed, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Mayor Jorgensen declared the meeting duly adjourned at 9:51 am.

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Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk  
April 18, 2012