

Arkansas City Commission Meeting Minutes

The Arkansas City Board of City Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday January 22, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall. Those present at roll call were Mayor Tweedy III, Commissioners Giles, McDonald, Snell, and Warren. Also present at roll call were City Manager Nick Hernandez, City Attorney Tamara Niles, Finance Director Kathy Cornwell, Neighborhood Services Superintendent Matt Rowland, Fire Chief Bobby Wolf, Police Chief Sean Wallace, and City Clerk Lesley Shook.

Pastor Fry offered the opening prayer.

Mayor Tweedy III led the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Warren moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Giles seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Tweedy III declared the agenda approved -

Awards and Proclamations

Mayor Tweedy III presented the National Night out Award to the Arkansas City Police Department. Chief Wallace and Officer McMillian were present to accept the award.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Snell to approve the consent agenda. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Tweedy III declared the consent agenda approved.

1. Approval of January 8, 2013 regular Meeting minutes as written.
2. Mayors Appointments:
 - a. Lance Niles – Outstanding Young Student Award Committee

New Business

Set Hearing/Dangerous Structure
728 S. 2nd Street
Resolution No. 2013-01-2802

City Clerk Shook presented a resolution setting a public hearing to determine status of potential dangerous structure located at 728 S. 2nd Street. Neighborhood Services Superintendent Matt Rowland presented a PowerPoint presentation to the commission with current pictures of the property. A fire occurred on November 30, 2012 and the insurance company declared the structure a total loss. The city is currently holding a 15% insurance lien for compliance and according to state statute has 20 days to start a dangerous structure action against the property. Commissioner Giles stated he would abstain from action on this item because of a possible conflict of interest. Commissioner McDonald moved to set a date for a public hearing on March 5,

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2013. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. Following a 4-0 vote, Mayor Tweedy III declared the resolution adopted and given Resolution No. 2013-01-2802.

Pay Plan 2013 **Ordinance No. 2013-01-4326**

City Clerk Shook presented for first read an Ordinance adopting the budgeted pay plan for 2013 and repealing Ordinance 2012-08-4306. City Manager Hernandez noted there is only one minor change to this ordinance and that is the removal of the sanitation driver job title. Following discussion, Commissioner McDonald moved to approve an ordinance adopting the budgeted pay plan for 2013 and repealing Ordinance 2012-08-4306. Commissioner Snell seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Tweedy III declared the ordinance adopted and given Ordinance No. 2013-01-4326.

Commission Governance Policy **Rules of Procedure** **Resolution No. 2013-01-2803**

City Clerk Shook presented a Resolution adopting the Arkansas City Commission Governance Policy and Rules of Procedure. City Manager Hernandez distributed a copy of the Commission Governance Policy and Rules of Procedure manual to the governing body. He noted the manual was basically a handbook for the commission and reviewed the various sections of the manual. Following discussion, Commissioner McDonald moved to approve the Resolution adopting the Arkansas City Commission Governance Policy and Rules of Procedure. Commissioner Giles seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Tweedy III declared the resolution adopted and given Resolution No. 2013-01-2803.

Sale of Real Estate **Cohen-Esrey Affordable Partners, LLC** **216 W. Birch/Former SCKRMC** **Resolution No. 2013-01-2804**

City Clerk Shook presented a Resolution authorizing the sale of real estate between Cohen-Esrey Affordable Partners, LLC and the City of Arkansas City for the property located at 216 W. Birch Avenue, commonly known as the former South Central Kansas Regional Medical Center Facility. City Manager noted this is an agreement that has been in the works for over a year. This contract will give Cohen-Esrey Affordable Partners one year to obtain all the necessary tax credits to get the project moving forward and assess the building further. There is also a signed agreement that lists specific contents of the building that will remain property of the City. The contract involves a yearlong study with a closing date of December 31, 2013. Pearl Turner, N. Summit, expressed her gratitude that the building will be reused. Following discussion, Commissioner McDonald moved to approve a Resolution authorizing the sale of real estate between Cohen-Esrey Affordable Partners, LLC and the City of Arkansas City. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Tweedy III declared the resolution adopted and given Resolution No. 2013-01-2804.

City Manager Updates

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City Manager Hernandez noted the emergency dispatch consolidation between Arkansas City, Winfield, and the County for 911 is on track for July 1, 2013. He noted there might be possible operation agreements within the next few months until the consolidation is complete.

City Manager Hernandez noted the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan fund has been approved for three projects; water treatment plant replacement, new water tower that would service the east part of town, and installation of water meters in the community. City Manager Hernandez noted, if possible, he would like to proceed with installing the water meters first, the water treatment plant next, and finally the water tower.

City Manager Hernandez noted the 2013 City Commission filings as of noon today January 22, 2013 are; Commissioner Chad Giles, Commissioner Patrick McDonald, Commissioner Jay Warren, Scott Snavelly, and Dan Jurkovich, and Karen Baird.

Adjournment

Commissioner Warren moved to adjourn. Commissioner Snell seconded the motion. Voice vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Mayor Tweedy III declared the meeting adjourned.

THE ARKANSAS CITY
BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Charles Tweedy III

ATTEST:

Lesley Shook
City Clerk