

**CITY OF FORT SCOTT
CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

Minutes of April 18, 2017

Regular Meeting #8

The regular meeting of the Fort Scott City Commission was held April 18th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room, 123 S. Main, Fort Scott, Kansas.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Bartelsmeyer, Mason and Nichols were present with Mayor Mitchell presiding. Commissioner Adams was absent.

INVOCATION: Allen Schellack, Police Chaplain, said a prayer asking God for guidance for the city and all government and city officials.

AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE: Travis Shelton, Dustin McClure, Clayton Miller, Deb Needleman, Lindsay Madison, Rhonda Dunn, Bob Guilfoyle, Paul Ballou, Dave Bruner, Jon Kindlesparger, Allen Schellack, Clint Lawrence, Daren Hutchison, Trey Sharp, Michael Miles, Tara Lyden, Anna Anderson, Alisha Watkins, John Zimmerman, Owenn Thommas Anderson, Janet Braun, and Jason Silvers, representing the Fort Scott Tribune.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS:

Recognition of Fort Scott Fire Department Firefighters – Dave Bruner, Deputy Fire Chief, recognized Dispatchers Tara Lyden and Allen Schellack, and Captain Daren Hutchison, Lieutenant Michael Miles, and Firefighters Michael Lines and Clint Lawrence for their response to a 911 call on March 1st, 2017 that involved labor and delivery. The firemen responded to the call and her contractions were very close together. The firemen delivered the precious little baby boy. When they arrived at Mercy emergency room, both mother and baby were in very good condition. He introduced the mother, Anna Anderson, and the little baby, Owenn Thommas Anderson. Deputy Chief Bruner presented each fireman and dispatcher with a certificate of recognition and baby Owenn with a gift.

Commissioners said they are very proud of our dispatchers and firefighters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND APPROPRIATIONS/CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 4th, 2017.
- B. Approval of Appropriation Ordinance 1191-A totaling \$265,876.58.
- C. Resolution 17-2017 and Notice of Hearing with Reference to Alleged Unsafe and Dangerous Structure located at 424 S. Burke Street – Public Hearing – 6/6/2017 – 6:15 p.m.
- D. Certificate of Appropriateness – Water feature at Unsung Heroes Park at 1 S. Main Street

Bartelsmeyer moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mason seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA.

APPEARANCE/COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. APPEARANCE:** Craw-Kan presentation – Bob Guilfoyle appeared before the Commission to inform them that CrawKan will be moving into the City of Fort Scott to offer fiber to the businesses and residents. They are currently in three different states and have fiber in Fulton, Hiattville and Pleasanton. They have been in business for 65 years. They want to expand their business into Fort Scott and look to start digging tomorrow. This is Phase 1 of their project which will take a total of 90 calendar days. They will have three working crews in town to install fiber. They also offer cable television and telephone services.

City Manager said that the City will work with them to possibly provide a place to install fiber on City property.

Commissioners thanked him and his company for making a commitment to Fort Scott.

- B. CITIZEN COMMENTS** (Concerning Items Not on Agenda – 3 minute limit per citizen) - None

- C. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of Street Closure – Crossfit Run – Travis Shelton, Chief of Police, informed the Commission that he was approached by Brooks Narvaez of CrossFit who would like to have a Murph Challenge. This event will be on Monday, May 29th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. They have asked for the following streets to be closed: Wall Street from National Avenue to Scott Avenue and North Main to Skubitz Plaza. Approval was recommended.

Mitchell moved to approve to close the above mentioned streets. Nichols seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED TO CLOSE WALL STREET FROM NATIONAL AVENUE TO SCOTT AVENUE AND NORTH MAIN TO SKUBITZ PLAZA ON MONDAY, MAY 29TH, 2017 FROM 8:00 A.M TO 10:00 A.M.

2. Consideration of Bids – Four Police Interceptor Vehicles – Travis Shelton, Chief of Police, informed the Commission that bids were taken for the purchase of four 2017 Police Interceptors. He reminded them that these were bid out earlier and did not receive the participation they desired so they rebid this again and removed the

vehicle wrap. There were two bids received with Shawnee Mission Ford in the amount of \$29,162 per vehicle and Briggs Auto Group in the amount of \$31,500 per vehicle. He asked approval for the local bid from Briggs Auto Group in the amount of \$31,500 per vehicle.

Mason moved to approve the bid from Briggs Auto Group of Fort Scott in the amount of \$31,500 per vehicle for the purchase of four 2017 Police Interceptors for a total amount of \$126,000. Bartelsmeyer seconded. Bartelsmeyer, Mason and Mitchell voted aye. Nichols voted no. Motion carried.

APPROVED THE BID FROM BRIGGS AUTO GROUP OF FORT SCOTT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,500 PER VEHICLE FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR 2017 POLICE INTERCEPTORS FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$126,000.

3. Consideration of Bids – Rotary Rough Mower – Golf Course – Jon Kindlesparger, Golf Cart Superintendent, informed the Commission that bids were taken to replace the old rotary mower at the golf course. This was bid with two options of a higher and lower horsepower motor. There were three bids received and he asked for approval for the low bid from Kansas Golf and Turf of Wichita, Kansas in the amount of \$16,959. This bid is for the lower horsepower motor. This is a budgeted item.

Mason moved to approve the low bid from Kansas Golf and Turf of Wichita, Kansas in the amount of \$16,959. Nichols seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED THE LOW BID FROM KANSAS GOLF AND TURF OF WICHITA, KANSAS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,959.

4. Consideration of Bids – Three sets of bunker gear – This was tabled until the May 2nd, 2017 meeting.

COMMISSION/STAFF:

A. Director Updates: Rhonda Dunn – Earth Day update – Rhonda updated the Commission on the upcoming Spring Cleanup. There will be a listening meeting held on Thursday, April 20th, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. They are focusing on the section of the City west of National Avenue to the river and North of 6th Street to the River. The Good Neighbor Action Team will work with the Codes Department on the cleanup in this area as well as a group from the Presbyterian Church.

May 21st, 2017 will be a work weekend for the Presbyterian Church work group. The Codes Department will go door to door before that date and look at property in this designated area. They will give a list to the Presbyterian Church of those needing assistance.

Earth Day is Friday, April 21st and Saturday, April 22nd. There will be two dumpsters placed with one north of H & H Agency for trash and one at 6th and Margrave for C & D. Dump fees will also be waived for this weekend. There will also be two rollofs there. 4 States Sanitation will be there with their recycling trailers also.

Don Tucker and Ralph Carlson are picking up tires and hauling them to the County landfill if someone has old tires with no way to get them there.

B. City Commission:

Adams – Not present.

Bartelsmeyer – Remarked that she attended a Downtown Meet and Greet this morning and it's exciting to hear all that is going on.

Mason – Remarked that he is very proud of his granddaughter who will be graduating soon with her doctorate degree from Oklahoma State. He will be performing her wedding on July 1st.

He asked that the newspaper and the radio notify the public that people should not mow their grass into the City streets. It clogs the sewers up and the water will not drain.

Nichols - Nothing to report.

Mitchell – Nothing to report.

C. City Attorney: Nothing to report.

D. Director of Finance: Not present.

E. City Manager:

1. Letter of Support – Fort Scott Lofts – City Manager thanked the Commission for signing the Letter of Support for Fort Scott Lofts and possible funding. Rachel is currently collecting letters and will send them in shortly.
2. Main Street Property – City Manager stated that years ago the City used to own the property at 7th and Main across from Fisher Park. It was put out to bid and a couple from Ohio bought the property with plans to develop it but that never occurred. The City has attempted to purchase the property back with no success. There is a committee that has formed that would like to purchase this property and develop a parking lot in part of it. There is an issue with parking when games are held in this area. The committee needs to raise \$4,500 to purchase the property. If the committee can raise the funds and purchase the property, they will turn the property back to the City. The property would be maintained by

the Recreation Department. A section of the property will be held for five years for possible development of a structure. He asked the Commission for approval for he and the City Attorney to develop a Letter of Understanding between the City and the Committee and for the City to donate \$1,000 towards the committee's fundraising efforts.

Bartelsmeyer moved to approve the City Attorney and City Manager develop a Letter of Understanding between the Committee and the City and for the City to donate \$1,000 towards their fundraising efforts to help get this land purchased. Nichols seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY MANAGER DEVELOP A LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COMMITTEE AND THE CITY AND FOR THE CITY TO DONATE \$1,000 TOWARDS THEIR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS TO HELP GET THIS LAND PURCHASED AT 7TH AND MAIN STREET ACROSS FROM FISHER PARK.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mason moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. Bartelsmeyer seconded. All voted aye.

ADJOURNED MEETING AT 6:33 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held on May 2nd, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

RECORDED BY:

**DIANE K. CLAY
CITY CLERK**