

**CITY OF FORT SCOTT
CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

Minutes of October 17, 2017

Regular Meeting #19

The regular meeting of the Fort Scott City Commission was held October 17th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room, 123 S. Main, Fort Scott, Kansas.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Adams, Bartelsmeyer, Nichols and Parker were present with Mayor Mitchell presiding.

INVOCATION: Pastor Steven Cole, First United Methodist Church, said a prayer asking God for guidance for the city and all government officials.

AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE: Travis Shelton, Denise Duncan, Larry Gazaway, Jeff Fischer, Jim Shoemaker, Steven Cole, Billy Keith, Barbara Ritter, Brian Ritter, Peggy Ritter, Justin Meeks, Janet Braun, Rachel Pruitt, Deb Needleman, Cheryl Adamson, Rhonda Dunn, Kenny Howard, and Jason Silvers, representing the Fort Scott Tribune.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND APPROPRIATIONS/CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of October 3rd, 2017.
- B. Approval of Appropriation Ordinance 1201-A totaling \$879,276.29.
- C. Street Closing Request – Community Christian Church – October 31st, 2017 – Annual Trunk or Treat Event
- D. Approval of Boiler Room Brewhaus - Microbrewery – 102 S. National – Suite 1B

Rachel Pruitt informed the Commission that Barbara & Brian Ritter & Peggy Ritter were present with Black Dog Farms. They want to have a microbrewery housed in the basement of the Beaux Arts Center at 102 S. National. They are from the Garland area and this should bring many people to town. She said at the next Commission meeting that an ordinance to establish a community consumption area will be heard.

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

APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA.

APPEARANCE/COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARING:

A. APPEARANCE: None

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

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of approval of Airport Engineering Consultant – Kenny Howard, Airport Director, informed the Commission that on September 20th, 2017 Request for Qualifications were mailed to thirteen engineering firms to select a consultant for the City's five year Airport Improvement Program. The City received one set of qualifications from Olsson Associates and one letter of no interest. There was also one engineering firm that came in after the deadline to submit the RFQ's. Kenny asked for approval to select Olsson Associates to be the City's Airport Engineering Consultant for the next five years.

Parker moved to approve for Olsson Associates to be the City's Airport engineering consultant for the next five years. Nichols seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED FOR OLSSON ASSOCIATES TO BE THE CITY'S AIRPORT ENGINEERING CONSULTANT FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS FOR THE AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

2. Consideration of approval to build hangar/storage building at Fort Scott Municipal Airport – Kenny Howard, Airport Director, informed the Commission that Aaron Phillips, Phillips Aviation, would like to construct a 30' X 40' building adjacent to his airport hangar to store his equipment in. There will be no cost to the City. A form 7460 will need to be submitted to F.A.A. for their approval which will need to occur also. Mr. Phillips has sprayed over 50,000 acres in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Illinois this year and purchased over 8,000 gallons of fuel. He asked for approval to enter into a lease agreement for the construction of a 30' X 40' building for Phillips Aviation.

Adams moved to approve the construction of a 30' X 40' building for Phillips Aviation adjacent to his current hangar upon approval from the F.A.A. Parker seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED CONSTRUCTION OF A 30' X 40' BUILDING FOR PHILLIPS AVIATION ADJACENT TO HIS CURRENT HANGAR UPON APPROVAL FROM THE F.A.A.

COMMISSION/STAFF:

A. Director Updates: Rachel Pruitt – Rachel Pruitt spoke on behalf of Chad Brown who was visiting a sick uncle out of town. Rachel gave an update on the Street Department and projects completed since 2014.

B. City Commission:

Adams – Remarked that the striping looks great on the City streets and he likes the reflective material used. He asked that the traffic signals be looked at for the 3rd and National location. He feels that this could be a four-way stop with stop signs instead of the traffic signals. He suggested that the lights could be solar powered. He also suggested selling the current traffic lights at that location as a fundraiser.

Bartelsmeyer remarked that the stop sign at 2nd and National should be a four-way stop.

City Manager asked that he have City Staff research it and report back at the next meeting.

City Manager also informed the Commission that the Staff is researching installing a flashing light at the Wall and Franklin intersection to alert the public of the fire station and possible emergency vehicles emerging there.

Nichols – Nothing to report.

Bartelsmeyer – Nothing to report.

Parker – Thanked Rachel for the update. She also remarked that Mr. Shoemaker's new fence looks great!

Mitchell – Nothing to report.

C. City Attorney: Not present.

D. Director of Finance: Not present.

E. City Manager:

1. November 29th, 2017 – City Manager said that the City will be helping feed individuals at Feeding Families in His Name at the Methodist Church. It will be from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. that evening. He invited them to attend.
2. October 26th, 2017 – City Manager informed the Commission that Michael Trim will be conducting police training with firearms. It will be held from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3. 2nd Street – Bridal Veil Park – City Manager said that several months ago he was asked to research the selling of Bridal Veil Park/2nd Street Park. He has spoken to Robert Nelson and some individuals with H.P.A. regarding the historical factor. There are W.P.A. items there – picnic tables, a pavilion and the rock wall. He is not sure how we could move these items to another park without damaging them. The City spends \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year for gravel and cleanup as this park does flood at times. The park is not well used and there is quite a bit of police activity there. The City would not get rid of this park due to the budget but due to the fact that the City determines if there are enough parks for the public in town. He reiterated that there is no motion that will be done tonight but asked that the Commission discuss this at their November 21st, 2017 meeting. He said it has been discussed that in the future this park could connect to Riverfront Park from Gunn Park, but easements could be given for this use also. He asked the Commission to discuss this at their November 21st, 2017 meeting.

Mitchell moved to discuss the sale of 2nd Street/Bridal Veil Park at their November 21st, 2017 meeting. Bartelsmeyer seconded. All voted aye.

APPROVED TO DISCUSS THE SALE OF 2ND STREET/BRIDAL VEIL PARK AT THEIR NOVEMBER 21ST, 2017 MEETING.

4. Rhonda Dunn, Community Development Director, reminded the Commission of the work session at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18th, 2017 regarding Land Bank 101. She handed out books to the Commissioners.
5. Black Dog Farms – City Manager thanked the owners of Black Dog Farms and Denise Duncan for being present tonight and wanting to invest into our community.

ADJOURNMENT:

Bartelsmeyer moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Nichols seconded. All voted aye.

ADJOURNED MEETING AT 6:37 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held on November 7th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

RECORDED BY:

DIANE K. CLAY
CITY CLERK