

McPherson, Kansas
June 20, 2011

The McPherson Board of City Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, June 20, 2011, at the Municipal Center, 400 East Kansas Avenue. The meeting was conducted by Mayor Thomas A. Brown. Commissioners Robert Moore and Michael Alkire were present.

Staff present: Jeff Deal, fire chief; Rick Unruh, assistant fire chief; Randy Pauls, cemetery sexton; Paul Katzer, park superintendent; Doug Whitacre, public works director; Anne Hassler, director, convention & visitors bureau; Dennis Shaw, police chief; Jeff Houston, city attorney; Nick Gregory, city administrator; Sherry Conyers, deputy clerk.

Others present: Sean Wardwell, McPherson Sentinel; Nick Gosnell, Radio Station KNGL; Denny Walters, Michael Price.

Upon m/s/c (Moore/Alkire) unanimously, the minutes of the meeting of June 13, 2011, were approved as written and distributed.

An ordinance was introduced, read and entitled "AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS."

Upon motion by Commissioner Moore seconded by Commissioner Alkire the ordinance was read by sections and upon its final adoption roll was called and the following vote was had: Ayes – three. Nays – none.

Upon the announcement of the foregoing vote the mayor declared the ordinance adopted, signed the same and it was numbered -----25.

Mayor Brown opened the public input session and Denny Walters asked that the intersection of Euclid and Oak have a turning lane.

The public input session was closed and the meeting continued in regular session.

Upon m/s/c (Moore/Alkire) unanimously, the agenda was approved with the addition of several requests by fire chief, Jeff Deal, an executive session regarding non-elected personnel, and a study session regarding the employee handbook.

Michael Price, 820 Deerfield Road, appeared to request an extension for removal of an inoperable vehicle as it was involved in an accident and an insurance settlement was just recently secured.

Upon m/s/c (Moore/Alkire) unanimously, action was tabled until the July 5 commission meeting.

Anne Hassler, director, convention & visitors bureau, reported that the advisory board has approved purchasing a Macbook Pro laptop computer with Microsoft Office and a three year service warranty for the event/convention coordinator. The cost is not to exceed \$2,045.95.

Upon m/s/c (Brown/Moore) unanimously, commissioners approved purchase of the laptop computer.

Upon m/s/c (Brown/Alkire) unanimously, authorization was given for Farmers Alliance to sponsor a movie in the park on July 23 and New Hope Evangelical Church to sponsor one on September 3. The August 6 movie has been changed to "Hoosiers."

Upon m/s/c (Brown/Alkire) unanimously, approval was given to a \$500.00 sports tournament grant for the McPherson MAYB tournament July 8-10, 2011.

Doug Whitacre, public works director, reported that the Kansas Department of Transportation is accepting applications for the KLINK Resurfacing Program for fiscal year 2013. Public works is recommending application for a nova chip resurfacing for the portion of Main Street south of Kansas Avenue to the railroad tracks. The estimated cost of the project is \$278,687.00 with the city being responsible for 50% or \$129,343.00.

Upon m/s/c (Alkire/Moore) unanimously, permission was given to apply for the KLINK Resurfacing Program.

Upon m/s/c (Alkire/Moore) unanimously, authorization was given for the mayor to sign an encroachment easement into the utility and drainage easement at 1117 Heritage for installation of a privacy fence.

Upon m/s/c (Alkire/Moore) unanimously, permission was granted for Luminous Neon Inc. of Hutchinson to close one lane of traffic on Main and Kansas for approximately six hours while a new sign is installed for Peoples Bank & Trust, and to provide the necessary traffic control assistance.

Upon m/s/c (Brown/Alkire) unanimously, the following wages were approved:

Scott DeMott, Street
Crew Leader
\$18.85/hr to \$19.76/hr
Effective 6/17/2011

Richard Rogers, Police
Patrol Officer
\$19.79/hr to \$20.68/hr
Effective 7/1/2011

Isaac Marcantonio, Police
Patrol Officer
\$19.790/hr to \$20.68/hr
Effective 7/1/2011

Cody Bogart, Fire
Firefighter/Lieutenant
\$13.78/hr to \$13.91/hr
Effective 6/17/2011

Martin Koehn, Fire
Paid Call Firefighter
\$12.59/hr
Effective 7/1/2011

Upon m/s/c (Brown/Moore) unanimously, the commission agreed to go into executive session for 20 minutes under the provision of non-elected personnel.

The commission went into executive session at 9:00 a.m. and reconvened in regular session at 9:20 a.m.

No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

Thomas A. Brown, Mayor

Tamra Seely, City Clerk