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October 01, 2024

Regular Meeting:

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Wednesday, October 01, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue. Those present were Commissioners: Dwight Faulkner, Michele Jacobs, William Ditto, Clifford Baughman and Mayor Richard Weixelman.

The City Manager, Stacie Eichem, City Clerk, Shanda Jahnke, and Jake Pugh, City Attorney were also present.

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held September 17, 2024. After careful reading and discussion thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Baughman and seconded by Commissioner Faulkner to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk submitted Appropriation Ordinance No. 1702 to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval. After careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1702. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Public Comments and Communications:

The next regular work session will be October 15, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

Museum Signage Request:

Michele Johnson was present to introduce herself to the Governing Body as the new curator of the museum. She would like to market the museum with additional signage. She presented a map with the sample signs and a preferred locations for signs. The City Manager advised that she had already spoken with parks staff, and they didn't have objections, it was her recommendation to approve the signage with park staff input on placement. Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the request contingent upon working with city staff for placement. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Haunted House signage Request:

The City Manager advised that the annual haunted house owned and operated by the Weixelman family had requested sandwich board signage at the corners of 4th and Elm Street(s), 5th and Elm Street(s) and 5th Street and Lincoln Avenue on Saturdays in October during the open hours of the haunted house. Commissioner Ditto moved, Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion to allow the sandwich boards at the requested locations during open hours of the attraction. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0, Mayor Weixelman abstained.

Library Window Replacement:

Stacie advised that she had met with Alisha Paddock, Library Board Chair, about replacing the windows in the old section of the library to match the new section with Match Day funds and the process. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Ditto moved to approve the city to go out for request for proposals for the window replacement breaking all items out. Commissioner Jacobs seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Water Tower Painting:

The City Manager reminded the Governing Body of previous discussions about painting the old water tower, which is included in the maintenance contract. Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Weixelman to approve painting the old water tower with the gray stem, white top with the full red city logo. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

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Resolution of Intent – Kaw Valley Road:

Stacie advised that to move forward with the KDOT cost share for Kaw Valley Road, a resolution of intent needed to be passed prior to accepting the agreement. Resolution No. 20241001 was presented and read as follows: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS THEREOF.

Commissioner Faulkner moved, seconded by Commissioner Ditto, to approve Resolution No. 20241001. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

KDOT Cost Share Agreement:

The cost share agreement for Kaw Valley Road was presented. Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner to approve the KDOT cost share agreement with KDOT contingent upon city attorney review. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Board Appointments:

Mayor Weixelman appointed Mike Solida to the Planning Commission.

Project Updates and Change Orders:

The City Manager advised that the street project was moving along with 6th Street between Spruce and Walnut Streets being constructed. The city will be posting maps with updates due to some of the projects shifts.

City Manager and Other Reports - City Manager

City sales tax was down 4%, County sales tax was up 2%

The library minutes, financials and statistics were included in the packet.

The annual league conference will be held in Wichita next week for those signed up.

Coffee with a Cop will be held Wednesday morning at the library.

Match Day will be held at Iron Clad on Thursday and the Ozttoberfest is Saturday.

At this time, Commissioner Faulkner moved to adjourn into executive session for twenty (20) minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, the regular meeting would reconvene at 6:42 P.M., Commissioner Ditto seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye:5, Nay:0.

The meeting reconvened.

At this time, Commissioner Baughman moved to adjourn into executive session for ten (10) minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, the regular meeting would reconvene at 6:52 P.M., Commissioner Ditto seconded the motion. Motion carried: Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Richard Weixelman, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk