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Regular Meeting:

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue. Those present were Commissioners: Dwight Faulkner, Michele Jacobs, Clifford Baughman and Mayor Richard Weixelman. Absent: Commissioner William Ditto.

The City Manager, Stacie Eiche, City Clerk, Shanda Jahnke, City Treasurer, Leslie Dugan and Jake Pugh, City Attorney, were also present.

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held October 15, 2024 and the special meeting held October 29, 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: 4, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk submitted Appropriation Ordinance No. 1704 to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval. After careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1704. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Public Comments and Communications:

- The next regular work session will be November 19, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.
- Alisha Paddock was present to introduce Maci Murillo as the new library director.
- The City Manager reported that Helen L. Richter had left a Veteran's Memorial donation in the amount of \$291,092.34.

Old City Shop Agreement:

The City Manager requested the issue be tabled until a future meeting to allow time for city attorney to review. The issue was tabled by a consensus.

Temporary Notes Renewal:

Resolution No. 20241105 was presented and read as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING FOR SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION RENEWAL TEMPORARY NOTES, SERIES 2024, OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS.

Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner, to approve Resolution No. 20241105. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

PrairieLand Partners Industrial Revenue Bonds:

Ordinance No. 1807 was presented and read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS TO ISSUE ITS TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2024 (PRAIRIELAND PARTNERS PROJECT) FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A COMMERCIAL FACILITY; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER RELATED DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS.

Commissioner Faulkner moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve Ordinance No. 1807. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

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Lincoln Crossing Unit 2 Replat:

Ordinance No. 1808 was presented and read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS, ACCEPTING THE REPLAT OF LINCOLN CROSSING UNIT 2 TO CASEY'S CROSSING LOCATED AT THE NORTH-WEST CORNER OF HIGHWAY 24 AND HIGHWAY 99; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve Ordinance No. 1808, contingent upon City Attorney review. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Kaw Valley Road Cost Share Olsson Agreement:

The City Manager reported that the agreement from Olsson for the engineering portion of the Kaw Valley Road Cost Share Project in the amount of \$524,443 had been received. It would be her recommendation to accept the agreement as presented. Commissioner Faulkner moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs, to approve the agreement with Olsson. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Library Window Proposal:

Stacie reported that multiple proposals had been received to replace the old library windows and east storefront with the lowest being from Riley Construction in the amount of \$45,500. She reminded the Governing Body that the library board had raised approximately \$35,000 for this project. Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve the proposal from Riley Construction contingent upon the library donating the funds raised for the project. Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Ballfield Grounds Proposal:

The City Manager advised that one proposal has been received for the ballfield ground project from Midwest Leaser Leveling in the amount of \$28,850. The change in the grounds at the ballfield would require a portable mound for other agencies to use the ballfield. The removal of the base pins and irrigation would be handled by city staff. Commissioner Faulkner moved, seconded by Commissioner Weixelman to approve the proposal for Midwest Laser Leveling. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Firework Request for Future Playoff Games:

The City Attorney recommended that the Governing Body authorize the City Manager to approve fireworks for future football playoff games. Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner, to authorize the City Manager to approve fireworks as recommended. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance Renewal:

Stacie advised that the 2025 premiums for the staff health insurance had been received with an approximate 8.6% increase. She advised that she will price other options next year for comparisons. Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs, to approve the renewal as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

Audit Engagement Letter:

The City Manager advised that every year the city signs an audit engagement letter for the following year's audit, it was the staff recommendation to stay with Shipley CPA. Commissioner Jacobs moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner, to approve the audit engagement letter with Shipley CPA. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

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Project Updates and Change Orders:

The City Manager advised that rain has slowed down the street project, but they were hoping to get back on schedule soon and had no change orders.

Purchase Requests:

Stacie reported that in 2023 the Governing Body had approved the purchase of a new patrol unit for 2024, however, the unit was not ordered but she had recently received information for a 2023 Dodge in the amount of \$49,805.17 with the additional police equipment. This unit would be white without the wrap and without a trade-in. Requests for proposals would also be going out soon for a new unit in 2025. Commissioner Jacobs moved, Commissioner Faulkner seconded, to approve the purchase as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0.

City Manager and Other Reports - City Manager

The library minutes, financials and statistics will be in the next packet.

The county sales tax is up 3% and the city sales tax is down 2.7% from this time last year.

At this time, Commissioner Baughman moved to adjourn into executive session twenty (20) minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, the regular meeting would be reconvened at 6:40 P.M., Commissioner Faulkner seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye:4, Nay:0.

The meeting was reconvened.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Richard Weixelman, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk