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June 18, 2024

**Regular Meeting:**

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue, Wamego, Kansas. Those present were Commissioners: Dwight Faulkner, Michele Jacobs, William Ditto, Clifford Baughman and Mayor Richard Weixelman.

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

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held June 04, 2024. After careful reading and discussion thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Jacobs and seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk submitted to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval Appropriation Ordinance No. 1695. After a careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1695. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Public Comments and Communications:**

The next regular work session will be July 02, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

**Board of Zoning Appeals Annual Update:**

Dorothy McNinch, current chairperson, presented the annual update for the Board of Zoning Appeals. Dorothy gave the Governing Body a list of multiple zoning variances and special use permits addressed since April 2023. The Governing Body thanked the members for their time and dedication.

**Economic Development Task Force:**

The City Manager advised that a task force including EcoDevo, Pottawatomie County, Chamber of Commerce and the City was formed due to the upcoming closure of Caterpillar Work Tools, a request had been made for a commissioner to be on the task force. Mayor Weixelman appointed Commissioner Faulkner to the task force.

**Library Tenant Agreement:**

Stacie advised that a draft memorandum of understanding had been received for the library. Jake Pugh's office had drafted the agreement, explaining that the library board is appointed by the City Commission, therefore this would be a memorandum of understanding instead of a lease. Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the memorandum of understanding while authorizing the City Attorney to make minor changes, if necessary, after the document has been presented to the library board, all major changes will come back to the City Commission. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

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**Fireworks:**

The City Manager advised that a request had been made to discharge fireworks on June 29<sup>th</sup> by Lisa Ward in conjunction with the fundraising event in honor of her son. A copy of the current ordinance referencing firework discharge was given to the commissioners in case they had over changes. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs, to approve the request for firework discharges at the Ward residence on June 29<sup>th</sup> this year only. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Country Club Request:**

Stacie reported a request had been received from the Country Club to have a local live band on June 28<sup>th</sup> perform until 11pm. Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner to approve the request by the Country Club. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Project Updates and Change Orders:**

The City Manager advised that the Scenic Ridge had a ribbon cutting last week.

The Vine Street portion of the street project will be fully open by July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Change order number 2 has been received for the Street Project for various items including hydrant extensions, reinforced concrete on Walnut Street, driveway reconfiguration on Vine and sidewalk elevation changes. Commissioner Baugh moved, seconded by Commissioner Faulkner to approve change order #2 in the amount of \$32,380. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Stacie advised that there was an issue with a retaining wall on Vine Street, the best option is to shift the sidewalk to meet the wall, the cost of this will be \$4,356.45 and will appear again on a future change order but she request approval now not to hold up the project. Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the cost of \$4,356.45 to shift the sidewalk. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

Stacie reported that she had received the annual Utility Consultant agreement for staff drug testing. Commissioner Ditto moved to approve signing the annual contract for drug testing, Commissioner Baughman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**City Manager and Other Reports - City Manager**

The City Manager advised that the pool and recreation department are in full swing for summer and all departments are preparing for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration.

At this time, Commissioner Ditto moved to adjourn into executive session for ten (10) minutes to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, individual proprietorships and possible land acquisition, the regular meeting would reconvene at 6:30 P.M. Commissioner Baughman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye:5, Nay:0.

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The meeting reconvened.

No further business appearing, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Richard Weixelman, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk