

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 2, 2006

7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Ken Stewart, Tony French and Mari Ann Parker (7:54 p.m.). Donna Parish and Mike Batchelder were absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Tim Hersh, Jeff Riley, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

### PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED 2007 BUDGET.

7:55 p.m. Mayor Tyler called the Public Hearing to order with a quorum present.

Mayor Tyler asked for public comment concerning the proposed 2007 budget.

Ken Stewart moved to approve Ordinance #454. An Ordinance attesting to an increase in tax revenues for budget year 2007 for the City of Highland, Kansas. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
By roll call vote: Parker-yes, French-yes, Stewart-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to approve the 2007 budget. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

7:58 p.m. Ken Stewart moved to adjourn the Public Hearing. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

8:01 p.m. Mayor Tyler called the August Regular Council Meeting to order with a quorum present.

Tony French moved to approve the minutes of the last Regular Council Meeting held July 5, 2006. Ken Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Ken Stewart moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held July 13, 2006 to discuss budget publication. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Ken Stewart moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held July 13, 2006 to discuss the Community Center/Fire Station project. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held July 31, 2006 to discuss the 2007 budget. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Ken Stewart moved to approve the bills for the month of July, 2006. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

## PRESENTATIONS

Russ Karn and Tammie Petrik were unable to attend the meeting to discuss the Recreation Commission.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement Committee Chairman Ken Stewart and City Attorney Ted Collins updated the Council on their meetings with the Doniphan County Sheriff and County Attorney concerning the renewal of the contract.

Mari Ann Parker moved to extend the Law Enforcement Contract with the Doniphan County Sheriff with the same terms and conditions from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, subject to review before May 1, 2007. Tony French 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Ken Stewart moved to purchase 2 shirts, 2 pants, and 1 unlock kit for law enforcement personnel and to pay for the supplies out of the Diversion Fund. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee Chairman Tony French updated the Council about information he had looked into for investing city funds. It was agreed that Tony French, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick have a meeting to determine what procedures would be necessary to follow before investing the funds.

## OLD BUSINESS

Ken Stewart spoke of the meeting held with the Rural Fire District #2 concerning the building of a Community Center/Fire Station. He stated that the rural board's main concern was where the building would be located and that they would need to know this before committing. Stewart also stated that he would be attending a meeting with USD #425 officials to discuss the city park lease.

Tony French moved to enter into discussions with the school district about possible location of the Community Center/Fire Station on the west side of the grade school. Ken Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

Tony French moved to approve Ordinance #455. An Ordinance of the City of Highland, Kansas in accordance with Charter Ordinance #2 providing for the assessment of court costs in the Municipal Court of Highland, Kansas. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>. By roll call vote: Parker-yes, French-yes, Stewart-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mari Ann Parker moved to authorize the purchase of a new computer for City Hall and to transfer the old one to the law enforcement office. Ken Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

## CITY OFFICERS REPORT

City Superintendent Jeff Riley reported on the street asphaltting on E. Main (cemetery road) and repairing water lines. He also stated that part-time worker Aaron Leach had completed his probationary period and asked that a raise be considered for him as originally discussed.

Tony French moved to increase Aaron Leach's salary to \$8.00 per hour. Ken Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

8:55 p.m. Ken Stewart moved to adjourn. Mari Ann Parker 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor

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City Clerk