

REGULAR MEETING
May 6, 2014

The Board of City Commissioners of the City of Herington, Kansas met at City Hall at 4:30 p.m. on the above date—the following being present: Commissioner Fred Olsen, Commissioner Beth Wade, Commissioner Chuck Miller, Commissioner-Elect Michelle Stanford, Commissioner-Elect Kitty Walter, City Manager Ron Strickland, City Attorney Brad Jantz, and City Clerk Debra Wendt.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wade, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 15, 2014. Commissioners Olsen, Wade, and Miller voted “Aye,” and the motion passed.

The oath of office was administered to Michelle Stanford and Kitty Walter, Commissioners, by Debra Wendt, City Clerk. The annual re-organization of the Commission was held at this time. A motion was made by Commissioner Walter, seconded by Commissioner Stanford, to elect Beth Wade as the Mayor of the City of Herington. The motion passed 4-1, with Commissioner Miller casting the dissenting vote. A motion was made by Commissioner Walter to elect Michelle Stanford as the Vice-Mayor of the City of Herington. Michelle stated that she is not interested in the position at this time. The motion died due to lack of a second. A motion was made by Commissioner Stanford, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to elect Fred Olsen as the Vice-Mayor of the City of Herington. Motion carried, all voting, “Aye.”

Appropriation Ordinance #P0425-14 was discussed and reviewed. Michelle asked why the total was over \$102,000, which was up from previous months. Ron said that “it all depends on what we use in which fund.”

There were no additional agenda items. A motion was made by Commissioner Olsen, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, all voting, “Aye.”

Tandi Arevalo from Herington Mutual Insurance presented a dividend check for \$16,791.41 from the Kansas Municipal Utilities Safety Group Insurance Program for the policy year of April 2013 to April 2014. It represents our proportionate share of the \$1,842,847.06 group dividend.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olsen, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to re-appoint Janice Lueker to the Planning Commission, term to expire 12-31-16. Motion carried, all voting, “Aye.”

Ron announced that our tent at the Kansas Sampler Festival was awarded the prize for “best tent.” Wendy Jones told about the festival. Ron gave an update on the bridge project, and said we are a little behind schedule. He added that a penalty would be added if the project goes over 90 days.

Kitty told a little bit about herself. Michelle thanked everyone who voted for her and said she looks forward to working with everyone. Beth thanked everyone for electing her as Mayor, and said she looks forward to a successful year. She also mentioned the Leadership Conference that would be held this weekend.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olsen, seconded by Commissioner Stanford, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, all voting, “Aye.”

Also present at the meeting were Rick Freeman, Virginia Neuberger, David Jones, Wendy Jones, Tandi Arevalo, Pat Moyer, Mike Ryan, M. B. Creque, Nikki Edwins, Cynthia Naylor, Tammy Miller, Ed Mueller, J. R. Sparke, and Stephanie Gilbert of the Herington Times.

Debra Wendt

City Clerk