

CITY OF IOLA

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A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Iola was held on February 24, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Park Community Building, 510 Park Avenue, Iola, Kansas.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Wells called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Wells and Council Members Peters, Ballard, Ford, Peterson, Myrick, Slaugh, and French were present. Also present were Administrator Fleming, Assistant Administrator Schinstock, and City Clerk Hutton. Council Member Kinder arrived at the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

**REVIEW & APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Council Member Myrick and seconded by Council Member Peters to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Wells read the following statement:

*Persons who wish to address the City Council regarding items on the agenda may do so as that agenda item is called. Persons who wish to address the City Council regarding items not on the agenda and that are under the jurisdiction of the City Council may do so at this time when called upon by the Mayor. Comments on personnel matters and matters pending in court or with other outside tribunals are not permitted. Speakers are limited to three minutes. Any presentation is for information purposes only. No action will be taken.*

Following Mayor Wells's reading of the aforementioned statement, he asked members of the audience if they wished to address the Council.

No one from the audience had any public comments at this time.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes Approval**
  - **February 10, 2020**
- B. Appropriations Approval**
- C. KMEA Voting Delegates**
- D. Allen County Relay for Life - Request**
- E. Boy Scout Pack 3055 - Request**
- F. Allen County Farmers Market - Request**

Motion made by Council Member Ballard to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Myrick. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **ROUNDTABLE**

**A. Police Department Forfeiture Report** - Chief Warner presented the annual forfeiture report to the Council. Chief Warner noted that the beginning balance of the fund was \$3,753.86, With the sale of 11 vehicles and cash received the ending balance of the fund is \$11,683.86.

When asked by Council Member Myrick what these funds could be used for, Chief Warner stated that it must be used for Law Enforcement purposes only. Chief Warner stated that it could be used for a K-9 Unit if the budget could support the long-term care and training of the animal.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Turbidimeter Purchase** - Administrator Fleming informed the Council that the current Turbidimeters have been in service since August of 2005. The Turbidimeters are starting to fail.

Hach is the company that manufactures the current Turbidimeters. They have notified the City that these units are no longer made and the parts are limited.

Toby Ross, Water Plant Superintendent, stated that after contacting KDHE only Hach and Swan are the two companies used for Turbidimeter.

Mr. Ross noted that he had budgeted in the 2020 Budget for replacement of the Turbidimeter. Units.

Motion made by Council Member Ford and seconded by Council Member Peters approved the purchase of six (6) Swan Turbiwells from Power Specialties for \$23,700 and authorize the necessary signatures. All in favor. Motion carried.

**B. Water Rate Adjustment - Ordinance 3490** - Administrator Fleming noted that the Ordinance presented increases both the meter charge and the per-unit charge.

Council Member Myrick asked about the meter charge? Staff stated that the meter charge would appear on the bill every month and then units charged additionally.

Council Member Peterson asked about the Water District North of Haldex and how this would affect them.

Administrator Fleming noted that they have one meter that the City reads so they receive a one-meter charge and then each until is billed.

Motion made by Council Member Slaugh and seconded by Council Member Peterson to approve Ordinance #3490 - Water Rate Adjustment and authorize the necessary signatures. Voting in favor of the motion was Council Members Slaugh, Peterson, Ford, Myrick and French. Voting against the motion were Council Members Ballard and Peters. Council Member Kinder had not arrived at the meeting at this point. Motion passed by majority vote.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. Contract Negotiations-** Motion made by Council Member Myrick and seconded by Council Member Ballard to recess into Executive Session for twenty minutes pursuant to contract negotiations, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (3). The purpose of the executive session is to prepare for future contractual discussions and shall include the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, Assistant City Administrator, and Human Resources Manager. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 6:40 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

**B. Non-Elected Personnel -** Motion made by Council Member Myrick and seconded by Council Member Peterson to recess into Executive Session for twenty minutes pursuant to personnel matters of non-elected personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1). The purpose of the executive session is to discuss an individual employee's employment and shall include the Mayor, Council, City Administrator, and Human Resources Manager. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the city council chamber at 7:02 p.m.

## **COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

### **A. Council Member Peters -**

- None

### **B. Council Member Ford-**

- None

### **C. Council Member French -**

- None

### **D. Council Member Peterson-**

- None

**E. Council Member Ballard**

- None

**F. Council Member Slauch–**

- None

**G. Council Member Myrick–**

- None

**H. Council Member Kinder -**

- Apologized for being late to the meeting.

**I. Mayor Wells**

- Stated that after speaking to SGR search company and they think they could do two of the visits via Skype to save the city some money. He will ask Carla Brown, Human Resources Director, to email out the process for the search.

**J. Administrator Fleming–**

- Noted that the Strategic Planning Meeting will be held on March 2nd at the college. The meal portion will begin at 5:30 p.m.

**DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2020. (Strategic Planning)

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 9, 2020

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2020

**7:06 pm.** Motion made by Council Member Myrick and seconded by Council Member Ford to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approved by the City Council of the City of Iola, Kansas this 9th day of March 2020.



  
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Mayor, Wells

  
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City Clerk, Roxanne Hutton