

A special called meeting of the City Council of the City of Iola was scheduled on March 15, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., at the Allen Community College, 1801 N Cottonwood, Iola, Kansas.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Wells called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. when a quorum was present.

Mayor Wells, Council Members Ford, Ballard, Franklin, Peters, and Middleton, were present. Also present were, Administrator Fleming, and City Clerk Hutton. Absent was Council Members Myrick, Martin and Shaughnessy. Also in attendance in the audience was Bill Maness.

The Purpose the the meeting was to hold a Strategic Planning Session.

GUIDELINES FOR DISCUSSION

Administrator Fleming reviewed the guidelines for discussion with the group.

2017 STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

Administrator Fleming reviewed the three main discussion points of the 2017 Strategic Planning Meeting.

Council Member Ford noted that it would be nice to pull out the Strategic Planning Process and review it regularly throughout the year. This would help determine what have we done to meet these goals.

Administrator Fleming stated that quarterly would be a good time to review with the Council.

Council Member Peters asked what the time frame is to accomplish the things that are discussed tonight.

Administrator Fleming stated that the goal is to see the big picture for the City. Over the next twelve months some of the goals can be met.

VISION AND MISSION

Everyone agreed would like to see a vision and mission statement on the website and documents. Staff will work on developing a vision and mission statement and then bring to Council for review and approval.

COMMUNITY FACING PRIORITY

Discussion on Community Facing topics included:

- Community Engagement

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- Staff has been working with the local schools on integrating Public Works job opportunities in the classroom and have scheduled tours of the Power Plant and Water Plant.
- Mayor Wells noted that the High School is trying to look at what jobs are available in Government, how to get the students interested in those jobs, and how to get them working with local Government as part of the curriculum.
- Staff and Council will work on educating the community on the use of the Sales Tax Funds to prepare for the election.
- Discussion centered around performing annual rental inspections.
- Council Member Middleton stated that he has heard from individuals that several houses in town need to come down. They are in terrible shape.
- Recycling is a high priority for the younger generation.
- Marketing of the downtown square.
- Digital kiosk.
- Develop a Park Master Plan
- Bathrooms that are on trailers to move where the public is.
- Discussion of the EMS Contract with the County that renews in 2020. Conversations need to start concerning facilities, costs, etc.

ORGANIZATION FACING PRIORITY

Organizational Facing discussion topics included:

- Is the lodging tax the way to go to support the Recreation funding needs.
- Moving to GAAP accounting for the utility funds.
- Work Order/ Asset Management System
- GIS improvements
- Safety Policy
- Wellness Policy
- Master Planning.

DATE / TIME OF NEXT MEETING

City Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2018

ADJOURNMENT

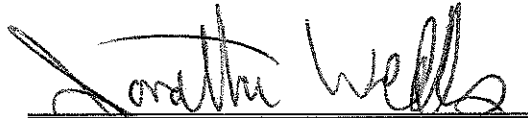
8:57 p.m. Motion made by Council Member Franklin and seconded by Council Member Ford to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Approved by the City Council of the City of Iola, Kansas this 26th day of
March, 2018.



Mayor Jonathan Wells



City Clerk Roxanne Hutton