

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Room at City Hall conducting the meeting by live streaming with Zoom on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 with Mayor Johnson presiding and Commissioners Moffatt and Nichol present.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Business Item 4G: Consider Incubator Lease with Acorn Valley Custom Cabinetry. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Commission and Administrator Reports were heard.

Community Development reports were not heard as Director Jeri Hammerschmidt was not present due to being under the weather.

Public Comments were invited and heard.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of the minutes from the February 9, 2022 Commission Meeting; Appropriation (2022) 03: and the addition of Gas Line Project Appropriation 36. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding a pre-application with USDA-RD that has been file by the City for financial assistance to purchase police vehicles. USDA-RD required the City to conduct a public hearing in support of the grant application.

This being the time and date published in the official newspaper for the USDA-RD Grant for Police Vehicles Hearing, the public hearing was opened. Public comments were invited, none were given. Discussion held. No action taken. The hearing was then closed.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the consideration of deeding property to the City of Neodesha. This property is an open lot located south of the new Police Department Building.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to convene as the Neodesha Land Bank to discuss deeding property to the City of Neodesha. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve deeding the property located at 4th and Wisconsin to the City of Neodesha. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to adjourn as the Neodesha Land Bank and reconvene as the City of Neodesha Governing Body. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the approval of the Annual Access Agreement from BP for monitoring well sampling activity. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the 2022 Access Agreement with BP for monitoring well sampling, and authorize the City Administrator to sign the agreement. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the purchase of an F350 Truck for the Public Works Department. Discussion held.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to table this item until the 2023 Budget Planning Season. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the purchase of mowing equipment for the Public Works Department. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the purchase of mowing equipment from Fredonia Outdoor Equipment LLC, at a cost not to exceed \$15,200. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the purchase of a Rotary Cutter for the Electric Department. Discussion held.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to approve the purchase of a rotary cutter from Prairie Land Partners LLC, at a cost not to exceed \$18,000. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

Administrator Truelove addressed the Commission regarding the approval of an incubator lease with Acorn Valley Custom Cabinetry for the building located at 117 S 4th Street. Discussion held.

Commissioner Nichol moved to approve the lease agreement with Acorn Valley Custom Cabinetry as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Moffatt. Motion carried.

Commissioner Moffatt moved to recess to an Executive Session including the Governing Body, City Administrator, and the City Clerk in the Commission Room to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception KSA 75-4319(b)(1) because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed. The open meeting will resume in the Commission Room at 3:10 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried. The live streamed Zoom meeting was then placed on hold with audio, video and recording ceased.

At 3:10 p.m. the regular meeting of the Governing Body reconvened in the Commission Room at City Hall. The live streamed Zoom meeting then resumed with audio, video and recording. No action taken.

Commissioner Nichol moved to extend the Executive Session including the Governing Body, City Administrator, and the City Clerk in the Commission Room to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception

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At 3:25 p.m. the regular meeting of the Governing Body reconvened in the Commission Room at City Hall. The live streamed Zoom meeting then resumed with audio, video and recording. No action taken.

The next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held at City Hall on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

At 3:28 p.m. Commissioner Moffatt moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Nichol. Motion carried.

/s/ Devin Johnson

Devin Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Stephanie Fyfe

Stephanie Fyfe, City Clerk