

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS
November 13th, 2012

A Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 13th, 2012, in the City Commission Room, located in the Law Enforcement Center, 201 North Pine, with Mayor John Ketterman presiding and the following members present: Marty Beezley, Rudy Draper, Michael Gray and Patrick O'Bryan.

Aric Bokker of Via Christi provided the invocation.

Mayor Ketterman led the flag salute.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 23rd, 2012 – On motion of Beezley, seconded by Draper, the Governing Body approved the October 23rd, 2012, City Commission Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

DISPOSITION OF BIDS – WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ROOF REPAIRS – On motion of Beezley, seconded by Draper, the Governing Body approved staff recommendation to award the bid for roof repairs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant as follows: reject Base Bid in lieu of Alternates 1 thru 4; award combined Alternates 1 thru 5 for a total amount of \$61,450.00 to Guarantee Roofing, Inc., of Joplin, Missouri; award Alternate 6 in the amount of \$8,500.00 to Cardinal Roofing, of Springfield, Missouri, and reject Alternate 7 in lieu of acceptance of Alternate 6, for a total project cost of \$69,950.00, and authorized the Mayor to sign the contract documents once prepared. Motion carried.

LAND PURCHASE CONTRACT – MIKE HECKERT – On motion of Beezley, seconded by Draper, the Governing Body approved the Land Purchase Contract between The City of Pittsburg and Mike Heckert, in which Mr. Heckert will purchase 8.8 acres of City-owned property located at 2500 North Rouse for an amount of \$20,000 and authorized the Mayor to sign the appropriate documents. Motion carried.

ALLIANCE FOR TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALIZATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT – On motion of Beezley, seconded by Draper, the Governing Body appointed Jay Byers, Director of Innovation for The City of Pittsburg, to a first term as a member of the Alliance for Technology Commercialization Board of Directors effective immediately and to expire in April of 2015. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – On motion of Beezley, seconded by Draper, the Governing Body approved the Appropriation Ordinance for the period ending November 13th, 2012, subject to the release of HUD expenditures when funds are received, with the following roll call vote: Yea: Beezley, Draper, Gray, Ketterman, and O'Bryan. Motion carried.

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SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 – KLINK RESURFACING PROJECT – Consideration of Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Agreement No. 223-10 dated January 20, 2012, between the City of Pittsburg and the Kansas Department of Transportation to cancel KLINK Resurfacing Project No. 69B-19 U-0116-01 and combine the work and funding into KLINK Resurfacing Project No. 69B-19 U-0029-01, such that the resurfacing now is for US-69B, Madison to 2nd Street was tabled until a future meeting.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL AND WELLNESS PROGRAM UPDATE AND WINS UPDATE – Following a presentation by Director of Human Resources Megan Fry regarding the 2013 health insurance renewal contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas and the City's wellness program, on motion of Gray, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved the 2013 health insurance renewal contract with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas with an 8% increase over the 2012 contract. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – Following Public Hearing, on motion of O'Bryan, seconded by Gray, the Governing Body approved Resolution No. 1130 to consider establishing an organized residential solid waste collection service within the boundaries of the City of Pittsburg, Kansas, and authorized the Mayor to sign the Resolution on behalf of the City. Motion carried with Commissioners Draper and Ketterman voting in opposition.

City Manager Daron Hall outlined the goals of the Resolution of Intent as follows:

- A) Assist with ongoing efforts and programs to beautify the city and clean up its residential neighborhoods;
- B) Eliminate the dumping of residential solid waste in vacant lots and commercial, industrial and municipal dumpsters;
- C) Eliminate the dumping of residential solid waste into the city sanitary sewer system;
- D) Ensure that every residence has solid waste collection service on a regular periodic basis;
- E) Prohibit solid waste collection in city alley ways;
- F) Establish mandatory bulk item collection on a regular periodic basis;
- G) Reduce wear and tear on city streets caused by multiple solid waste collection vehicles operating on the same streets on multiple days of the week;

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- H) Establish a uniform residential solid waste collection billing system for city residents;
- I) Establish a uniform solid waste disposal fee for solid waste collection from city residences;
- J) Provide a sufficient interim time period between development of a residential solid waste collection plan and commencement of such plan to permit the city licensed solid waste collection operators to adapt to organized residential solid waste collection in the city;
- K) Determine the cost to the city of establishing a uniform billing system for residential solid waste collection and disposal and determine the justification for franchise fee, if any, to be collected by the city;
- L) Determine whether residential solid waste collection should include curb side recycling; and
- M) Determine whether containers for residential solid waste should be uniform.

Mr. Hall listed the members of the Solid Waste Task Force. He explained that the task force will have their first meeting on November 28th from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Court Room of the Law Enforcement Center. All task force meetings will be open to the public, will be televised and will be re-played on Channel 6.

City Attorney Henry Menghini explained that in order for the City to take action on any suggestions that come from the Solid Waste Task Force, a Resolution of Intent must first be adopted. He stated that the passage of the Resolution of Intent starts a ninety day period in which the City can hear and vote on a solid waste plan.

Charlie and Carol Maransani, owners of Short's Trash Service, spoke in opposition to trash service being bid out and in opposition to the city being divided into quadrants for trash service. Ms. Maransani requested her husband be included as a representative on the task force.

Ilene Bolan, 716 East 10th Street, inquired as to why people are not arrested for illegal dumping. City Manager Hall encouraged Ms. Bolan to continue calling the police department when she witnesses illegal dumping.

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Marian Miller, representing Lloyd's Trash Service, 2905 North Old Rouse Street, provided Commissioners with a list of over 700 customers who would like to retain Lloyd's Trash Service as their provider. Ms. Miller requested a list of addresses that constitute the 30% of properties that do not have trash service.

Bob Torbett, 112 East 20th Street, stated that he is opposed to changing the way in which trash service is operated in the City. He indicated that he is concerned that the fee for trash service will increase over what citizens are currently paying.

Daryl Gaddy, #3 Twin Lakes Court, requested that local haulers be "grandfathered" in and not put out of business.

Ralph McGeorge, 2301 North Rouse, stated that the City does not have a trash problem, but rather a codes enforcement problem. He suggested the commission direct that only that single axle trucks be used for trash collection, which would cause less damage to City streets. He recommended that each small hauler have a representative on the Solid Waste Task Force.

Gloria Baldwin, 1402 East 14th Street, stated that she believes littering is a major problem in Pittsburg. She cited the example of people putting loose debris in the back of their pickup trucks, which blows out when they are driving. She indicated that large trash haulers don't have the customer service skills that the smaller, local haulers have. She stated that she supports recycling.

Bill Duffy, 1123 South 220th Street, stated that he did not agree with citizens placing trash in the water supply. He suggested the holes in the water system be repaired. He questioned how many people in town are dissatisfied with their trash service. Mr. Duffy indicated that he does not wish to have his water bill tied to a trash service that he does not select.

Chris Norris, 757 South 196th Street, representing Norris Trash Service, stated that he does not see a lot of trash in yards. He does see large, discarded items that need to be hauled away. Mr. Norris suggested the city send letters to property owners directing them to clean up debris in their yards. If property owners don't respond, he suggested the City clean the property and charge the owner. He suggested the City encourage alley pick-up of solid waste, as alleys may be cheaper to maintain than streets.

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Gayla Slemple, 302 North Linn Street, Frontenac, stated that she was not happy with a large, out-of-town hauler and changed to a local hauler, one that she is happy with. She agreed that the City needs to be cleaned up; she just suggested it be done in a different manner. She also spoke in opposition to littering.

Jim Herbert, 1708 West Quincy, stated that he supports the local solid waste haulers. Mr. Herbert said that he does not believe littering is a major problem in Pittsburg.

Blake Benson, 117 West 4th Street, on behalf of the Pittsburg Area Chamber of Commerce, applauded the City for slowing the process down to 90 days and taking time to review the trash service in Pittsburg. He reiterated that the Committee meetings will be held in public settings and will be televised. Mr. Benson encouraged citizens to contact him with questions and concerns they may have regarding the process.

John Sheward, 206 West Euclid, stated that he does not see that there is a problem with the trash service in Pittsburg.

Kelly Downy, 207 West Euclid, suggested the four local haulers take over the city trash service for the City and eliminate the large haulers.

It was determined that all local haulers would be included as members of the Solid Waste Task Force.

Joyce David, 414 West 7th Street, stated that she supports her local hauler and appreciates the customer service they provide.

Lois Lawrence, 101 East Creager Street, Frontenac, said that she does not believe that Pittsburg has a trash issue when compared to cities in California. Ms. Lawrence said that the citizens of Pittsburg should have a say in the solid waste issue.

An unidentified female stated that she concerned that her husband, who is employed by a local hauler, will lose his job, if the large, out of town haulers take over solid waste service in Pittsburg.

Chris Kelly, 1002 Kelly Drive, representing Pittsburg State University, echoed the support for local businesses and supports the slowing of the process in which the solid waste issue will be considered.

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Jeanne Gaddy, 310 West Atkinson, asked who she will call when her trash is not picked up as scheduled. She stated that she hopes the Commission makes their decision based on what the citizens want, not necessarily what the Committee recommends.

Paula Elsasser, 408 West 4th Street, spoke in favor of trash being removed from receptacles placed in alleys. She prefers small haulers who work with customers on payment plans.

Candice Gibson, 209 West 10th Street, inquired what impact the proposed trash service will have on the local recycling center. She asked what will happen to citizens who share trash service with their neighbors or relatives.

Mayor Ketterman reiterated that there is no intent to hurt the local haulers. He aged participation in the Solid Waste Task Force meetings.

Commissioner Draper stated that he is not in agreement with the Resolution as he can not guarantee the citizens that the trash service will not be put out to bid in the future.

Commissioner Beezley inquired if preliminary discussion needs to be held before the Committee begins working on the issues.

Commissioner O'Bryan stated that taking the next step is only a step, and a talking point. He suggested the process continue as proposed.

Commissioner Beezley said she does not want people to worry about the outcome and be nervous about losing their jobs.

Commissioner Gray stated that he supports local business. He indicated that the task force will allow the City to evaluate the trash service and enforcement - and determine how to work together to solve the problems. He stated that it is not a bad thing to raise the bar, that there are places where the City can improve, as well.

Mayor Ketterman reaffirmed that there will be no bidding for trash service. He stated that the process outlined in the Resolution of Intent could be beneficial, especially with all small local haulers represented on the task force.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - On motion of Draper, seconded by Beezley, the Governing Body recessed into Executive Session not to exceed 45 minutes for discussion regarding personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Motion carried.

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The Governing Body recessed into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

The Governing Body reconvened into Regular Session at 8:19 p.m.

Mayor Ketterman announced that no decisions were made and no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of O'Bryan, seconded by Draper, the Governing Body adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.



John Ketterman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tammy Nagel, City Clerk

