

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS
September 24th, 2013

A Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, September 24th, 2013, in the City Commission Room, located in the Law Enforcement Center, 201 North Pine, with Mayor Michael Gray presiding and the following members present: John Ketterman, Chuck Munsell, Monica Murnan and Patrick O'Bryan.

Jay Gilchrist of Via Christi provided the invocation.

Mayor Gray led the flag salute.

PUBLIC INPUT -

Doug Barbar, 707 North Broadway, suggested that small and medium sized businesses be allowed to expand by closing alleyways. Mr. Barbar also recommended that Ramsay Street near Braums be closed as it is not used.

City Manager Daron Hall acknowledged the upcoming retirement of Community Development Specialist Deena Hallacy and Firefighter Ken Thornton.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 10th, 2013 - On motion of Murnan, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved the September 10th, 2013, City Commission Meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. G-1184 – On motion of Murnan, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved Ordinance No. G-1184, amending Section 78-116 of the Pittsburg City Code to prohibit parking on both sides of East Quincy Avenue between Broadway and Rouse Street, and on both sides of West 10th Street between Walnut Street and Catalpa Street on first reading. Motion carried.

ALLEY VACATION – On motion of Murnan, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved an Order vacating the alley located in the 700 Block of West 4th Street, as requested by James Huebner, described as beginning at the Southwest Corner of Lot 19, thence North 15 feet, thence East 37 feet, thence South 14.25 feet, thence West 37 feet, to the point of beginning in Joplin Addition to Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas. Motion carried.

RIGHT-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT – ONEOK, INC. DBA KANSAS GAS SERVICE – On motion of Murnan, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved the request of ONEOK, Inc., an Oklahoma corporation d/b/a Kansas Gas Service, a public utility, for the City of Pittsburg to grant the right-of-way and easement to install, operate and maintain a natural gas pipeline within an existing 16 feet wide sanitary sewer easement located on Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Meadowbrook Mall Addition to the City of Pittsburg, Crawford County, Kansas, and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Grantee's Consent to Natural Gas Pipeline form with accompanying acknowledgement and map highlighting the proposed easement area. Motion carried.

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HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM GRANTS – On motion of Murnan, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved the recommendation of the Citizen's Advisory Board to award HOME Rehabilitation Program grants to Marjorie and Arthur Fields in the amount of \$15,700 for their property located at 205 East 14th Street, John Cussimano in the amount of \$19,400 for his property located at 106 North College, and Frank Bettega and Robert Bettega in the amount of \$19,700 for their property located at 912 North Pine and authorized the Mayor to sign the appropriate documents on behalf of the City. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – On motion of Murnan, seconded by O'Bryan, the Governing Body approved the Appropriation Ordinance for the period ending September 24th, 2013, subject to the release of HUD expenditures when funds are received, with the following roll call vote: Yea: Gray, Ketterman, Munsell, Murnan and O'Bryan. Motion carried.

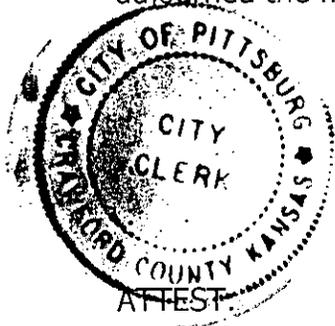
SPECIAL PRESENTATION - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE - Director of Economic Development Blake Benson provided an update on Economic Development in Pittsburg.

ORDINANCE NO. S-1009 – On motion of O'Bryan, seconded by Murnan, the Governing Body approved Ordinance No. S-1009, levying an additional City Retailers Sales Tax in the amount of one-half of one percent (0.5%) within the City of Pittsburg, effective January 1, 2014 on first and only reading. Motion carried.

NON-AGENDA REPORTS & REQUESTS –

STREET PROJECT UPDATE - Director of Public Works William Beasley provided an update on current street projects including street rejuvenating projects, milling projects and the application of final lifts. Mr. Beasley noted that South Broadway will be closed October 18th through 20th to allow repairs to be made to the railroad crossing at Carlton Street.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of O'Bryan, seconded by Munsell, the Governing Body adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.





Michael E. Gray, Mayor



Tammy Nagel, City Clerk