

# **THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

City of Garden City

September 15, 2020

## **Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Garden City was held at 1:00 PM at the City Administrative Center Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

All members were present. Mayor Unruh opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Invocation.

## **Approval of Minutes**

The September 1, 2020 Commission Meeting minutes were approved as presented with corrections.

## **Public Comment**

## **Consideration of Petitions, Memorials and Remonstrances**

The Governing Body considered and approved a request from Vickie Harshbarger on behalf of Mosaic to allow the Mayor to proclaim the week of September 13, 2020 as Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved a request from Shannon Ulrich to allow the Mayor to proclaim October 2020 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month.

Commissioner Oyler moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved allowing the Mayor to proclaim September 15, 2020 as Andy Liebelt Day in Garden City, Kansas.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved allowing the Mayor to proclaim September 18,

2020 as Cynthia Beesley Day in Garden City, Kansas.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

### **Report of the City Manager**

The City of Garden City and the Garden City Police Department recognized Officer Isaac Gonzalez and Officer Jose Hernandez as being recipients of the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police Silver Award for Life Saving.

Presentation of the August 2020 report from the Garden City Regional Airport.

Presentation of the August activity report from the Garden City Fire Department.

Presentation of the GCPD Organizational Study Action Plan.

Presentation of the Monthly Financial Report from Service and Finance.

### **Meetings of Note**

- September 16, 2020 - Garden City Area Chamber of Commerce Breakfast at Clarion Inn Conference Center at 7:10 a.m.
- September 18, 2020 - Dedication of the Tommy Lou Austin Arboretum and Ribbon Cutting at the southwest corner of Fifth Street and Kansas Avenue intersection at 9:00 a.m.
- September 23, 2020 - Finney County Economic Development Corporation Board will be held at 7:30 a.m. at the City Administrative Center
- September 28 - October 8, 2020 - Fall Cleanup
- September 29, 2020 - Town Hall Meeting at the City Administrative Center in the Commission Chambers at 7:00 p.m.
- October 7, 2020 - Black Hills Energy Public Officials Luncheon at Clarion Inn at 12:00 p.m.
- October 13-16, 2020 - League of Kansas Municipalities Annual Conference (virtual)
- October 14, 2020 - Annual State of the City address at the Garden City Area Chamber of Commerce breakfast at the Clarion Inn at 7:10 a.m.
- November 3, 2020 - Election Day
- November 7, 2020 - Banner Art Auction at Clarion Inn at 6:30 p.m.

### **Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance**

Appropriation Ordinance No. 2515-2020A, "an appropriation ordinance making certain appropriations for certain claims in the amount of \$2,245,306.30," was read and considered section by section.

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve. Commissioner Cessna seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

## **Consideration of Ordinances and Resolutions**

The Governing Body considered and approved an ordinance regarding improvements to its public water system and parks, and to acquire public safety and fiber optic communications equipment.

1. Ordinance No.2878-2020, an ordinance of the City of Garden City, Kansas, authorizing the City to make improvements to its public water system and parks, and to acquire public safety and fiber optic communications equipment and authorizing the City to issue general obligation bonds to pay costs of such improvements.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved projects to be authorized in the 2020 General Obligation Bond issue.

1. Resolution No.2859-2020, a resolution of the City of Garden City, Kansas authorizing and providing for the underwriting and offering for sale of the City's (A) general obligation refunding and improvement bonds, Series A, 2020 in the approximate aggregate principle amount of 19,510,000 and (B) taxable general obligation refunding bonds, Series B, 2020 in the approximate aggregate principle amount of \$3,460,000.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved the attached resolution allowing Garden City to participate in the Kansas Moderate Income Housing (MIH) Grant Program for the Columbus Addition project on behalf of American Warrior Construction.

1. Resolution No.2860-2020, a resolution making certain findings and determinations giving authority to the City of Garden City, Kansas to partner with American Warrior Construction, Inc. to apply for and participate in the Kansas Moderate Income Housing Program.

Commissioner Dick moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved an ordinance to annex 7.09 acres of public right-of-way on Jennie Barker Road, north of Schulman Avenue to south of Mary Street (K156).

1. Ordinance No.2879-2020, an ordinance annexing land to the City of Garden City, Finney County, Kansas, pursuant to K.S.A. 12-520(a)(7).

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved an ordinance issuing a ten (10) year telecommunications franchise agreement to IdeaTek Telcom, LLC, from Buhler, Kansas.

1. Ordinance No. 2880-2020, an ordinance granting to IdeaTek Telcom, LLC, its successors and assigns, a contract franchise to construct, operate and maintain a Telecommunications System in the City of Garden City, Kansas; all pursuant to K.S.A 12-2001 ET SEQ.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

### **Old Business**

The Governing Body considered and approved the low qualifying bids for the Campus Drive Road Improvement Project to repair broken concrete panels on Kansas Avenue, Campus Drive intersections at Kansas Avenue and Fulton Street, and an asphalt mill and inlay at various locations on Campus Drive.

Commissioner Ortiz moved to approve. Commissioner Cessna seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved a buy-up to include mill and overlay in the parking lot instead of a seal coat for \$90,122, and 53x36 aluminum framed windows with satin obscure glass for \$6,655 as part of the Garden Rapids project at The Big Pool.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

### **New Business**

The Governing Body considered the findings, facts and conclusions of the City of Garden City and Wheatland Electric Cooperative Inc., and approved the selection of the City of Garden City as the electric service provider for the newly annexed property located at 3455 E. Hwy 50 in

Ordinance No. 2863-2020.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered the findings, facts and conclusions of the City of Garden City and Wheatland Electric Cooperative Inc., and approved the selection of the City of Garden City as the electric service provider for the newly annexed property located at 1601 W. Mary Street in Ordinance No. 2862-2020.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved the awarded funding under the FY2020 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Grant Program in the amount of \$40,660.00.

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Commissioner Cessna moved to approve the Governing Body enter an Executive Session for 30 minutes to end at 3:15 P.M. with City Attorney Grisell, and City Manager Matt Allen present. This Executive Session is pursuant to K.S. A. 75-4319(b)(1) pertaining to personnel matters of non-elected personnel and their contractual obligations because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

At the expiration of the designated time and in open session, Commissioner Cessna moved to approve an extension of the Executive Session for 15 minutes to end at 3:30 P.M. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

At the expiration of the designated time and in open session, Mayor Unruh stated no action was taken.

### ***Consent Agenda***

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as

follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved the bid from Techline Inc. of Austin, Texas for three high voltage substation breakers in the amount of \$115,051.20.

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>EA</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>Tax</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Met Specs</b>
Techline, Inc. (ABB)	\$35,200.00	3	\$105,600.00	\$9,451.20	\$115,051.20	Yes
Techline, Inc. (Siem)	\$35,315.00	3	\$105,945.00	\$9,482.08	\$115,427.08	Yes
Anixter	\$34,590.00	3	\$108,300.00	\$9,692.85	\$117,992.85	Yes
Stanion	\$36,550.00	3	\$109,650.00	\$9,813.68	\$119,463.68	Yes
Border States	\$74,102.56	3	\$222,307.68	N/A	N/A	No

The Governing Body considered and approved the Second Amendment to Agreement for Custodial Services between the City of Garden City and Jorge Romero, d/b/a/ Jet Air Cleaners for services at the Garden City Regional Airport.

### **Other Entities**

Presentation of the July 9, 2020 minutes from the Garden City Regional Airport Advisory Board.

Presentation of the Public Utilities Advisory Board Minutes for the June 30, 2020 meeting.

Mayor Unruh adjourned the meeting since there was no further business before the Governing Body.

---

Troy Unruh, Mayor

ATTEST:

---

Celyn N. Hurtado, City Clerk

### **City Commission Reports**

A. Mayor Unruh stated the Zoo additions are incredible and congratulated Jakob Stegman and the Zoo's grounds crew for the wonderful landscaping work. Mayor Unruh stated that he was able to attend the Community Mexican Fiesta Pageant and said that the contestants are just so much fun and take so much pride in the work they do. Mayor Unruh stated the Southwest Kansas Coalition meeting in Dodge City, with Garden City Commissioners and City Commissioners from Liberal and Dodge City was great discussion time. Mayor Unruh stated that it is great that the Southwest

Kansas communities can do work together. Mayor Unruh thanked Finance Director Hitz on the GO Bond refinancing. He said that the dedication of the staff to look for these types of opportunities is great. Mayor Unruh thanked Interim Public Works Director Andy Liebelt and Fire Administrative Assistant Cynthia Beesley for their years of service. Mayor Unruh thanked Police officers Isaac Gonzalez and Jose Hernandez along with all first responders who save lives.

B. Commissioner Cessna stated it was a great ribbon cutting event at Lee Richardson Zoo and tour of the new facilities. Commissioner Cessna congratulated Police officers Isaac Gonzalez and Jose Hernandez on their awards and thanked all officers for their service. Commissioner Cessna congratulated Cynthia Beasley on her retirement and congratulated Andy Liebelt on his new position in Wichita. Commissioner Cessna reminded everyone to fill out their Census as data collection ends this month.

C. Commissioner Ortiz echoed the thoughts of Commissioner Cessna in congratulating Police officers Isaac Gonzalez and Jose Hernandez on receiving their award and to Cynthia Beasley and Andy Liebelt. Commissioner Ortiz stated that the Census is very important and encourage everyone to fill it out before the deadline at the end of this month. Commissioner Ortiz reiterated that because the Census is coming to the end, everybody needs to make sure that they've been accounted for – and that their friends have been accounted for. Commissioner Ortiz shared that he received an email that said, “Every person is about \$13,500 in resources that come back to your community.” Commissioner Ortiz continued this point, stating that over the next 10 years or so if 1000 people don't get accounted for in Garden City, community will miss out on \$13.5 million. Commissioner Ortiz stated that the Slipstream slide presentation was awesome. Commissioner Ortiz reiterated that the Slipstream company is from Paola, Kansas and that since the slide company is a Kansas group, he fully supports them. Commissioner Ortiz reminded everyone that Fall Cleanup is approaching and will begin on September 28, 2020, so if you have anything that you want to toss, put it on the curb and then the City will take care of it. Commissioner Ortiz asked everyone to participate in Fall Cleanup to keep the City looking great.

D. Commissioner Oyler stated that today was a great day to be a part of Garden City. Commissioner Oyler said that it was exciting to see all the Zoo projects especially since the projects were sales tax initiatives and therefore projects for the City, by the City. Commissioner Oyler stated that our Zoo was already amazing, but what we saw today was fantastic and the carousel was a lot of fun. Commissioner Oyler stated that she was touched to see the care that the groundskeepers have put into the project, along with the zookeepers, the Zoo staff, and everybody involved with that project. Commissioner Oyler stated that she heard the Census response rates were at 54%, and she believes the community can do a better job at filling out the Census.

E. Commissioner Dick stated that he was happy to see the amazing additions to Lee Richardson Zoo. Commissioner Dick stated that Garden Rapids at the Big Pool is coming along well. Commissioner Dick stated that the new aquatics facility is needed and that it will be a great corridor for families, and it will be a good draw from everywhere from western Kansas. Commissioner Dick congratulated Andy Liebelt and Cynthia Beasley for the work that they've done and hopefully they will either work hard in their new job or enjoy retirement. Commissioner Dick stated that citizens need to fill out the Census as it is vitally important for our community.