

January 6, 2014

The Board of Aldermen, City of Kearney, Missouri, met in regular session at Kearney City Hall, 100 East Washington, January 6, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. with Mayor Dane presiding. Members present were Jeff Couchman, Dan Holt, Gerri Spencer and Tom Patterson. Staff members present were Jim Eldridge and Shirley Zimmerman.

Mayor Dane opened the meeting with the Pledge of the Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were submitted for the Board of Aldermen to approve:

- Minutes for the December 16, 2013 meeting
- Bills presented for payment
- **Resolution No. 01-2014** authorizing insurance renewal with Cretcher Heartland and increasing Budget by \$26,821
- **Resolution No. 02-2014** authorizing Jay Bettis to attend the Doniphan School of Leadership, \$1,900
- **Resolution No. 03-2014** authorizing Cochran Head Vick Engagement Letter for \$15,600 for FY2013 audit

A motion was made by Alderman Spencer and seconded by Alderman Holt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

PRESENTATION OF FY2013 AUDIT Bruce Culley said he has been the City auditor for twenty years but he has chosen to merge his practice with Cochran, Head, Vick, CPA. He said the City had started out doing accounting as a cash basis and then we went to modified cash basis. He said we are now moving to accrual method of accounting.

Mayor Dane said we will have Mike Keenan present the audit and then everyone can take it home and study it. He said if you have any questions call City Staff. The Board of Aldermen will approve it at the next meeting.

Mike Keenan, Cochran, Head, Vick said with the change in type of accounting City Staff will be gathering a list of infrastructure that has been donated by the developers. He said City Staff was very qualified and helpful in them reviewing the audit.

Mr. Keenan said the change in type of accounting will put the City of Kearney audit as apples to apples when comparing with other cities of same size. He said this type of accounting is also helpful when buying bonds, etc.

Mr. Keenan presented copies of the audit to the Board of Aldermen and will be present at the next meeting to answer questions.

NEXT MEETING Staff said the next meeting would fall on Martin Luther King's birthday. After some discussion it was decided to meet January 22, 2014.

ENHANCED ENTERPRISE SUBMITTAL TO COUNTY ASSESSOR Staff presented the notification to the County Assessor that LPG Ventures will commence a 10 year 50% tax abatement relative to the Kearney Enhanced Enterprise Zone.

Staff said LPG Ventures is the first business to take advantage of the benefits of the Enhanced Enterprise Zone. In addition to making a substantial investment in property and capital assets, LPG partnered with the City in extending a low pressure sewer line which has recently benefited the Church of Annunciation, who has now connected to sewers.

PUBLIC REQUESTS & PETITIONS

JENNY HAYES, MAIN STREET PROGRAM A Resolution authorizing partnership **RESOLUTION NO. 04-2014** with Kearney Enrichment Council to sponsor Missouri Mainstreet 4-Step approach to downtown revitalization was presented and read by Title only.

Staff said the Kearney Enrichment Council has raised \$4,800, half the cost of the Missouri Main Street Downtown Revitalization program. They are requesting the City of Kearney to contribute the remaining half, \$4,800.

The Missouri Main Street Program, which is a grant program that will provide \$24,000 in services (60%) and 40 percent is contributed by the participating City. Kearney Enrichment Council was challenged to raise half the amount and then come back to the Board of Aldermen for the remaining part.

Funding for the City's share can be budgeted from the Downtown Development Fund.

Jenny Hayes, Kearney Enrichment Council, said you have four committees for this project. They are Promotion, Economic Restructure, Design and Organization.

Alderman Couchman asked what this money is spent on. Ms. Hayes said with this money they will hold our hand thru the process. They will help get the project up and going and we will have access thru their network of resources.

Alderman Patterson said in the paperwork it says there must be paid Staff. He said does this mean we will pay you as well as another person. Ms. Hayes said she thought her position would fill that role in the project.

Alderman Holt said he believes this will really benefit Kearney. He said his only concern is if you have a plan with certain type of businesses and a current business doesn't fit into that plan would they be ask to move. Ms. Hayes said that wouldn't happen. She said this

JENNY HAYES, MAIN STREET PROGRAM will cover West on Washington to the **RESOLUTION NO. 04-2014** railroad tracks and along 33 Highway to 92 Highway.

Alderman Spencer said she had attended meetings both in Excelsior Springs and Liberty when they were forming their programs. She said this can be a very good program.

A motion was made by Alderman Spencer and seconded by Alderman Holt to approve the Resolution authorizing partnership with Kearney Enrichment Council to sponsor Missouri Mainstreet 4-Step approach to downtown revitalization. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

CONTRACT WITH COMPUTER RECYCLE USA FOR ELECTRONIC WASTE RESOLUTION NO. 05-2014 A Resolution authorizing the City Administrator to sign a contract with Computer Recycle USA to recycle post consumer electronics and heavy appliances by placing a container at the City's Recycling Drop Site, was presented and read by Title only.

Staff said this is a mutually beneficial "no cash" compensation contract, which the City Attorney has drafted. They are a 501c(3) company and seems a good fit for this type of service.

Alderman Patterson said he had talked to these people at MARC meetings and thought they were a good choice.

Alderman Holt asked if the customer has to drain the Freon, etc. Staff said no that they would take care of that.

Staff said we may have to have someone there to help with heavy appliances or have those be by appointment only. If this doesn't seem to be working, we can terminate the contract with a ten day notice.

A motion was made by Alderman Holt and seconded by Alderman Couchman to approve the Resolution authorizing the City Administrator to sign a contract with Computer Recycle USA to recycle post consumer electronics and heavy appliances by placing a container at the City's Recycling Drop Site. The motion carried unanimously.

ALDERMEN DISCUSSION

ALDERMAN HOLT Alderman Holt said he thought the City had done a good job with snow removal.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business on the agenda, a motion was made by Alderman Couchman and seconded by Alderman Holt to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

The following bills were presented for payment at the January 6, 2014 meeting: