



Abilene City Commission Meeting Minutes
Abilene Public Library – 209 NW Fourth Street
July 13, 2020 @ 4:00 p.m.
Abilene, Kansas

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call – City Commission Present: Mayor Ostermann, Commissioners Rein, Marshall, Shafer and Witt.

Staff Present: City Manager Foltz, City Clerk Soukup, City Attorney Martin, Finance Director Rothchild and Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Roller-Weeks.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda

4. Agenda Approval for the July 13, 2020 City Commission Meeting.

5. Meeting minutes: June 22, 2020 Regular Meeting.

6. Consider request from the 2020 liquor tax funding in the amount of \$2,954.00 for the Cedar House Foundation.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Witt to amend the agenda with the addition of item 7a, Resolution No. 071320-2 regarding COVID-19 Relief Fund. Roll call vote: Ostermann YES, Rein YES, Marshall YES, Shafer YES, Witt YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Rein to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Roll call vote: Rein YES, Marshall YES, Shafer YES, Witt YES, Ostermann YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Public Comments and Communications

7. Persons who wish to address the City Commission may do so when called upon by the Mayor.

There were no public comments or communications.

Old and New Business

7a. Consider Resolution 071320-2, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS.

City Manager Foltz explained by approving this resolution it would allow the city to be reimbursed for expenses related to COVID-19 from SPARKS funding through the Cares Act.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Witt to approve Resolution No. 071320-2, **A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS.** Roll call vote: Shafer YES, Witt YES, Ostermann YES, Rein YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

8. Consider Resolution No. 071320-1 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR TAX FUNDING FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE'S SPECIAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG FUND.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Rein to approve Resolution No. 071320-1 **A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR TAX FUNDING FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE'S SPECIAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG FUND.** Roll call vote: Witt YES, Ostermann YES, Rein YES, Marshall YES, Shafer YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

9. Consider Ordinance No. 20-3388, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS TOWER AT A LOCATION GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 401 N. COTTAGE AVE. AND 507 N. COTTAGE AVE., IN THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS.

David Wells, US Cellular, presented information regarding the request for a conditional use permit for a cellular tower at 505 Cottage Ave.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Witt to adopt Ordinance No. 20-3388, **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS TOWER AT A LOCATION GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 401 N. COTTAGE AVE. AND 507 N. COTTAGE AVE., IN THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS.** Roll call vote: Rein YES, Marshall, Shafer YES, Witt YES, Ostermann YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

10. Publication notice for the 2021 Budget Hearing

City Manager Foltz explained this will approve the publication in the newspaper regarding the 2021 Budget Hearing which is scheduled for July 27, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Finance Director Rothchild explained that once the notice of budget hearing is published in the newspaper, the budget cannot be increased but can be decreased if the need is warranted.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Rein to approve the public notice of the 2021 Budget Hearing. Roll call vote: Marshall YES, Shafer YES, Witt YES, Ostermann YES, Rein YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

11. Executive Session

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Rein to recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes to review and evaluate the City Manager's performance, based upon the need to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The open public meeting will resume in this room at 4:50 p.m. Roll call vote: Shafer YES, Witt YES, Ostermann YES, Rein YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

The regular meeting resumed at 4:50 p.m.

Reports

12. City Manager reports

The latest quarterly report has been completed and will be published in the newspaper in the coming days.

We have had 30 plus applicants for the CDBG-CV Grant. This will help local businesses. Thanks to Julie Roller-Weeks for all her work on this.

Holiday Inn Express in continuing work on their plans on the new hotel, they may have some changes to the plans and will present them to the City Commission at a future meeting.

The Recycling Center is closed due to OCCK staffing issues.

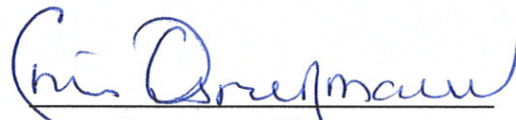
The Dickinson County Health Department announced 24 total positive cases of COVID-19 today. The City continues to follow the County orders. Masks are required to be worn in public.

Adjournment

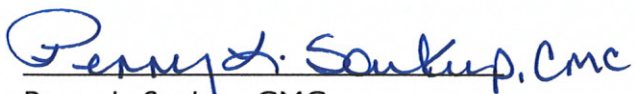
13. Consideration of a motion to adjourn the July 13, 2020 City Commission meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Witt to adjourn at 4:54p.m. Motion carried unanimously 5-0. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Ostermann YES, Rein YES, Marshall YES, Shafer YES.




Chris Ostermann, Mayor

ATTEST:


Penny L. Soukup, CMC
City Clerk