



Abilene City Commission Meeting Minutes
Abilene Public Library – 209 NW Fourth Street
July 11, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.
Abilene, Kansas

1. Call to Order

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

Staff Present: City Manager Marsh, Human Resources Director/City Clerk Mohr, Finance Director Rothchild, City Attorney Martin, Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Roller-Weeks, Parks and Recreation Director Timbrook, Community Development Director Zook, Administrative Assistant Briand, Police Chief Hatter, Public Works Director Schrader, Recreation Supervisor Ediger, Court Clerk/Office Manager Johnson, Horticulturist Maas.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda for the July 11, 2022, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Rein to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Rein YES, Miller YES, Kollhoff YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Consent Agenda

5. Meeting Minutes: June 27, 2022, Regular Meeting

6. Meeting minutes: July 5, 2022, Study Session

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Witt to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Witt YES, Miller YES, Rein YES, Marshall 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.

8. Park and Recreation Professionals Day Proclamation

Mayor Marshall read the proclamation for July 15, 2022, as Park and Recreation Professionals Day and presented it to full and part-time staff of the Abilene Parks and Recreation Department.

Legislative Update

9. Representative John Barker gave a Legislative Update.

Old and New Business

10. Consider approval of the reappointment of Shawn Herman to the Recreation Commission for a four-year term, expiring August 2026.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Kollhoff to approve the reappointment of Shawn Herman to the Recreation Commission for a four-year term, expiring August 2026. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Rein YES, Witt YES, Miller YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

11. Consider acceptance of a donation of land from Linda Bankes and Sally Cullor to be used as the “Ted and Mid Viola Dog Park”.

Motion by Commissioner Rein, seconded by Commissioner Witt to approve the acceptance of the donation of land from Linda Bankes and Sally Cullor to be used as the “Ted and Mid Viola Dog Park”. Roll call vote: Miller YES, Rein YES, Kollhoff YES, Witt YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

12. Consider approval of Ordinance No. 22-3416, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 29-1402 OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF THE HERITAGE COMMISSION.**

Motion by Commissioner Rein, seconded by Commissioner Witt to approve Ordinance No. 22-3416, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 29-1402 OF THE ZONING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF THE HERITAGE COMMISSION.** Roll call vote: Kollhoff NO, Miller NO, Rein YES, Witt YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried 3-2.

13. **2023 Budget Review** – Utility Funds – Water, Sewer, Street and Storm Drain.

14. **Executive Session:** Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Rein to recess into executive session at 5:10 p.m. for thirty minutes to discuss with legal counsel the negotiation of terms and conditions for a potential purchase of real estate, based upon the need for consultation with an attorney for the public body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), to include the City Commission, City Attorney, City Manager and Finance Director. The open public meeting will resume in this room at 5:40 p.m. Roll call vote: Miller YES, Kollhoff YES, Witt YES, Rein YES Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

The open public meeting resumed at 5:40 p.m.

Mayor Marshall made the following statement: After discussions in executive session with legal counsel regarding the negotiation of terms and conditions for a potential purchase of the golf course real estate, a majority of the City Commission has determined that it is not in the City of Abilene's interest to continue negotiation towards a potential purchase. Although no public action is required to implement this approach, I wanted to make this announcement to update the public on the status on the golf course discussions.

Reports

15. City Manager reports

Assistant Police Chief Wilkins is at the FBI Academy attending a 10-week executive leadership training. He will finish September 13th. This is a good training opportunity, and it will position him well for the future.

The final inspection from KDHE for Well #23 was last week. We need to make some adjustments on one reporting number and after that it will be ready to be put in production.

Reminder: The Dickinson County Community Foundation annual meeting is July 28th at Sand Springs Venue. If commissioners are interested in attending, the City will cover the cost of the commissioner's ticket to the event. Let Shayla know before leaving today if you would like to attend. The cost for your spouse is \$25.

The Fire Department received a \$5K matching grant from the Forestry Service. This money will be used towards 800 MHz radios.

The Parks and Recreation Department will host a Fun in the Sun event at the pool this Saturday, July 16th. Pool Admissions will be sponsored by Pinnacle Bank. There will be games throughout the day, in and out of the water.

Adjournment

16. Consideration of a motion to adjourn the July 11, 2022, City Commission meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Rein to adjourn at 5:43 p.m. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Miller YES, Rein Yes, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

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ATTEST:

A blue ink signature of Shayla L. Mohr, written in a cursive style.

Shayla L. Mohr
City Clerk

A blue ink signature of Dee Marshall, written in a cursive style.

Dee Marshall, Mayor