



Abilene City Commission Meeting Minutes
Abilene Public Library – 209 NW Fourth Street
April 8, 2024, @ 4:00 pm.
Abilene, Kansas

1. Call to Order

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

Staff Present: City Manager Marsh, City Clerk Mohr, Finance Director Johnson, City Attorney Martin, Parks and Recreation Director Timbrook, Fire Chief Strunk, Police Chief Hatter, Community Development Director Zook, Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Roller-Weeks, Streets and Utilities Superintendent Hawk, Water Treatment Plant Lead Operator Leusman, City Inspector Steerman, Water Treatment Plant Operator Blacketer and Administrative Assistant Olson.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda

4. Approval of the Agenda for the April 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to approve the agenda as presented.
Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-0.

Consent Agenda

5. Consent Agenda - Consent Agenda items are considered routine business items. The consent agenda can be acted upon by one motion unless a majority of the City Commission votes to remove an item for discussion and separate action.

a. Meeting Minutes for March 25, 2024, Regular Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Witt YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-0.

6. Public Comments and Communications

- a.** Public Forum: Persons who wish to address the City Commission regarding items outside the agenda may do so when called upon by the Mayor. Speakers will be allowed a three-minute time limit.

There were no public comments or communications.

- b.** National Library Week Proclamation

7. Business Items

- a.** Public Hearing relating to the proposed establishment of a Reinvestment Housing Incentive District within the City of Abilene and adopting a plan for the development of housing and public facilities in said District.

Mayor Rein opened the public hearing at 4:13 pm.

Mayor Rein closed the public hearing at 4:14 pm.

- b.** Consider approval of Ordinance No. 24-3447, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS, ESTABLISHING A REINVESTMENT HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY AND ADOPTING A PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING AND PUBLIC FACILITIES IN SUCH DISTRICT, AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH (DOWNTOWN LOFTS REINVESTMENT HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT).

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg to approve Ordinance No. 24-3447, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS, ESTABLISHING A REINVESTMENT HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY AND ADOPTING A PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING AND PUBLIC FACILITIES IN SUCH DISTRICT, AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS IN CONJUNCTION THEREWITH (DOWNTOWN LOFTS REINVESTMENT HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT). Roll call vote: Meysenburg YES, Witt YES, Rein YES, Kollhoff ABSTAINED. The motion carried 4-0.

- c.** Consider approval of Change Order No. 1 with J & K Contracting, LC, in the amount of \$11,586.70 for the Oak, Olive, Kuney Waterline Replacement Project.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg to approve Change Order No. 1 with J & K Contracting, LC, in the amount of \$11,586.70 for the Oak, Olive, Kuney Waterline Replacement Project. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-0.

- d. Consider approval of Resolution No. 040824-1, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS.**

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to approve Resolution No. 040824-1, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Witt YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-0.

8. Items for Discussion

- a. Consider approval of a Vyve Business Services Agreement for internet and information technology services and authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement.**

Staff was directed to work with Vyve regarding the terms of the agreement.

9. Reports

a. City Manager's Report

- Construction updates:
 - 14th St: concrete is poured from Cedar to Buckeye; the drainage structure under 14th has been closed.
 - CCLIP: work continues. City engineers and City staff are monitoring them closely.
 - Oak, Olive & Kuney St Waterline replacement: complete except for punch list items.
- UPRR is planning to remove and replace their crossing on Elm Street. The tentative repair window is 4/29 - 5/3.
- The Abilene Court groundbreaking is tomorrow at 2 pm.
- We will be conducting a salary survey update this summer with Austin Peters Group. They are working with several cities in Kansas and have current data that allows us to get a survey done for half the cost. The update should be done in time for the 2025 budget. (\$10,500/\$22,750).
- The CVB in collaboration with Wichita, Hays and Dodge City launched the Gunsmoke Trail Passport app last Thursday.
- The Eisenhower Marathon is April 27.

- Abilene Fire Department assisted Geary and Riley Counties yesterday with grass fires.

10. Recess of Regular Meeting

- a.** Consider a motion to recess the April 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg to recess the April 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting at 4:35 pm. Roll call vote: Meysenburg YES, Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-0. The City Commission Study Session will begin at 4:40 pm.

11. Call to Order – City Commission Study Session

The City Commission Study Session was called to order at 4:40 pm.

12. April 8, 2024, City Commission Study Session Agenda

- a.** Fluoride Discussion
- b.** Dangerous Structure Discussion– 212 Cottage
- c.** Quality of Life and Recreation Improvements and Programs Sales Tax Discussion

13. Adjournment

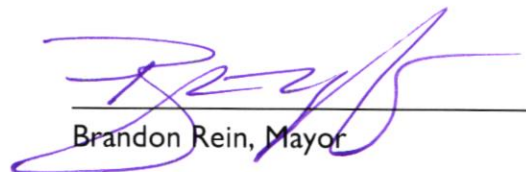
- a.** Consider a motion to adjourn April 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Meysenburg, to adjourn the April 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting at 5:04 pm. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST:



Shayla L. Mohr, CMC
City Clerk



Brandon Rein, Mayor