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

1. **Call to Order**

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

Staff Present: City Manager Marsh, City Clerk Mohr, Finance Director Johnson, City Attorney Martin, Parks and Recreation Director Timbrook, Fire Chief Strunk, Community Development Director Zook, Public Works Director Anderson, Administrative Manager-Public Works Hiatt, Assistant Police Chief Wilkins, Administrative Assistant Olson, and City Engineer Bachamp.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Agenda

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

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

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 June 24, 2024, Regular Meeting

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

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.

Commissioner Kollhoff publicly clarified his support and commitment to the Abilene Oktoberfest.

7. Business Items

   a. Consider approval Resolution No. 070824-3, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS, TO ENSURE APPROPRIATE COMPENSATION FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AS PREPARED BY THE AUSTIN PETERS GROUP, INC.

Motion by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Witt, to approve Resolution No. 070824-3, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION STUDY FOR THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS, TO ENSURE APPROPRIATE COMPENSATION FOR CITY EMPLOYEES AS PREPARED BY THE AUSTIN PETERS GROUP, INC. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Witt YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

   b. Consider approval of Resolution No. 070824-1, A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE FOR PURPOSES OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS 2025 BUDGET, AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO NOTIFY THE COUNTY CLERK OF SUCH INTENT.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to approve Resolution No. 070824-1, A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE FOR PURPOSES OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS 2025 BUDGET AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO NOTIFY THE COUNTY CLERK OF SUCH INTENT at a Mill Levy not to exceed 47.825. Roll call vote: Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Witt YES, Kollhoff NO, Rein YES. The motion carried 4-1.

8. Items for Discussion

   a. Consider approval of Resolution No. 070824-2, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE KANSAS HOUSING RESOURCES CORPORATION (KHRC) FOR THE KANSAS HOUSING INVESTOR TAX CREDIT (HITC) PROGRAM.

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Witt, to approve Resolution No. 070824-2, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE KANSAS HOUSING RESOURCES CORPORATION (KHRC) FOR THE KANSAS HOUSING INVESTOR TAX CREDIT (HITC) PROGRAM. Roll call vote: Miller YES, Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

b. Budget Review-Tax Levied Funds

c. 2nd Quarter Treasurer's Report

9. Reports

a. City Manager's Report

- Construction Updates:
  - 14th St: the first pavement pour is expected around the 9-10 of July.
  - GBH East Sewer Extension: bids are out and due on July 17

- City-wide water watch went into effect on July 5, 2024. In a watch, citizens are asked to voluntarily curtail some outdoor water use and efficient indoor water use. You can access the Water Conservation Plan on the city website to learn more.

- Mark your calendars for August 19-27; the City of Abilene will host an interactive display called "Pathway to Freedom." It's a story of patriots and the Founding Fathers. More information will be coming soon.

- I want to publicly recognize our Parks and Recreation personnel for going above and beyond after last Wednesday's storms: Corey Jones, Cody Jenne, Darren Whiteley, Stocton Timbrook, Cindy Zumbrunn, Sarah Taylor and Kellee Timbrook. These individuals voluntarily came in to work on a holiday to help clean up the park and make it safe for the July 4 activities scheduled for that day. I appreciate their dedication and commitment, and we are very fortunate to have such extraordinary employees.

- That's a perfect segue to the next item: Parks and Recreation Professionals Day is Friday, July 19. We will be celebrating and recognizing our Parks and Recreation employees all week. If you see them while you are out and about, please show them your appreciation for the job they do.

10. Recess of Regular Meeting

a. Consider a motion to recess the July 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Miller to recess the July 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting at 5:05 pm. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0. The City Commission Study Session will begin at 5:10 pm.

11. Call to Order – City Commission Study Session

The City Commission Study Session was called to order at 5:10 pm.

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

a. DKEDC Budget Presentation – Jessica Goodale, DKEDC Executive Director

b. 2025 CCLIP Discussion of Design Concepts

13. Adjournment

a. Consider a motion to adjourn the July 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Kollhoff, to adjourn the July 8, 2024, City Commission Meeting at 5:59 pm. Roll call vote: Kollhoff YES, Meysenburg YES, Miller YES, Witt YES, Rein YES. The motion carried 5-0.

(Seal)

Brandon Rein, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shayla L. Mohr, CMC
City Clerk

ABILENE
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Date: 7/8/24

CITY COMMISSION
MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET
PLEASE *PRINT* YOUR NAME & ADDRESS

1. Brent Dinkel - Twin Valley
2. Rebecca Perkins 501 Hillcrest Drive, Abilene
3. Hank Royer
4. Jessica Goodale DKEDC
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