

GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 1, 2010

7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Members present:

__ Mayor Mike Allison	__ Councilmember Allene Owen
__ Councilmember Trudy Damon	__ Councilmember Ken Roberts
__ Councilmember Mitch Haney	__ Councilmember Dana Dawson
__ Councilmember Joel Jackson	__ Councilmember Randy Myers
__ Councilmember Dale Westhoff	__ Administrator Howard Partington
__ Attorney Robert Suelter	__ Clerk Wayne Henneke

A. OPENING PRAYER

B. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on February 15, 2010.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register #0301-10:** covering 2010 bills to date.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 02-26-2010** covering payroll ending February 26, 2010 in the amount of \$314,414.06.
Top of Range Pay P/R 02-26-10 in the amount of \$43,398.77.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Allison will make appointments as needed.

C. OLD BUSINESS

D. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Councilmember Reports:** Councilmembers will report on the boards and commissions that they serve on.

Recommendation: Informational item.

2. **City Administrator's Update:** City Administrator Howard Partington will provide an update on city activities. "Fact or Fiction" may be presented.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 3. Economic Development Report:** Jan Peters will provide her monthly economic development report.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 4. Recognition of Service:** Trudy Damon has moved out of the First Ward and has therefore resigned her position on the City Council. Ms. Damon will be recognized for her years of service on the City Council.

Recommendation: Recognize Trudy Damon for her service on the City Council.

- 5. Request to Remove No Parking Signs:** In 1983 the property owners who lived on the 2400 Block of Walnut Drive requested that no parking signs be installed so that school traffic would not cause parking problems. Since that time additional parking has been installed by USD 428 and the property owners are now requesting that the restrictions be removed. Attached are copies of the request, the agenda from 1983, petitions signed by the owners, and a resolution that would rescind the parking restrictions.

Recommendation: Motion to adopt the resolution that rescinds the parking restrictions on the 2400 Block of Walnut Drive.

- 6. Request to Remove Abatement Fees Charged for the Removal of a Tree:** Attached is a letter from Dusti Jones requesting that the city withdraw the fees assessed against the property at 1401 2nd Street for the removal of a tree in 2007. Ms. Jones wishes to address the council on this matter. Ms. Jones does not own this property, but is trying to help the owner. Staff has advised her that they would recommend against the removal of this assessment of abatement fees.

Recommendation: Motion to deny the request to remove the abatement fees assessed against the property at 1401 2nd Street for the removal of a tree in 2007.

- 7. Abatement Request:** The following abatement will be presented.

Owner/Renter: WHB Rentals

Location: 5 3rd

Violation: Garbage and Refuse

Recommendation: Take action on abatement.

- 8. Cereal Malt Beverage Change of Managers:** The Kwik Shop at 3907 Broadway and the Kwik Shop at 2334 Main are requesting a change of managers for these two locations. City Clerk Wayne Henneke will report.

Recommendation: Take action of requests.

- 9. Review of Emergency Operations Plan:** Police Chief Dean Aking will provide updated copies of the notification sheet for the emergency operations plan. He will also review any procedures that anyone wishes to review.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 10. Replacement of Trees in the Downtown Area:** Terry Hoff and Scott Keeler have been working on the proper procedure for the replacement of the trees that have died in the downtown area. They will discuss the number and types of trees that have died and suggest the types of trees that could be used for replacement of those trees.

Recommendation: Authorize the replacement of trees in the downtown area.

- 11. Commercial Flights to Kansas City or Denver:** Fewer and fewer Essential Air Service cities are flying into the Kansas City airport. Martin Miller has been contacted by the president of Great Lakes Aviation about the City of Great Bend changing from Kansas City to Denver for our EAS service. President Chuck Howell would be willing to come to our next council meeting if there is enough interest in pursuing the possibility of changing our service from Kansas City to Denver. Martin Miller will report.

Recommendation: Discuss the possibility of changing from Kansas City to Denver for our Essential Air Service flights. Invite Great Lakes Aviation President Chuck Howell to our March 15th Council Meeting for a presentation and action on those possible changes.

F. ADJOURNMENT