GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 8, 2009
7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Members present:

__Mayor Mike Allison
__Councilmember Trudy Damon
__Councilmember Mitch Haney
__Councilmember Joel Jackson
__Councilmember Dale Westhoff
__Attorney Robert Suelter
__Councilmember Allene Owen
__Councilmember Ken Roberts
__Councilmember Dana Dawson
__Councilmember Randy Myers
__Administrator Howard Partington
__Clerk Wayne Henneke

A. OPENING PRAYER

B. CONSENT AGENDA

a) **Minutes**: Minutes of the Regular Session held on August 17, 2009.

b) **Claim's Warrant Register #0908-09**: covering 2009 bills to date**.**

c) **Payroll Warrant Register P/WR#0822-09** covering payroll ending August 22, 2009 in the amount of $309,687.61.

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.

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. **SRCA Update on Drag Strip Activities**: SRCA President Hank Denning will provide an update on the activities taking place at the drag strip.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

4. **Request to Have City Take Over Maintenance of Broadway Islands**: Beautification Committee Chair Dortha Keenan wishes to address the issue of having the City take over the maintenance of the Broadway Islands. Howard Partington will discuss some of the issues that will need to be considered relative to this request. It is suggested that a decision not be made at this meeting.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

5. **Request for Cereal Malt Beverage License**: The Chamber is requesting a cereal malt beverage license for the Big Bend Bike Rally on September 26th. City Clerk Wayne Henneke will report.

   Recommendation: Take action on request.

6. **Abatement Request**: The following abatement request will be presented.
   Owner/Renter: Ismael Dominguez
   Location: 1500 19th Street or near that area
   Violation: Motor Vehicles

   Recommendation: Take action on abatement.

7. **Renewal of Neighborhood Revitalization Program**: Assistant City Administrator Nick Gregory will discuss issues relating to the renewal of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

8. **Selection of Delegates for the LKM Conference**: The annual LKM Conference is being held in Topeka October 4-6. In the past the City Council has voted to authorize Mayor Allison to select voting and non-voting delegates from those persons planning to attend the conference.

   Recommendation: Motion to authorize Mayor Allison to select voting and non-voting delegates for the LKM Conference.

9. **Employee Appreciation Dinner**: The next employee appreciation dinner would be for the Public Works Department. A suggested date would be the second meeting in October.

   Recommendation: Set date and time for next employee appreciation dinner.

10. **South McKinley Street Reconstruction Supplemental Agreement**: Attached is the proposed supplemental agreement for the South McKinley Street Reconstruction Project. The agreement is required by federal law. Howard Partington will report.

    Recommendation: Motion to authorize Mayor Allison to sign the supplemental agreement with KDOT for the South McKinley Street Reconstruction Project.

11. **Amendment to Section 125 Plan**: Due to changes in the federal law under the Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax (HEART) Act, businesses with a flexible benefit plan can approve an amendment allowing Guard and Reserve members who contribute to an employer-provided flexible spending or "cafeteria plan" health care account can get refunds of contributions at the end of the calendar year rather than lose the money – if they have been mobilized ruing that year and are unable to spend the money as expected. Attached is the amendment in resolution form. Human Resources Director Terry Hoff will report.

    Recommendation: Motion to adopt resolution amending the plan to incorporate the requirements of the Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Act of 2008.

12. **Ball Complex Update and Directions**: Howard Partington and Terry Hoff will discuss a number of issues relating to the development of the ball complex. A number of the issues relate to the current contract. Attached is a letter from Leon Brown of Schwab-Eaton relating to the red shale material for the infields.

    Recommendation: Take action on changes and requests.

13. **Request for Executive Session**: There is a request for an executive session.

    Recommendation: Motion to hold an executive session to discuss matters relating to the financial affairs of a business, corporation or sole proprietorship for a period of _____ minutes.

14. **Request for Executive Session**: There is a request for an executive session.

    Recommendation: Motion to hold an executive session to discussed personnel matters for a period of ___ minutes.

G. ADJOURNMENT