

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF PAOLA, KANSAS
6:00 O’CLOCK P.M.
June 9, 2015**

**Held in the Municipal Court Room at the Paola Justice Center
805 North Pearl Street in Paola**

The Governing Body of the City of Paola, Kansas, met with Mayor Stuteville presiding.

Council Members present: Mayor Artie Stuteville and Council Members Jim Pritchard, Gee Gee Wilhoite, Leigh House, and Aaron Nickelson.

Council Members absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Jay Wieland, City Clerk Dan Droste, City Attorney Lee Tetwiler, Public Works Director Craig Browning, Police Detective Kevin Coldwell, City Planner Mike Gotfredson, Richard Lentz Lorelei Crum with the Paola Chamber of Commerce, and Brian McCauley with the Miami County Republic.

Agenda Item 1 - CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Stuteville.

Agenda Item 2 - ROLL CALL: Mayor Stuteville and Council Members Pritchard, Wilhoite, House, and Nickelson were all present. No one was absent.

Agenda Item 3 - PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS: Mayor Stuteville asked the audience if anyone desired to address the Council about any issue that is not an agenda item. No one else addressed the Council.

Agenda Item 4 - CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of May 26, 2015.
- b. Approval of Salary Ordinances 15-12.
- c. Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No 804.
- d. Approval of the Pledged Securities Report for May, 2015.
- e. Approval of the Journal Entries Report for May, 2015.
- f. Approval of the renewal of a Drinking Establishment License for El Potro.

Council Member Wilhoite made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion was seconded by Council Member Pritchard and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Agenda Item 5 – REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Agenda Item 5a – Consider a Street Closure Application from Miami County for the construction of the new County Detention Center.

Manager Wieland presented a request from Miami County to temporarily close the following streets during the construction of the new County Detention Center:

- 1) South Agate Street: One half block from the alley south of Miami Street to Shawnee Street.
- 2) South Pearl Street: A portion of the east lane from Mission Street south to Shawnee Street. Parking on the west side of South Pearl in this block will be temporarily prohibited to accommodate 2-way traffic during the closure.
- 3) The duration of the temporary street closure is requested to begin on September 1, 2015 and run through January 1, 2017.

Manager Wieland reported that City Staff met with County Administrator Shane Krull and project contractors to work through the closure request. He indicated that the plan would provide security for the site and maximize safety for construction workers and the public.

After additional discussion, Council Member Nickelson made a motion to approve the Street Closure Application from Miami County to temporarily close ½ block of South Agate Street from the alley south to Shawnee Street and a portion of the east lane of South Pearl Street from Mission Street south to Shawnee Street from September 1, 2015 through January 1, 2017, as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member House and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Agenda Item 5b – Consider a Street Closure Application for the Antique Garden Tractor & Lawn Equipment Show and Garden Tractor Pull – rescheduled for July 18th.

Manager Wieland reported that the Antique Garden Tractor & Lawn Equipment Show and Garden Tractor Pull that was originally scheduled for April 25th was cancelled due to inclement weather. This event has been rescheduled for Saturday, July 18th and the event organizers are requesting the same street closure for the event on the rescheduled date.

After additional discussion, Council Member House made a motion to approve the temporary closure of a portion of Industrial Park Drive on July 18th for the first annual Antique Garden Tractor & Lawn Equipment Show and Garden Tractor Pull, as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Nickelson and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Agenda Item 5c – Consider the approval of a Community Event Permit and Temporary Alcohol License for sale/consumption of alcohol in the Park Square for the Art & Wine Stroll on July 11th.

Loralei Crum, with the Paola Chamber of Commerce, presented a request for a Community Event Permit and Temporary Alcohol License for sale/consumption of alcohol in the Park Square for the Art & Wine Stroll on July 11th. She reported that the event was planned to take place in the identical manner as last year at various businesses in the downtown area and in the Park Square.

After additional discussion, Council Member Pritchard made a motion to approve the Community Event Permit and Temporary Alcohol License for the Art & Wine Stroll on July 11th. The motion was seconded by Council Member Nickelson. Council Members Pritchard, House and Nickelson voted aye and Council Member Wilhoite voted nay. The motion passed 3 to 1.

Agenda Item 6 - NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Droste reported that the Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner was scheduled for Thursday, June 25th beginning at 5:30 pm at Town Square.

Loralei Crum, with the Paola Chamber of Commerce, reported on the upcoming Heartland Car Show, the Annual Dinner, the July 3rd Fireworks Display, and the Art & Wine Stroll.

Manager Wieland reported that City Staff will be meeting tomorrow with the Architect on the Miami County Detention Center to review plans for the project.

Manager Wieland presented a copy of a letter from the Miami County Commissioners to our State Representatives expressing objections to HB 2109 and the local tax lid that is included in the proposed legislation. He went on to discuss the status of HB 2109 and urged everyone to contact our Representatives and urge them to vote no on the legislation.

Council Member Pritchard inquired about the water slides at the pool. He indicated that they were looking poorly and need to be painted. Public Works Director Browning reported that the Pool Manager had made arrangements to have the slides refinished prior to the pool opening but they were unable to get it completed.

Council Member Pritchard inquired about the status of the zebra mussels at Lake Miola. Public Works Director Browning reported that the State of Kansas released their statement on the population of zebra mussels in the lake and this information has been posted on the City's website. Browning reported that the Paola Country Club does purchase raw water from Lake Miola for irrigation and he has notified the Club personally about the discovery of zebra mussels in the lake.

Mayor Stuteville commented that it appeared that progress was finally taking place on the gas service utility work on Pearl Street.

Agenda Item 7 – ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Stuteville announced that at the conclusion of this meeting the Council will hold a work study meeting to discuss the 2016 Budget.

With no additional business to come before the Council, Council Member Wilhoite made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Pritchard and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Artie Stuteville, Mayor

ATTEST: [seal]

Daniel G. Droste, City Clerk