

**Regular Meeting:**

The Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers at 430 Lincoln Avenue, Wamego, Kansas. Those present were Commissioners: Michele Jacobs, Clifford Baughman, Richard Weixelman and William Ditto. Mayor Thomas Beem. Absent: None

Also present were City Manager, Stacie Eichem, City Clerk, Shanda Jahnke, City Treasurer, Leslie Dugan and City Attorney, Jake Pugh.

The City Clerk presented the minutes of the regular meeting of the Governing Body held February 7, 2023. After a careful reading and discussion thereof, it was moved by Commissioner Jacobs and seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The City Clerk then submitted to the Governing Body for their consideration and approval Appropriation Ordinance No. 1663. After a careful review and discussion thereof, Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman, to approve and adopt Appropriation Ordinance Number 1663. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Public Comments and Communications:**

The next regular work session will be March 7, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

The City Manager advised that the City of Wamego had been awarded two grants for the airport. The first grant is the phase 2 planning in the amount of \$66,500 and the second grant is for reconstructing the taxiway and apron in the amount of \$468,000. This would help with the additional space for the crop-dusting planes. The City portion of the work would be \$55,500.

**Recreation Shirt Proposal:**

Stacie Eichem reported that six proposals had been received for the recreation shirts with the low proposal being from Country Graphics with the majority of the shirts being between \$6-\$7 per shirt. Country Graphics is owned and operated by the new owners of the Flower Mill and have had experience in working with recreation shirt orders. Commissioner Baughman moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs to accept the proposal from Country Graphics. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Special Assessments and Temporary Financing:**

The City Manager advised that the following resolution would pertain to the street project and the special assessment financing for Scenic Ridge.

Resolution No. 20230221 was presented and read as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFERING FOR SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION TEMPORARY NOTES, SERIES 2023, OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS.

Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Baughman to approve Resolution No. 20230221. Motion Carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0, Commissioner Jacobs abstained.

**Scenic Ridge Infrastructure Bids:**

Stacie advised that four bids had been received for the Scenic Ridge infrastructure with the low bidder being Bayer Construction at \$3,320,030.90. Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Beem to accept the bid from Bayer Construction in the amount of \$3,320,030.90. Motion Carried. Aye: 4, Nay: 0, Commissioner Jacobs abstained.

**Advance Pottawatomie:**

The City Manager reported that Pottawatomie Economic Development was starting Advance Pottawatomie for 2023 through 2026 to raise funds for Economic Development. The request was for \$10,000 per year through 2026. Commissioner Weixelman moved, seconded by Commissioner Ditto to approve the \$10,000 request starting in 2023 to run through 2026. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Capital Improvement Plan:**

Stacie reported that the Capital Improvement Plan was going to the Planning Commission for approval prior to coming to City Commission at a later meeting.

**Official Newspaper:**

Resolution No. 20230221-A was presented and read as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS, DESIGNATING "THE TIMES POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY, KS" AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS, PURSUANT TO KSA 12-1651.

Commissioner Ditto moved, seconded by Commissioner Jacobs. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

**Vision Wamego Steering Committee Appointments:**

Mayor Beem appointed Nancy Burton, Lanny Bosse, Chris Eichman, Lisa Diederich, Dwight Faulkner, Tom Fulmer, Casie Hartwich, Brady Herman, Jaimee Hoobler, Chris Hupe, Darin Miller, Bryan Newall, Bart Stewart and Lance White to the Vision Wamego Steering Committee.

**Project Updates:**

The library project is underway, and they have been moving books. The City Shop is slowly being moved into the new building. The waterline is in progress on Columbian Road which will increase water pressure in the area and when that project is complete the traffic signal at Hwy 24 & Columbian Road project will be starting. Plum Street is still in progress and we will be scheduling public meetings for the larger street project.

**Department Updates:**

The parks department is working at the Recreation Complex to prepare the fields for the baseball/softball season. The indoor pool will begin opening at 6am beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**City Manager and Other Reports - City Manager:**

Employee appreciation will be held March 17<sup>th</sup> at the Columbian Theatre.

Community Day in the park will be held March 26<sup>th</sup> between 2-4pm

At this time, Commissioner Beem moved to adjourn into executive session for five (5) minutes to discuss confidential data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, individual proprietorships and that the meeting would reconvene at 6:30 P.M. Commissioner Ditto seconded the motion. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0.

The meeting reconvened.

No further business appearing, meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

/s/ Thomas Beem, Mayor

/s/ Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk