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HOLDEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 19, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Hallar Building (City Hall) 101 W 3rd Street Holden, MO 64040

Mayor Briscoe called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The Mayor asked the body to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation; with the invocation being led by Chief Mayhew.

Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call of the council immediately following invocation. As follows:

McDaniel	Present	Pemberton	Present
Miller	Absent	Barwick	Present
Mensch	Present	Goodfellow	Present
Fields	Present	Mallory	Present

Also in attendance was Police Chief Mayhew and City Attorney Harris.

Mayor Briscoe started the meeting with a motion to remove the audit resolution from the agenda. With the motion so moved by Councilman McDaniel and seconded by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe brought the council’s attention to the minutes of the November 21, 2024, City Council Meeting. He called for a motion to approve. There were no edits, corrections, or additional information. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and seconded by Councilman Goodfellow, the minutes were approved.

Mayor Briscoe asked for a motion to approve the appropriations/expenditures presented at the Finance & Budget Committee Meeting. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Mallory and a second by Councilman Barwick, the appropriations/expenditures were approved.

Next the Mayor called upon the public speakers who requested time for comment.

Selena Garten, with The Pheonix Network, stated that they support rural Johnson County and are a 501c3 organization that supports families of addicted persons. The organization is working with other non for profit organizations in the area to bring resources such as counseling, support groups, etc to families of addiction to Holden.

Mayor Briscoe stated that Attorney Harris will be resigning, wishes him the best and thanked him for all he has done for the City of Holden.

Police Chief Mayhew provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Mayhew reported: Incident reports – 29; Misdemeanors – 11; Felonies – 3; Warrant arrest – 2; Domestic – 2; Miscellaneous reports – 3; Agency assist – 1; MVC – 1; Juvenile – 4; CIT – 2; Traffic Summons – 38; Traffic Warning – 73. For Codes/Animal Control: Codes cases – 16; Animal At Large/ License – 0; Vicious Animal – 0; Nuisance – 6; Business – 0; Illegal burn – 1.

Fire Chief Wakeman provided a written report but was not present at the meeting. Chief Wakeman reported: Fire incidents – 13; Rescue/EMS incidents – 10. Engine 211 has possible alternator failure. This pumper will be replaced with the new bond. Engine 212 has no current maintenance issues. Brush 215 had welds on frame break. This has been fixed by the Street Department. Car 200 has no current maintenance issues.

Street Superintendent Joe Robb provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Weekly maintenance, culvert installations, and large equipment maintenance. The reconstruction of Elm Street is complete. The auction for the surplus items ends January 1st. Surplus items include the Road Hog and mill machine for the skid steer.

The Board of Public Works provided the written minutes from the BPW meeting. Their minutes reflect that taste and odor issues are being resolved. The minutes also reflect that there have been some disagreements between Council and the BPW about the process for finding a new water/sewer contractor.

The Mayor introduced the Parks Director, Tami Mallory.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Budget, Finance & Administration Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated that the committee has received quotes for window replacement in City Hall, and clean up and repair for stormshelter.

Councilman Miller reported for Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Miller was not present to give a report.

Councilman Mensch reported for Community Development Committee. Mr. Mensch stated that there will be no City Lake meetings until February. Lighting is being installed at the entrances of the lake. He thanked the Street Department for the installation.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Public Safety Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated that there was no meeting this month.

Councilman Mensch reported for Public Parks and Recreation Committee. Mr. Mensch stated that Christmas in the Park had an estimated 150 attendees. The walking trail is being refinished, and the Parks and Recreation Board has set a date for Sparks in the Park, June 28, 2025.

Councilwoman Mallory reported for Economic and Industrial Development Committee. Ms. Mallory stated that there was no meeting this month.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R24-40 Street Department purchase request and called for a motion to approve. The Johnson County Commissioners will provide a 50/50 match, and unused/broken equipment will be surplus and sold to also help with costs of new equipment. If this motion passes, there is to be an understanding that the Mayor will have to "deauthorize" some of the ARPA funds with Johnson County. With the motion so moved by Councilman Barwick and a second by Councilman Pemberton the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R24-41 Police Department renovations change order and called for a motion to approve. This change order will be for the outside of the building. With the motion so moved by Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilwoman Fields the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 12-01-24 Letter of Engagement – City Attorney, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

McDaniel	Yes	Pemberton	Yes
Miller	Absent	Barwick	Yes

Mensch Yes Goodfellow Yes
Fields Yes Mallory Yes

Bill No. 12-01-24 Letter of Engagement – City Attorney passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 12-02-24 Chapter 50 amendments, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Pemberton, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

McDaniel Yes Pemberton Yes
Miller Absent Barwick Yes
Mensch Yes Goodfellow Yes
Fields Yes Mallory Yes

Bill No. 12-02-24 Chapter 50 amendments passed.

The BPW has requested a reimbursement of the payments for the design portion of the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Mayor Briscoe has explained to council that most of the money spent by the BPW on the design phase was done so before the council voted to support, and reimburse the BPW in the construction phase of the project. Ordinance 28-23, where council voted, is approval to use American Rescue Plan Act (APRA) funds for the engineering and construction costs related to the correction of the surface water incursion violations at the Holden Waste Water Treatment Facility. After explanation, the Mayor called for a motion for Council to approve the Mayor to send the BPW a letter explaining the reasonings previously stated, and to allow reimbursement of the design bill that was received after the passing of Ordinance 28-23. This motion was not moved, nor seconded. With Council’s silence portrayed as approval, the Mayor will reimburse the one design bill in the amount of \$1550.

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Pemberton, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM.

Council Approved: _____

Ray Briscoe, Mayor

Sarah Claxton, City Clerk