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**HOLDEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, March 20, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Hallar Building (City Hall) 101 W 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 The Mayor.

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

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

Also in attendance was Police Chief Mayhew, Fire Chief Wakeman, Street Superintendent Robb, Park Director Mallory, and the city attorney.

Mayor Briscoe brought the council’s attention to the minutes of the February 20, 2025, City Council Meeting. He called for a motion to approve. There were no edits, corrections, or additional information. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and seconded by Councilman Mensch, 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 Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields, the appropriations/expenditures were approved.

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Mayor Briscoe stated that there has been a “Senior Citizen Property Tax Credit” ordinance adopted by Johnson County. He also stated that Saturday March 22 there will be a city park clean up from 9-11am, April 12<sup>th</sup> Johnson County Emergency Management will host a County-wide Clean up day, and that the election in April, where new councilmembers will be determined, will be before the next council meeting.

Police Chief Mayhew provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Mayhew reported: Incident reports – 31; Misdemeanors – 14; Felonies – 6; Warrant arrest –2; Domestic – 0; Miscellaneous reports – 5; Agency assist – 1; MVC – 0; Juvenile – 2; CIT – 1; Traffic Summons – 69; Traffic Warning – 61. For Codes/Animal Control: Codes cases – 28; Animal At Large/ License – 1; Vicious Animal – 0; Nuisance – 7; Business – 6; Illegal burn – 0. He also stated that the new radios were active and the paperwork was complete for reimbursement on the grants for body armor and in car cameras.

Fire Chief Wakeman provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Wakeman reported: Fire incidents – 11; Rescue/EMS incidents – 17. The average response time for all calls – 6 minutes, 53 seconds.

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. He also

reported that their new radios are installed and he has been reviewing a new computer software program.

Park Director Tami Mallory provided a written report as well as delivered her report in the meeting. She reported Stout Fencing has been selected to install a concrete walking path and handicap accessible parking spot in front of the Coonhunters building. The basketball fence project is still in the works, and there will soon be a handrail installed on the new steps on the walking trail. One member of the Park Board has been inactive for some time, and the Board will be asking Council to remove that member.

The Board of Public Works provided the written minutes from the BPW meeting. Their minutes reflect there have been several main breaks, and the tower monitoring telemetry system had a failure, requiring manual water level management until repaired.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Budget, Finance & Administration Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated the Request for Bids were out for foundation repair and new windows at City Hall, and that the Police Department will have a change order for work on the outside of the building.

Councilman Miller reported for Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Miller stated that the committee is looking into the pros and cons of adopting a city-wide trash service to include recycling. He also thanked the Mayor for all the time and effort that was put in to receive the County's money match grant to get the city new stormwater equipment.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Public Safety Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated that the PD roof replacement Request for Bid will be issued soon.

Councilman Mensch reported for Public Parks and Recreation Committee. Mr. Mensch stated that the Park has two events coming up, April 12<sup>th</sup> – Easter in the Park, and July 12<sup>th</sup> – Spark in the Park. He also stated that the Lake Group has been working on a grant for rustic campgrounds at the Lake, and that the fees for lake passes will be changed with council approval.

Councilwoman Mallory reported for Economic, Industrial, and Community Development Committee. Ms. Mallory stated that there has been interest in putting RV spots in the mobile home park.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-04 Local emergency operations plan and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Miller and a second by Councilman Pemberton the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-05 Cleaning contract renewal and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilwoman Fields, there was some discussion. Some council would like clarification of the cost totals. Councilman Mensch motioned to postpone the vote for clarification of the costs. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-06 Correction to prosecuting attorney contract and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-07 Removal of Park Board member and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R25-08 Appointment of Park Board member and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilman Mensch the motion passed.

The Mayor motioned to amend the agenda to move the new business item – library bench – up to this current placement on the agenda. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch, the motion passed.

The Mayor then explained that Mr. Hancock has been working with the city staff and Library Board to place a memorial bench on library grounds. The Library Board has approved of the bench and now the decision has been moved to council for vote. The Mayor motioned to approve the placement of the memorial bench on library grounds. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Pemberton, the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 03-01-25 Generator contract with Generators for Sale, 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 Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilman Miller, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

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

Bill No. 03-01-25 Generator contract with Generators for Sale passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 03-02-25 Foundation contract with Absolute Masonry & Foundation, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilman McDaniel, 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 Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilman Pemberton, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

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

Bill No. 03-02-25 Foundation contract with Absolute Masonry & Foundation passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 03-03-25 Chapter 122 – Water Reservoir amendments, 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 Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

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

Bill No. 03-03-25 Chapter 122 – Water Reservoir amendments passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 03-04-25 Chapter 123 – Open Burning amendments, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Miller

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 Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilman McDaniel, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

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

Bill No. 03-04-25 Chapter 123 – Open Burning amendments passed.

The Mayor discussed the Board of Public Works’ (BPW) request for city funds to maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) instead of BPW funding. Councilman Mensch motioned that the city’s general fund not be used for the maintenance of a pond specifically built for the wastewater treatment facility. With the motioned seconded by Councilwoman Fields, the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then called for a motion to enter closed session for RSMO 620.021(1) Legal Actions, and 610.021(2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body. With the motion moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Goodfellow, the Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

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

Entering closed session for legal actions, and real estate passed.

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Miller, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

Council Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ray Briscoe, Mayor

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Sarah Claxton, City Clerk