Greensburg City Council
September 15, 2014
City Hall

Item 1: Opening Session
Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; Invocation; Roll Call
Mayor Robert Dixson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on September 15, 2014. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and the invocation given by Tony Factor. Council present: Matt Christenson, Sandy Jungemann, Rick Schaffer, and Haley Kern. Mark Trummel was absent.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
Jungemann made a motion, to accept the agenda as presented. Christenson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor’s Report
There was no report from the Mayor.

Council Member’s Report
There was no report from Council.

City Administrator Comments
City Administrator Ed Truelove briefed Council on the following topics:
- On September 10th, Truelove and City Clerk Christy Pyatt attended a Tree Board meeting, to obtain the Board’s input on several topics related to downtown plantings and City trees. In the coming weeks, the topics discussed with the Tree Board will be addressed with Council, during regular meetings and the Planning Workshop scheduled for October 14th.
- The Mayor and Truelove will attend the KDOT Local Consult Meeting, in Hutchinson, on September 30th. Agenda topics include a T-Works update, funding overview, KDOT/KTA Partnership update, and discussion on projects for preliminary engineering.
- Truelove has registered for, and will attend the Kansas Power Pool Planning Conference September 26th and 27th, in Kansas City, MO.

Item 2: Public Comment
Dixson welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting to public comment. There were no comments from the public.

Item 3: Consent Agenda
Kern made a motion, seconded by Schaffer, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

Item 4: Items of Business
Truelove requested that Council approve Ordinance 1056, adopting the current edition of the “Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities” (STO). Each year the League updates the publication to reflect changes in state statutes that were adopted July 1. Christenson made a motion to approve Ordinance 1056. Jungemann seconded. Roll call vote: Christenson: yes; Trummel: absent; Jungemann: yes; Schaffer: yes; Kern: yes. Motion passed 4-0.

Truelove explained that Ordinance 1057 is similar to the previously adopted Ordinance, except that it adopts the Uniform Public Offense Code (UPOC), which covers non-traffic violations and saves cities from having to adopt multiple Ordinances. Jungemann made a motion to approve Ordinance 1057. Kern seconded. Roll call vote: Christenson: yes; Trummel: absent; Jungemann: yes; Schaffer: yes; Kern: yes. Motion passed 4-0.

C. Consider Resolution 2014-07, amending the City’s Procurement Policy.

Truelove has examined the City’s current procurement policy, the policy adopted in 2006, and policies adopted by other cities. Resolution 2014-07 combines portions of each of each those policies, leaves the current spending limits for Administration and Department Heads the same, defines the City’s methods of procurement, and clearly states Performance Bond requirements. Section 2 of the document allows Council to waive requirements of the policy by majority vote, when deemed in the best interest of the City. Resolution 2014-07 has been reviewed and amended by City Attorney Gordon Stull. Stull assured Council that the proposed policy meets requirements of the Cash Basis Law. Also, the City Administrator is given the authority to decide if a contract is needed for a purchase. Kern made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-07. Christenson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

D. Consider Resolution 2014-08, modifying Municipal Court Costs.

Truelove requested that Council approve Resolution 2014-08, formalizing and authorizing Municipal Court Fees. Stull has reviewed and approved the proposed resolution. Christenson made a motion to approve resolution 2014-08. Jungemann seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

E. Consider Resolution 2014-09, amending Section 5.16 Group Health, Dental and Prescription Drug Coverage in the City’s Personnel Policy Handbook.

Truelove requested Council approve Resolution 2014-09, amending Section 5.16 Group Health, Dental and Prescription Drug Coverage in the City’s Personnel Policy Handbook. The last paragraph of the proposal was added to allow Medicare eligible employees who choose to obtain Medicare health insurance to retain their City-provided health care plan as a supplemental policy. Should the employee choose to “opt-out” of their City-provided plan, he/she would be eligible to receive up to $250/month to assist with his/her healthcare costs. Kern made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-09. Christenson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

F. Convene as the Land Bank to accept property located at 800 W. Kansas Ave. into the Land Bank.

Dixson recessed the Council at 6:16 p.m. Council convened as the Land Bank to consider a donation of property located at 800 W. Kansas Ave. Staff has been working with Mr. Patel on his requested donation. Patel has obtained an independent appraisal of the property. Staff feels that there are economic development opportunities associated with the property and requested Council approve acceptance of the property into the Land Bank. Patel has kept property taxes current, paying $1,300 this year, and because of this he is uncomfortable with adding the cost of title insurance to his expenses. Staff recommended the Land Bank pay the $524.50 cost of title insurance for the property. This fee includes a search fee and insurance based on the value of the property as being gifted. Jungemann made a motion to accept the donation of 800 W. Kansas Ave. into the Land Bank and to pay the cost of title insurance. Christenson seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Dixson reconvened the City Council at 6:21 p.m.
Item 5: City Attorney's Report
Stull had no additional items to report.

Item 6: Executive Session
There was no need for executive session.

Item 7: Adjournment
Dixson reported that he would be leaving tomorrow for the Wind Operator's Congress in Chicago. Dixson has been asked to be the keynote speaker for the event, speaking on what has been done in Greensburg since the 2007 disaster.

Dixson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

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Robert A. Dixson, Mayor     Christy Pyatt, City Clerk