

**ANDOVER CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, April 10, 2007
Minutes**

The Andover City Council met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at 909 N. Andover Road in the Andover Civic Center. Mayor Ben Lawrence called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Council Members present were Caroline Hale, Kevin Dreiling, Keith Zinn, Sheri Geisler, Clark Nelson, and Carol Roberts. Others in attendance were: Director of Public Works and Community Development Les Mangus, Administrative Services Director Donna Davis, Management Assistant Sasha Stiles, Lance Durfey Waste Water Dept., Administrative Secretary Susan Renner, City Attorney Norman Manley, Fire Chief Jim Shaver, Police Captain Randall Harris, and City Clerk/Administrator Jeff Bridges.

Roll Call

The Invocation was given by Pastor Leon Hiebert of the Andover Assembly of God.

Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Lawrence.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Lawrence opened the floor to public comment.

Public Forum

- Terry Johnson, 131 Williamsburg, Andover, raised discussion concerning a proposed paving project of Main Street. The Council explained that the project has not yet been presented to them so they could not make any comments regarding the project.
- Mr. Johnson was also concerned about the sewer lines in this area. He passed around a book with pictures of street conditions. Mr. Johnson is suggesting that any conflicts with sewer conditions should be taken care of prior to paving. Mr. Bridges explained the sewer pipes at that location had been rehabilitated two (2) years ago.
- Mr. Johnson also wanted to discuss the lack of sewer service to property he currently owns on Andover Road. Mr. Bridges asked why the City would seek an easement on property they are not developing? Mr. Johnson does not want an easement only sewer service.

Council Member Nelson asked Mr. Johnson what action he is asking the City Council to take this evening. Council Member Nelson thanked Mr. Johnson for bringing these items to their attention and they will address them at the proper time.

Mr. Xury Hole, 318 Willowbrook, Andover, had three pictures he asked be projected on the wall. The pictures were of a dumpster located behind a business but also viewable from the street. He feels this is a shame to have such a site in Andover.

Council Member Hale believes this is the same dumpster the Council had discussed at a previous meeting. Mr. Bridges assured Mr. Hole and the Council that staff will again follow up.

Greg Graber, 211 S. Westview, Andover, was here regarding Zoning Case Z-2007-03. Mr. Graber wanted to voice his opinion and was unsure if he could attend the next Council meeting. Mr. Graber has lived at this address for 8 years and purchased the property because of location and low noise levels. He wanted to know why any Board would recommend re-zoning of a residential area when there is still plenty of commercial property available. He feels this is being done because the owner can do this cheaper than purchasing existing commercial property for development. He would like the Council to consider that and noted the residents in that area do not want a business in their back yard.

Council Member Hale explained that it is also difficult for an individual to sell there property when there is no longer a desire for residential in that particular location. She went on to say the City Council is in the middle.

Mayor Lawrence closed the public forum.

A motion was made by Council Member Nelson, seconded by Council Member Geisler , to accept the agenda. Motion carried 6/0.

Mayor Lawrence presented Officer Randa Wilson and Officer Mark Werbin Life Saving Awards. They are being awarded for their assistance with an elderly woman who was choking and as first on the scene their efforts were able to keep her breathing until Fire Department and Emergency Medical personnel arrived.

Awards & recognition

Mayor Lawrence presented Lance Durfey, Andover Waste Water Department, with an award received by the City, "2007 Collection System Award" from the Kansas Water Environment Association. Mr. Durfey noted this was the second year for the City to be presented this award.

A motion was made by Council Member Geisler, seconded by Council Member Dreiling to approve the Consent agenda as follows:

Consent agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting, March 27, 2007
 - B. Receive & file Minutes: Site Plan Review Committee Meeting, March 6, 2007
 - C. Receive & file reports:
 - i. Police
 - ii. Fire
 - D. Approval of appropriation ordinance B-07-07 in the amount of \$253,393.35
- Approval of non-elected personnel status change for Jeff Bridges, City Clerk/Administrator, annual pay increase from \$75,000 to 78,750 annually.

Motion carried 6/0.

Mayor Lawrence stated there has been some dilemma with the Keystone Street paving project in the Cornerstone Commercial Addition coming in at \$300,000 over bid. Staff recommends only the approval of receipt of the proposal.

Cornerstone
Commercial Addition

A motion was made at 7:35 p.m. by Council Member Geisler, seconded by Council Member Zinn, to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel to include Norman Manley City Attorney, Jeff Bridges City Administrator, the Mayor and the Council. Motion carried 6/0.

A motion was made by Council Member Geisler, seconded by Council Member Hale to come out of executive session at 7:42 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

A motion was made by Council Member Geisler, seconded by Council Member Nelson, to make a conditional offer of employment to Michael Keller for the Andover Chief of Police position commencing May 12, 2007, with a starting salary of \$68,250 per year, to be contingent upon passage of drug screen, psychological and physical testing. Motion carried 6/0.

Executive session –
non-elected personnel

Mayor Lawrence expressed his appreciation for Council Member Zinn and presented him with a plaque honoring him for six years of service. The Mayor recognized that Council Member Zinn has done a lot for the City and there are a lot of fond memories.

Acknowledgement of
outgoing Council
Members

Council Member Zinn thanked those who supported him. He expressed his appreciation to the city staff, Council Members, and stated it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve the City of Andover. Mr. Zinn congratulated the incoming members and gave them a few bits of advice.

Mayor Lawrence expressed his appreciation for Council Member Geisler and presented her a plaque honoring her for five years of service. The Mayor noted her unwavering commitment to seek the win-win has always been appreciated.

Council Member Geisler stated that she has enjoyed the opportunity to be of service to the City of Andover thru the City Council and the Planning Commission. She thanked the Council and city staff for their professionalism and their outstanding work. She advised the incoming members to keep their sense of humor.

Member Items

Member items

Kevin Dreiling thanked Keith Zinn for all of his help during his tenure on the Council and he looks forward to still working with him. He also thanked Sheri Geisler for her dedication.

Clark Nelson thanked Keith Zinn for his passion for the city and doing the right thing, he has been very helpful and will be missed.

- Thanked Sheri Geilser for her great sense of humor and what a joy it has been working with her. She brought a lot of good thoughts and made good decisions that will be missed.

Sheri Geisler congratulated the incoming Council Members and noted what a great group this is to work with.

Caroline Hale had privately expressed her appreciation to Keith and Sheri for their service with the City Council. She wanted to extend appreciation to those in the audience and those watching on T.V. as being an active citizen and participating in the process. Stay informed, vote, and be a part of your government.

Carol Roberts agreed with the other Council Members' statements. She also thanked both members for the help they provided her.

Keith Zinn did not want to alarm the incoming members of the road they have to travel but is sure that by saying that "your trust is in God and faith is well founded he will help you get through it." A lot of new things are going on in Andover and some are going to be tough so hang in there and it will get done.

A motion was made by Council Member Zinn, seconded by Council Member Geisler, to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Motion carried 6/0.

Adjourn

Mayor Lawrence called the new business portion of the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

Call to order – new business

Jeff Bridges, City Administrator, swore in returning Council Member Caroline Hale.

Swearing in of Council Members

Jeff Bridges, City Administrator, swore in new City Council Member Julie Reams.

Jeff Bridges, City Administrator, swore in new City Council Member J.R. Jessen.

Mayor Lawrence welcomed everyone.

Les Magnus explained how the sale of fireworks is reviewed every year due to date/day of week changing with the holiday date. The State of Kansas allows us June 27 through July 4th sale and discharge of fireworks. Both are Wednesday's this year so staff is not recommending any changes to the current resolution and noted that there has been no requests received for sale of fireworks.

Sale and discharge of fireworks

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J.R. Jessen thanked everyone in the City of Andover and his family who supported him and helped him with his City Council campaign.

Carol Roberts noted the Caywood subdivision development lot sale sign on Lakeside Drive should probably come down. The appearance is poor and there are only 3 or so lots still for sale. Staff will follow up on the request.

Caroline Hale has received a letter from someone wanting to paint house numbers on street curbs. Jeff Bridges explained this is not allowed.

Julie Reams thanked everyone for support in her campaign for City Council. She also thanked her husband and children. She stated what an honor to be able to serve with the council.

Council Member Reams reminded everyone to come to the 2nd Annual Spring Fling this Saturday, April 14. Council Member Nelson will be the big duck rider.

Clark Nelson is looking forward to working with the new board.

Kevin Dreiling – no items

Ben Lawrence congratulated all three City Council Members.

- At the April 24th meeting a new Council president will need to be selected. Council Members be prepared to nominate and select among yourselves who will be her replacement as president.
- In May all of the liaison positions are up to be shuffled. This happens every two years.
- At the April 24th meeting there will also be a reshuffling of the seating arrangement on the bench.

Jeff Bridges asked the new members to stay after the meeting to schedule appointments for computer set up. A tour of the city and it's facilities will also be scheduled at your convenience. This will help give them the big picture as they move into the budget development process and learn who does what where.

A motion was made by Council Member Nelson, seconded by Council Member Hale, to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried 6/0. Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted by

Susan Renner
Administrative Secretary

Approved this day of , 2007 by the City Council, City of Andover.

Jeffrey K. Bridges
City Clerk