

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

City of Garden City

January 5, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Garden City was held at 11:00 a.m. at the City Administrative Center Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

All members were present. Mayor Unruh opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Re-Organization of the Board of City Commissioners.

Mayor Unruh thanked the community, staff, employees, fellow Commissioners, and his family for the accomplishments of the community during 2020, which proved to be a very tough year of 2020. Mayor Unruh shared the life lessons he learned throughout the year. Mayor Unruh thanked the other taxing entities that helped to make great things happen in Garden City, such as empirical Foods partners Finney County, US D 457, and Garden City Community College. He stated that great things like this wouldn't happen in Garden City without these partners. Mayor Unruh thanked staff from the Garden City Area Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Vision, Inc., Convention & Tourism Bureau, and Finney County Economic Development Corporation. Mayor Unruh thanked the first responders in the community for going above and beyond their normal call of duty. Mayor Unruh thanked delivery people, postal workers, grocery clerks, and next-door neighbors who also stepped up to the plate to work and help their neighbors. Mayor Unruh stated that there is no such thing as an essential worker and said everyone is an essential worker. Mayor Unruh is excited for the grand opening of Garden Rapids at the Big Pool and stated he thought that was one of the more challenging decisions they had to make as a Governing Body. Mayor Unruh commented that he loves the slogan, "The World Grows Here," and said that it shows, Garden City has proven to be a partner and leader in the region.

Commissioner Oyler moved to approve Commissioner Cessna as the Chairperson for the Board, who shall assume the duties and title of Mayor. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Mayor Cessna presented a recognition award to former Mayor Unruh. Commissioner Unruh passed the traditional wooden gavel to newly elected Mayor Cessna.

Mayor Cessna stated he is humbled to be named Mayor of Garden City. Mayor Cessna thanked former Mayor Unruh for his year of service as Mayor and commented that his leadership has really shown through in an unusual year. Mayor Cessna stated he is looking forward to working with his fellow Commissioners and staff to continue to make Garden City a regional destination in Western Kansas. Mayor Cessna wanted to acknowledge and give credit to the outstanding city staff and the high-quality service they give daily to the community. Mayor Cessna thanked his wife and children for giving of their time to allow him to serve on the Commission as Mayor. Mayor Cessna thanked the community for their support, and he looks forward to moving the community in a positive direction.

Commissioner Ortiz moved to approve Commissioner Dick as the Vice-Chairperson, who shall assume the duties and title of Vice-Mayor and serve as the Chairperson in the absence of the Mayor. Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Commissioner Dick moved to approve and authorize the City Clerk and City Attorney to be seated at the Commission bench. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Commissioner Unruh moved to designate the Garden City Telegram as the official city newspaper. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

After the short break to allow for family members and public to congratulate the new Mayor, Vice-Mayor, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners resumed at 1:00 p.m. with all members present. Commissioner Ortiz opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

The December 15, 2020 Commission Meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Pastor Nathaniel Haeck with Turning Point Church of the Nazarene shared with the Governing Body that the church is giving out COVID Care bags with items that may be needed by those in quarantine.

The Governing Body considered and approved a request from Garden City Public Schools and St. Catherine Hospital to allow the Mayor to proclaim the week of January 25 - January 28, 2021 as Health Awareness Week in Garden City, Kansas.

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Commissioner Ortiz stepped down from his seat at the bench.

Mayor Cessna appointed Commissioner Oyler to participate in the review of firms who submitted qualifications to perform space needs assessment for the Department of Public Works.

Commissioner Ortiz returned to his seat at the bench.

The Governing Body considered and set February 11, 2021 for Commissioner Training Workshop and February 23, 2021 for the 2021 Commission Goal Setting Retreat.

The City of Garden City has designated Finney County United Way as the recipient of \$14,352.52 that was made available through excess funds following the discontinuation of the Underground Overhead Maintenance (UOM) School that operated as an electric industry training program for 46 years in the region. The City of Garden City was a charter member of the UOM School.

Staff is pleased to report the 2020 fiber-optic line installation project between the City Administrative Center and Garden City Regional Airport is complete and operational.

The generosity of City of Garden City employees continues! Following the City's most successful

United Way campaign, and in addition to the annual practice of donating to help families in need during the Christmas season, City employees donated an additional \$990 to the St. Catherine Hospital Foundation to help provide gift certificates to front line healthcare workers. Thank you to City employees for all the ways you serve Garden City!

The City received correspondence from Cox Communications regarding channel rate changes.

Presentation of the results of the City of Garden City's annual equipment and vehicle auction from the Garden City Police Department.

Presentation of the November 2020 Master Activity Report from the Garden City Police Department.

Presentation of the GCPD Organizational Study Action Plan.

Presentation of the Monthly Sales Tax Reports from Service and Finance.

Meetings of Note

- January 9, 2021 - Legislative Coffee at 10:00 a.m. to be held virtually. Details can be found at www.gardencitychamber.net
- January 27, 2021 - Finney County Economic Development Corporation Board meeting will be held virtually at 7:30 a.m. Details can be found at www.ficoedc.com
- February 20, 2021 - Legislative Coffee at 10:00 a.m. - location to be determined. Details can be found at www.gardencitychamber.net

Appropriation Ordinance No. 2522-2021A, "an appropriation making certain appropriations for certain claims in the amount of \$5,375,535.80" was read and considered section by section.

Commissioner Ortiz moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved an ordinance rezoning a property from "I-3" Heavy Industrial (County) to "I-3" Heavy Industrial (City) for the property generally located at 110 S. Jennie Barker Rd, Garden City, KS.

1. Ordinance No. 2887 - 2021, an ordinance approving the rezoning of land from "I-3" Heavy Industrial District (County) to "I-3" Heavy Industrial District (City) amending the zoning ordinance, the zoning regulations, and the district zoning map of the city; and repealing the current zoning ordinance, the zoning regulations, and the district zoning map; all to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garden City, Kansas

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved an ordinance rezoning property from "A" Agriculture District to "R-1" Single Family Residential District for property generally located south of Sunset Memorial Gardens on the west side of S. Towns Road.

1. Ordinance No. 2888 - 2021, an ordinance approving the rezoning of land from "A" Agriculture District to "R-1" Single-Family Residential district; amending the Zoning Ordinance, the Zoning Regulations, and the District Zoning Map of the City; repealing the current Zoning ordinance, the Zoning regulations and the District Zoning Map; all to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garden City, Kansas.

Commissioner Dick moved to approve. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved an ordinance rezoning property from "L-R" Low-Density Residential District (Finney County) to "R-1" Single-Family Residential District for property generally located at Jennie Barker Road and Mary Street, Garden City, Kansas.

1. Ordinance No. 2889- 2021, an ordinance approving the rezoning of land from "L-R" Low Density Residential District to "R-1" Single-Family Residential district; amending the Zoning Ordinance, the Zoning Regulations, and the District Zoning Map of the City; repealing the current Zoning ordinance, the Zoning regulations and the District Zoning Map; all to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garden City, Kansas.

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve. Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved a 30-day extension of Ordinance No. 2884-2020, requiring the wearing of face coverings in the City of Garden City.

Commissioner Dick moved to approve. Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Dick, Oyler, Unruh

Nays: Cessna, Ortiz

The Governing Body considered a fee model for Garden Rapids at the Big Pool.

Mayor Cessna moved to approve the \$5.00 fee model. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Commissioner Dick moved to approve the \$1.00 fee model. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the "\$3.00" fee model as listed below with additional revenue to go to debit service and future expansion for Garden Rapids at the Big Pool for the 2021 season.

Daily Passes	
Per person	\$3.00
20 Punches – Punch Card	
One card	\$48.00
Annual Passes	
Per Person	\$77.00
Family of Four (each additional person for \$20.00)	\$174.00

Commissioner Oyler seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Nays: Cessna

The Governing Body considered and approved appointing Ann Case to fill the remainder of a vacant term ending December 31, 2022 on the Parks and Tree Board.

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved appointing Ashley Lee to serve a three-year term from January 2021 - December 31, 2023 on the Local Housing Authority Board.

Commissioner Oyler moved to approve. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

Commissioner Ortiz moved to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Dick seconded the motion. The vote was taken by yeas and nays and recorded as follows:

Ayes: Cessna, Dick, Ortiz, Oyler, Unruh

The Governing Body considered and approved the Conduit Purchase Agreement with PGB Fiber in the amount of \$14,000.

The Governing Body considered and approved the contractor licenses for January 5, 2020

Mayor Unruh adjourned the meeting since there was no further business before the Governing Body.

Roy Cessna, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celyn N. Hurtado, City Clerk

A. Commissioner Ortiz wished everyone a Happy New Year and hopes this year will be a great one! Commissioner Ortiz stated he listened to the Finney County Commission meeting and learned there has been lots of progress they have dealt with this past year with relief programs for citizens and

congratulated them on a successful year. Commissioner Ortiz thanked the City for their efforts for assisting citizens with the utility payment credit. Commissioner Ortiz stated there is still money out there for assistance. Commissioner Ortiz thanked Commissioner for the clear motions and seconds.

B. Commissioner Oyler wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated 2021 will be better. Commissioner Oyler thanked the City for the donation to Finney County United Way and stated funds will be available for utility bills and to contact their offices for assistance. Commissioner Oyler stated if anyone is in need of assistance to contact Finney County United Way, Salvation Army or the Emmaus House or they can call 211. Commissioner Oyler commented she is excited for Garden Rapids at the Big Pool to open and is happy to keep the fees at an affordable price for the community.

C. Commissioner Dick thanked Mayor Unruh for his year of service as Mayor and congratulated Mayor Cessna. Commissioner Dick stated the recent sales tax numbers have been the highest they have ever been in Garden City and that's a good thing. Commissioner Dick thanked health professionals for all the work they have done this year and continue to do and asked others to make sure to show your appreciation.

D. Commissioner Unruh thanked the Commissioners for his time as 2020 Mayor and congratulated Mayor Cessna and Vice Mayor Dick. Commissioner Unruh shared that the C O VID Care bags are a great help to the community. Commissioner Unruh wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated he is excited for 2021. Commissioner Unruh stated that the sales tax report was great to see and if you shopped the week of Christmas you could see that the shelves were empty. Commissioner Unruh stated there is still \$250,000 in funds available at through the Convention and Tourism Bureau and to contact them if you need assistance.

E. Mayor Cessna thanked Commissioner Unruh for his service as Mayor. Mayor Cessna thanked the city staff for their donations to Finney County United Way and St. Catherine employees.