

Kingman, Kansas  
October 26, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Harrel called the meeting to order on Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 7:00pm at the City of Kingman meeting room. The meeting was also available via Zoom. Commissioners Wollen, McFarland, Hacker, and Wallace was present. Also present were Manager Graffman, Attorney Smith, Chief Lux, Chief Rhodes, Tom Archer, Tim Goldston, Leslie Schrag, and Clerk Bieghler.

Commissioner Wollen opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA:** Motion made by Wollen, seconded by McFarland to approve the agenda. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**MINUTES:** Motion made by Wallace, seconded by Hacker to approve the minutes. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**BILLS PAYABLE:** Motion made by Hacker, seconded by Wallace to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$601,031.41. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Jerry Henning provided public comment regarding city support for the US 54 Highway bypass project, in which the city commissioners and Manager Graffman addressed.

**APPOINTMENTS:** Mr. Archer proposed the establishment of an "Access Advisory Committee", who would advise the city on topics regarding general access for the disabled. Mr. Archer also presented a roster of volunteers who are willing to serve on the committee.

Motion made by Wollen, seconded by McFarland to approve the establishment of the "Access Advisory Committee" and to approve the following individuals to serve on the committee as presented by Mr. Archer: Angie Lampe, Jason Hepburn, Tricia Goetz, Anita Drake, and Janae Wagner. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT:** Ms. Schrag reports reviewed data from the from a wage study, housing costs, and RGP, which she received at a economic outlook conference. Schrag also updated city commissioners on the two meetings that she attended in Newton and Wichita regarding the US Highway 54 Bypass project and reports that the Kingman project was identified as a "Top Priority" at both meetings.

**RECESS:** Motion made by Wallace, seconded by McFarland to recess the regular city commission meeting and to open a Kingman Landbank meeting. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Harrel resumes the general city commission meeting at 7:40pm.

**ORDINANCE #2113 – DELINQUENCY & DISCONNECTS:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 15-103 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN CONCERNING NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY AND DISCONNECTION OF UTILITY SERVICE was read, considered and upon motion of Hacker, seconded by Wollen, it voted with the following vote:

AYE: Harrel, Wallace, McFarland, Wollen, and Hacker

Nay: None

A majority of the commission voted in favor it was given Ordinance #2113 and ordered signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and ordered to be published in the official newspaper.

**ORDINANCE #2114 – INITIATION OF UTILITY SERVICES BY CORPORATE ENTITIES:** AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 15-111(i) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN RELATED TO THE INITIATION OF UTILITY SERVICES BY CORPORATE ENTITIES was read, considered and upon motion of Wollen, seconded by McFarland, it voted with the following vote:

AYE: Harrel, Wallace, McFarland, Wollen, and Hacker

NAY: None

A majority of the commission voted in favor it was given Ordinance #2114 and ordered signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and ordered to be published in the official newspaper.

**ORDINANCE #2115 – WATER LEAK:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 15-214 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN RELATED TO WATER LEAKS was read, considered and upon motion of Hacker, seconded by Wallace, it voted with the following vote:

AYE: Harrel, Wallace, McFarland, Wollen, and Hacker

NAY: None

A majority of the commission voted in favor it was given Ordinance #2115 and ordered signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and ordered to be published in the official newspaper.

**ORDINANCE #2116 – STOP SIGN:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-206 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN TO DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL STOP INTERSECTIONS AT CHARITON AND “E” AVENUE AND CHARITON AND “F” AVENUE AND WASHINGTON AND PINE, WITHIN THE CITY OF KINGMAN, KANSAS was read, considered and upon motion of Wollen, seconded by Hacker, it voted with the following vote:

AYE: Harrel, Wallace, McFarland, Wollen, and Hacker

NAY: None

A majority of the commission voted in favor it was given Ordinance #2116 and ordered signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and ordered to be published in the official newspaper.

**ORDINANCE #2117 – EMERGENCY UTILITY PAYMENT EXTENSIONS:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 15-103A OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN, KANSAS CONCERNING EMERGENCY UTILITY PAYMENT EXTENSIONS was read, considered and upon motion of Wollen, seconded by McFarland, it voted with the following vote:

AYE: Harrel, Wallace, McFarland, Wollen, and Hacker

NAY: None

A majority of the commission voted in favor it was given Ordinance #2117 and ordered signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and ordered to be published in the official newspaper.

**ORDINANCE #2118 – YIELD SIGNS:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-207 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN TO REMOVE YIELD INTERSECTIONS AT CHARITON AND “E” AVENUE AND CHARITON AND “F” AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF KINGMAN, KANSAS, TO REPLACE THE YIELD SIGNS AT SAME LOCATIONS WITH STOP SIGNS, AND TO REMOVE WASHINGTON AND PINE YIELDS SIGNS FROM THE ORDINANCE AS THEY WERE REPLACED WITH STOP SIGNS was read, considered and upon motion of Wollen, seconded by Wallace, it voted with the following vote:

AYE: Harrel, Wallace, McFarland, Wollen, and Hacker

NAY: None

A majority of the commission voted in favor it was given Ordinance #2118 and ordered signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and ordered to be published in the official newspaper.

**Electrical Journeyman Education Policy:** Mr. Graffman presented a policy that increases the wages of individuals to gain various certifications of journeyman for those pursuing such education.

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Motion made by Hacker, seconded by Wollen to approve the policy as written. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**EMS Fee Schedule:** EMS Chief Rhodes proposed an updated fee schedule to raise base charges by 5% as well as the cost of CPR education.

Motion made by Wallace, seconded by Hacker to approve the EMS Fee Schedule as presented. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**Transportation Grant:** Mr. Graffman presented three letters of support needed for the KDOT Public Transportation Grant.

Motion made by McFarland, seconded by Wollen for the Mayor to sign the three letters of support for the transportation grant. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**KPP Energy Solar Project:** Mr. Graffman shared a proposal from the KPP and KMA, who is pursuing USDA funding for solar farms. KPP would like to place these solar farms in production cities. The City Commission discussed a few possible sites within Kingman for these solar farms. The City Commission discusses the need of a feasibility study on the area in the water springs area and the Kingman Airport. No action was taken.

**US 54 Highway Support Letter:** Graffman presented a draft letter of support for the US 54 Highway Bypass project.

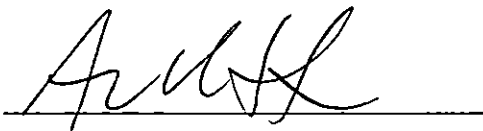
Motion made by Hacker, seconded by McFarland to sign and send the letter of support to the KDOT Secretary for the US 54 Highway project. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

**Administrative Report:** Engine #9 at the power plant is undergoing repairs. The city is replacing a door at the Kingman Armory. The Kingman Fire Department is replacing some fire hoses and fire personnel have been fitted for new bunker gear with the bunker gear being paid for by a trust donation. Lochner has provided drawings of the new proposed building at the Kingman Airport to the FAA for approval.

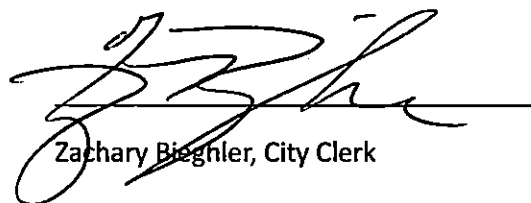
**Commissioner Comments:** There was a complaint about the music downtown being played too loud and in the overnight hours. 17 street lights are noted to be out along D Ave and Main Streets. The walking path in Riverside Park is looking nice with its new lighting. Questions were asked about the enforcement of J-Turns on Main Street. The Kingman Historic Theater was praised for their work in bringing in numerous concerts.

There being no further business upon motion of Hacker, seconded by McFarland, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56pm. Motion declared carried by unanimous vote.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Adrian Harrel, Mayor



Zachary Biegler, City Clerk