

**EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**October 16, 2006**

The El Dorado City Commission met in regular session on October 16, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Brian D. Shepherd, Commissioner Linda Clark, Commissioner Michael A. Fagg, Commissioner Steve Pershall, Commissioner Steve Reynolds, City Manager Herbert E. Llewellyn Jr., Refuse Superintendent Brad Meyer, and City Clerk Kendra Porter.

**VISITORS**

Chuck Bouilly	Geo. K. Baum & Co.	Wichita, Kansas
Judy Slayton	806 Skyview	El Dorado, Kansas
Steve Hysom	1740 W. Third	El Dorado, Kansas
Rebecca & Megan Morris	519 W. Fourth	El Dorado, Kansas
Jan Bohannon	525 N. Arthur	El Dorado, Kansas
Karla Duran	414 N. Alleghany	El Dorado, Kansas
Patricia Castleman	1408 W. Cave Springs	El Dorado, Kansas
Glen & Candy Silbaugh	615 N. Star	El Dorado, Kansas
Jo Peterson	1830 Kendrick	El Dorado, Kansas
James Cook	719 Fredrick Dr.	El Dorado, Kansas
Gerald Watson	125 N. Summit	El Dorado, Kansas
Carl D. Andrews	1730 Cottonwood Dr.	El Dorado, Kansas
Larry Adams	1756 W. Third	El Dorado, Kansas
Daryl Burnham	1012 N. Denver	El Dorado, Kansas
Ron Eisenbise	501 W. Towanda	El Dorado, Kansas

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Brian D. Shepherd called the October 16, 2006, City Commission meeting to order.

**INVOCATION**

The Reverend Steve Hysom, Trinity United Methodist Church, opened the meeting with prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Slayton’s Third Grade Class from Lincoln Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) Consider approval of the October 2, 2006, City Commission minutes.

Commissioner Linda Clark moved that the Consent Agenda, as presented, be approved.

Commissioner Steve Pershall seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

**DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED REFUSE RATE INCREASE**

Refuse Superintendent Brad Meyer stated that due to Butler County Landfill increasing their rates the last three years along with rising fuel costs, City Staff is proposing a 12% rate increase for residential and commercial refuse customers. Mr. Meyer further stated that this is necessary to provide sufficient revenues to pay for the costs of the operation of the refuse collection system; the last City refuse rate increase was approved in 2003.

Commissioner Clark questioned if an additional bag of trash each week could be allowed with the proposed increase.

Refuse Superintendent Brad Meyer stated that adding a third bag would have additional costs; however, if the City eliminated the delivery of black trash bags, it would help to detour the increase for fourteen months. Mr. Meyer further stated that the proposed changes would allow the City to continue to deliver recycle bags. With this proposal, the two bag limit would still be in effect with the possibility of a larger bag being allowed.

Discussion ensued amongst the commissioners regarding the refuse increase. The consensus of the Commissioners was to allow a public hearing and to invite the citizens of El Dorado to express their concerns at the next City Commission meeting.

**GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS – SETTING THE SALE DATE**

City Manager Herb Llewellyn stated that Staff is prepared for the sale of General Obligation Bonds in the amount not to exceed \$4,570,000.00. This provides long-term funding for 23 capital improvement projects in the City. The following resolution sets the sale date as Monday, November 6, 2006. City Manager Herb Llewellyn further stated that the second motion authorizes the City's financial advisor, George K. Baum & Company, to submit a bid or participate in the bidding of these bonds.

Commissioner Michael Fagg questioned the interest rate of the projects that have already been placed on the tax roll.

Chuck Bouilly, representing George K. Baum and Company, stated that the interest rates were estimated and will be adjusted for the remaining years.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2559**

Commissioner Steve Pershall moved to approve Resolution No. 2559, a resolution of the City of El Dorado, Kansas, authorizing and providing for the public sale of the City's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006, in an amount not to exceed \$4,570,000.00; setting forth the details of said public sale; and proving for the giving of notice thereof.

Commissioner Linda Clark seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Steve Pershall moved to authorize the City Manger to sign a document providing the City of El Dorado's consent for George K. Baum & Company to submit a bid &/or participate in the underwriting of the 2006 General Obligation Bond issue dated November 1, 2006.

Commissioner Steve Reynolds seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mayor Brian Shepherd opened the floor for the Commissioners' comments.

Commissioner Steve Pershall questioned the time frame on the wetlands at the new Wastewater Treatment plant.

City Manager Herb Llewellyn stated that the last completion date he received from the contractor was the end of December or the first part of January.

Commissioner Steve Reynolds recognized Main Street Inc., and the En Plein Air Art Festival. Commissioner Reynolds also commended the Department Heads on their participation in the employee breakfast on October 13, 2006.

Commissioner Michael Fagg inquired who would receive revenue if the Sheriff department writes a traffic citation in the city limits.

City Manager Herb Llewellyn stated that he assumed it would go to District Court and not Municipal Court.

Commissioner Fagg requested an update on the Airport meeting.

Commissioner Steve Pershall stated that information was provided to the Commissioners and will be reviewed.

Mayor Brian Shepherd updated everyone on the Holiday Inn project.

Mayor Shepherd closed the discussion item section.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Brian Shepherd opened the floor for public comments.

Carl Andrews, 1730 Cottonwood Drive, inquired on the possibility of contracting the trash service.

Mayor Brian Shepherd stated the City could research; however, the City should typically be able to provide a more cost effective trash service than a third party.

Jo Peterson, 1830 Kendrick, thanked Commissioner Steve Pershall, Commissioner Steve Reynolds, and City Manager Herb Llewellyn for meeting with her today, however, felt like the meeting was unproductive. Copies of the questions were provided prior to the meeting but few answers were given. Ms. Peterson further stated that she will provide a summary of the meeting to the Commissioners.

Gerald Watson, 125 North Summit, stated his concerns with the Airport.

Discussion was held amongst the Commissioners, City Manager Herb Llewellyn, Jo Peterson, and Gerald Watson regarding the airport issues. The consensus of the Commission was to put this issue on the November 20, 2006, agenda.

Ron Eisenbise, 501 West Towanda, questioned the number of trash bags that could be placed in a dumpster. Mr. Eisenbise further stated that citizens should be allowed one extra bag.

Larry Adams, 1756 West Third, suggested that the airport should be privatized.

Darryl Burnham, 1012 North Denver, questioned the progress of the sewer problems on North Denver.

City Manager Herb Llewellyn stated that according to his records; there has not been a sewer problem at 1012 North Denver.

Mayor Brian Shepherd advised Mr. Burnham that the issue will be addressed and keep him updated.

Mayor Brian Shepherd closed the public comments section.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

1. City Manager Herb Llewellyn stated that Richard Wormser, outside City limits representative, resigned from the Planning Commission.
2. City Manager Herb Llewellyn suggested placing a yield sign at the intersection of Cave Springs and Washington to help control traffic accidents. The consensus of the Commission was to place a yield sign at the intersection and review at a later date.
3. City Manager Herb Llewellyn suggested a City Commissioner attend the Stadium Complex meetings. Mayor Brian Shepherd stated that this member should report back to the rest of the Commissioners.
4. City Manager Herb Llewellyn stated that he will schedule a retreat for this week or next.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Brian Shepherd stated that this item is for the purpose of discussing confidential data relating to the financial affairs or trade secrets of second parties.

Commissioner Linda Clark moved to recess into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing confidential data relating to the financial affairs or trade secrets of second parties, and to reconvene the regularly scheduled meeting in the City Commission room at 10:00 p.m.

Commissioner Steve Pershall seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Shepherd reconvened the meeting at 10:15 p.m., and stated that no official decisions were made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Steve Pershall moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Commissioner Steve Reynolds seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

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City Clerk Kendra Porter

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Mayor Brian D. Shepherd