



**Abilene City Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**Abilene Public Library – 209 NW Fourth Street**  
**January 10, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.**  
**Abilene, Kansas**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call** – City Commission Present: Mayor Rein, Commissioners Marshall, and Witt. Absent: Commissioner Ostermann and Shafer.

Staff Present: City Manager Marsh, Human Resources Director/City Clerk Mohr, Finance Director Rothchild, City Attorney Martin, Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Roller-Weeks, Parks and Recreation Director Timbrook, Fire Chief Strunk, Police Chief Hatter, Planning and Zoning Director Zook and Public Works Director Schrader.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**City Commission Installation**

**4. Oath of Office to Commissioners-Elect**

City Clerk Mohr gave the Oath of Office to newly elected Commissioners John Kollhoff, Wendy Miller, and Trevor Witt.

**5. Mayor and Vice Mayor Selection**

Dee Marshall moved into the Mayor position. Trevor Witt is Vice-Mayor.

**Consent Agenda**

- 6. Agenda Approval for the January 10, 2022, City Commission Meeting**
- 7. Meeting minutes: December 27, 2021, Regular Meeting**
- 8. Approval of 2022 Board Appointments**

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Rein to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Rein YES, Kollhoff YES, Miller YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

### **Public Comments and Communications**

9. Persons who wish to address the City Commission may do so when called upon by the Mayor.

There were no public comments or communications.

### **Old and New Business**

10. Consider approval of a bid from Valor Automotive and KA-Comm for the purchase of a 2022 Ford Explorer Interceptor and a 2022 Ford F-150 Police Response Vehicle and installation of police equipment in both vehicles in the total amount of \$65,854.06.

Motion by Commissioner Kollhoff, seconded by Commissioner Witt to approve a bid from Valor Automotive and KA-Comm for the purchase of a 2022 Ford Explorer Interceptor and a 2022 Ford F-150 Police Response Vehicle and the installation of police equipment in both vehicles in the total amount of \$65,854.06. Roll call vote: Rein YES, Kollhoff YES, Miller YES, Witt YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

11. Consider approval of a bid from J & K Contracting, L.C. for the 2022 Waterline Construction Project in the amount of \$85,746.10.

Motion by Commissioner Witt, seconded by Commissioner Rein to approve a bid from J & K Contracting, L.C. for the completion of the 2022 Waterline Construction Project in the amount of \$85,746.10 and the purchase of materials for the project with a total project cost not to exceed \$162,000.00. Roll call vote: Rein YES, Witt YES, Miller YES, Kollhoff YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

### **Reports**

#### **12. City Manager reports**

Construction on the Police Department remodel continues. We had a status meeting with the architect and general contractor on January 4<sup>th</sup> to review progress, walk through the project and discuss some change orders.

Our new police officer, Amanda Wilson started KLETC on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. She should graduate in April.

The new School Resource Officer, Kris Kobiskie started his on January 4<sup>th</sup>. Kris is new to this role but not a new officer to the Abilene Police Department.

Construction on Well #23 continues. We are currently waiting on electrical parts to continue.

The Fire Department has filled their two open positions. Starting the first of the year they have moved to 3 person shifts. With a minimum of 2 personnel required per shift, this should help with overtime and other coverage issues.

The Public Works Department did a phenomenal job with the snow removal process during the two separate snow events last week. They treat and clear all emergency snow routes, identified secondary routes, the downtown area, and a route to the schools. A total of 51.71 lane miles are treated and cleared during storm events.

There is flyer at your seat with upcoming events sponsored by the League of Kansas Municipalities. If you are interested in attending, please let Shayla or I know so we can get you registered. January 26<sup>th</sup> is local government day; this is a good time to meet with our state representatives. The one in April is a good one for new commissioners as it covers the Kansas Open Meetings Act as well as other topics.

### **Adjournment**

#### **13. Consideration of a motion to adjourn the January 10, 2022, City Commission meeting.**

Motion by Commissioner Rein, seconded by Commissioner Witt to adjourn at 4:13 p.m. Roll call vote: Witt YES, Rein YES, Miller YES, Kollhoff YES, Marshall YES. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

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Dee Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Shayla L. Mohr  
City Clerk