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## **HOLDEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, February 15, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Hallar Building (City Hall) 101 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Holden, MO 64040

Mayor Briscoe called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The Mayor asked the body to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation; with the invocation being led by Reverend Whitmore.

Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call of the council immediately following invocation. As follows:

McDaniel	Present	Pemberton	Present
Miller	Present	Getz	Present
Mensch	Present	<i>Vacant</i>	
Fields	Present	Mallory	Present

Also in attendance was Police Chief Mayhew, Fire Chief Wakeman, and Street Superintendent Robb.

Mayor Briscoe brought the council's attention to the minutes of the January 18, 2024, City Council Meeting. He called for a motion to approve. There were no edits, corrections, or additional information. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Getz and seconded by Councilman Mensch, the minutes were approved.

The closed session minutes of January 18 and 30, 2024. were deferred to the following closed session for approval.

Mayor Briscoe brought the council's attention to the minutes of the January 30, 2024, Special City Council Meeting. He called for a motion to approve. There were no edits, corrections, or additional information. Upon a motion by Councilman Mensch and seconded by Councilman Miller, the minutes were approved.

Mayor Briscoe asked for a motion to approve the appropriations/expenditures presented at the Finance & Budget Committee Meeting. Upon a motion by Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilwoman Mallory, the appropriations/expenditures were approved.

Next the Mayor called upon the public speakers who requested time for comment.

1. Citizen Jack Leary (607 St. Charles Street) states that there are several new homes being built on St. Charles Street that has causes a mess of mud and big trucks parking in the street. Between the winter weather, mud, and big trucks pot holes are a concern and Jack hopes the city will fix this issue. The Mayor informed Jack that the street crew and the city engineer have been informed and they are to continue to keep a watch on this issue.

Community Organization updates were given by Jack Leary, Chamber of Commerce member. The St. Patrick's Day parade will be held March 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm. Jack wants this to be the best parade Holden has had to date. He has contacted the fire department, police department and the VFW color guard requesting their participation. He has also gotten the Spider Bikes from Kansas City, the Holden High School band and approximately 6 other floats to join in participation.

Mayor Briscoe introduced the next Executive Assistant, Kim Goodfellow. The Mayor gave recognition to Fran Yoder's passing and proclamation. He also stated that the city's new website was still in prototype mode but was close to completion and he is looking forward to launching the new site. Mr. Briscoe acknowledged and thanked all who have been involved in the comprehensive plan.

Police Chief Mayhew provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Mayhew reported: Incident reports – 24; Misdemeanors – 8; Felonies – 2; Warrant arrest – 0; Domestic – 4; Miscellaneous reports – 5; Agency assist – 2; MVC – 2; Juvenile – 1; Fire assist – 0; Traffic Summons – 58; Traffic Warning – 23. For Codes/Animal Control: Codes cases – 104; Animal At Large/ License – 4; Vicious Animal – 0; Nuisance – 24; Business – 1.

Fire Chief Wakeman provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Engine 211 will need to have three pump gauges replaced and will need an oil change, scheduled for March. Engine 212 needs an oil change as well, scheduled for March.

Street Superintendent Joe Robb provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. The road for the city lake has been grated and the light poles are ready for install. These poles will be used to add solar lighting and possibly cameras in the future. He also reported that the pot hole patcher has had some maintenance done and is back up and running.

The Board of Public Works provided the written minutes from the BPW meeting. Their minutes reflect that there have been several water main breaks, the first deadline for the Federal lead and copper rule is approaching soon, there will be a purchase of new and renewal of phase monitors, and that the project work on the WWTF has begun but weather has not been cooperative in allowing a lot of progress.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Budget, Finance & Administration Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated that there is still a long list of items on their upcoming agenda. With a new item being added, looking at the room rental rates for the Hallar Building.

Councilman Miller reported for Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Miller stated that they are looking into the 2024-2025 hot mix and chip seal programs for additional road improvements.

Councilman Mensch reported for Community Development Committee. Mr. Mensch stated that there are six docks ready for pickup and installation. He also thanked the Johnson County Road District for grating the lake roads.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Public Safety Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated that there was a meet and greet with the Chief of Police and Chief of Fire for the General Obligation Bond.

Councilwoman Getz reported for Public Parks and Recreation Committee. Ms. Getz stated that there have been two sealed bids turned in for the mowing bid at the park. The Park Board plans to open the bids at their March meeting. Board member John Ferguson has been working on a grant for a walking trail at the park. The ballfield contract with the Holden Sports Association has been signed and returned.

Councilwoman Mallory reported for Economic and Industrial Development Committee. Ms. Mallory stated that they are working on a grant for the industrial park and that Mr. Enneking, owner of the parking lot on the corner of Olive St and 2<sup>nd</sup> St (HWY 131 and HWY 58), had come to the planning

and zoning meeting. He was expressing his interest in putting a fence around his property and wanted to present his plans to the planning commission.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R24-05 Park Board Appointments and called for a motion. The Mayor stated that deciding how to do the appointments was a tough decision and that only time will tell if this new Board structure will be a change for the better. Upon a motion by Councilman Miller and a second by Councilwoman Mallory, the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then brought the body's attention to Resolution No. R24-06 MoDOT Funding Agreement; TAP-3400(452) and called for a motion. The Mayor stated that this was a financial agreement between the City and MoDOT for the sidewalk project that the City has recently been approved for. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Getz and a second by Councilman McDaniel, the motion passed.

Mayor Briscoe then moved to Bill No. 02-01-24 Dana F. Cole and Company Auditor Engagement Letter, did the first reading and called for a motion. Upon a motion by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilman McDaniel, the motion passed. With no discussion, Mayor Briscoe then did the second reading and called for a motion. Upon a motion by Councilman McDaniel and a second by Councilwoman Fields, Mayor Briscoe asked for a roll call vote.

McDaniel	Yes	Pemberton	Yes
Miller	Yes	Getz	Yes
Mensch	Yes	<i>Vacant</i>	
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

Bill No. 02-01-24 Dana F. Cole and Company Auditor Engagement Letter passed.

The Mayor then turned to the trash disposal service discussion. The City's current trash service provider has been problematic with their billing. The treasurer has contacted the company on multiple occasions and the billing issues have still not been resolved. Their rates have also increased by 25% in this last billing cycle. The treasurer has received bids from other companies. Councilman Miller made a motion for the Mayor and treasurer to continue to develop a contract with Junk Ems at the price the company has bid. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fields. The motion passed.

The Mayor then turned to the upcoming tractor pull contract with Missouri State Tractor Pull Association (MSTPA). The Holden Street Fair dates have changed this year, making the fair and the tractor pull the same weekend. The brush pullers are no longer a part of the MSTPA. With these two issues, Councilwoman Fields feels this will not make the city enough money to pay the tractor pull contract. Councilman McDaniel suggests trying to get a new date for the pull, and Councilman Pemberton advised that there are other pulling associations that the city could look into. The tractor pull working group will have a meeting to discuss their options.

Mayor Briscoe then called for a motion to enter closed session. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Miller, the Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

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Entering closed session for real estate, legal actions, specifications for competitive bidding, and sealed bids and related documents passed.

Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion by Councilwoman Getz and a second by Councilman Pemberton, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07PM.

Council Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ray Briscoe, Mayor

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Sarah Yager, City Clerk

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