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HOLDEN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 20, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Hallar Building (City Hall) 101 W 3rd Street Holden, MO 64040

Mayor Pro Tem James McDaniel called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Mr. McDaniel asked the body to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation; with the invocation being led by Mr. McDaniel.

Mr. McDaniel asked for a roll call of the council immediately following invocation. As follows:

McDaniel	Present	Pemberton	Present
Miller	Present	Barwick	Present
Mensch	Present	Goodfellow	Present
Fields	Present	Mallory	Present

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

Mayor Pro Tem McDaniel brought the council's attention to the minutes of the January 16, 2025, City Council Meeting. He called for a motion to approve. There were no edits, corrections, or additional information. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and seconded by Councilman Mensch, the minutes were approved.

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

Community Organization updates Selena Garten, The Phoenix Network, and a representative from Johnson County Prevention Coalition spoke on programs and opportunities to bring knowledge of drug use and addiction to the city. Selena stated that she has been working with the Chief of Police to do a second fentanyl awareness and prevention forum. The Fentanyl Forum: Part 2 will be hosted at Covenant Church on April 3, 2025, at 6:30pm.

Police Chief Mayhew provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Mayhew reported: Incident reports – 40; Misdemeanors – 12; Felonies – 6; Warrant arrest – 4; Domestic – 0; Miscellaneous reports – 9; Agency assist – 1; MVC – 2; Juvenile – 4; CIT – 1; Traffic Summons – 73; Traffic Warning – 70. For Codes/Animal Control: Codes cases – 19; Animal At Large/ License – 0; Vicious Animal – 0; Nuisance – 4; Business – 0; Illegal burn – 0.

Fire Chief Wakeman provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Chief Wakeman reported: Fire incidents – 13; Rescue/EMS incidents – 19. Engine 211 has no current maintenance issues. This pumper will be replaced with the new bond. Engine 212 has no current maintenance issues. Brush 215 has no current maintenance issues. Car 200 has no current maintenance issues.

Street Superintendent Joe Robb provided a written report as well as delivered his report in the meeting. Weekly maintenance, culvert installations, and large equipment maintenance. He also reported that the bids for new equipment were opened and a decision will be made in the near future.

Park Director Tami Mallory provided a written report as well as delivered her report in the meeting. She reported that a prefabricated shed has been placed on property for more storage, and that the Park will be installing a better lock and security camera to monitor the shed. She also reported that the Park has two upcoming projects out for bid – concrete in front of the Coon Hunter’s building, and installing a 6-foot commercial chain link fence around the basketball court. Easter in the Park will be April 12th from 2-4pm; Spark in the Park will be July 12th.

The Board of Public Works provided the written minutes from the BPW meeting. Their minutes reflect that their plant was winterized and shallow meters were insulated in preparation for the upcoming winter storm. The water department is also working on a strategy to get the word out to customers about an application called “Eye on Water”. This app can help customers know how much and when water is being used inside their homes. No water/sewer issues have been reported.

The Board of Public Works provided the written minutes from the BPW meeting. Their minutes reflect that their audit went well, there was a water main break on North Lexington Street, and that two of the three companies contacted about submitting a preliminary proposal have been on site for a plant tour.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Budget, Finance & Administration Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated the bids for the generator installation project have been turned in and will be discussed soon. It was also stated that Councilmen Goodfellow and McDaniel had a tour of the Police Department. They say the construction is moving along nicely.

Councilman Miller reported for Public Works and Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Miller stated that there was no meeting this month, and that the committee was waiting for a response from the City Engineer on the 14th Street stormwater project.

Councilman McDaniel reported for Public Safety Committee. Mr. McDaniel stated that the speed survey study for the South edge of town on Lexington Street (Hwy 131) was conducted done by MoDOT. The results show that the speed limit does not need to be changed. Mr. McDaniel also stated that the Missouri state statutes have changed in regards to marijuana and cell phone use while driving. The committee will begin working toward updating the city ordinances that involve these state statute changes.

Councilman Mensch reported for Public Parks and Recreation Committee. Mr. Mensch stated that there was currently nothing to report.

Councilwoman Mallory reported for Economic, Industrial, and Community Development Committee. Ms. Mallory stated that the owner of the mobile home park would like to add parking spaces for RVs, and that there is an interested party looking to purchase Jamie’s Place but has inquired about adding living quarters to the building. Both items will be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem then brought the body’s attention to Resolution No. R25-03 Appoint Becky Handley to Board of Parks and Recreation and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilman Miller the motion passed.

Mayor Pro Tem then moved to Bill No. 02-01-25 Junkems contract, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Mallory, there was some discussion about the bill and service agreement not matching. There was a motion by Councilwoman Fields to amend the dollar amount listed on the bill to match the dollar amount listed in the service agreement. The motion was seconded by

Councilman Goodfellow. The motion passed. Mr. McDaniel did the first reading of the amended bill and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Pemberton, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor Pro Tem then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilman Mensch and a second by Councilwoman Fields, Mayor Pro Tem asked for a roll call vote.

McDaniel	Yes	Pemberton	Yes
Miller	Yes	Barwick	Yes
Mensch	Yes	Goodfellow	Yes
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

Bill No. 02-01-25 Junkems contract passed as amended.

Mayor Pro Tem then moved to Bill No. 02-02-25 Prosecuting attorney contract, did the first reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Miller, the motion passed. With no discussion, the Mayor Pro Tem then did the second reading and called for a motion to approve. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch, Mayor Pro Tem asked for a roll call vote.

McDaniel	Yes	Pemberton	Yes
Miller	Yes	Barwick	Yes
Mensch	Yes	Goodfellow	Yes
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

Bill No. 02-02-25 Prosecuting attorney contract passed.

The Dollar Tree/Family Dollar has requested a change in their liquor license. Their current license is for malt liquor and light wine without Sunday sales. They have requested to upgrade to include intoxicating liquor and Sunday sales. Mayor Pro Tem has called for a motion to approve the amendment. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Mallory and seconded by Councilman Goodfellow, the motion passed.

The Board of Public Works, BPW, along with O & M Enterprises has asked Council to reconsider their request for reimbursement from a bill to design the Wastewater Treatment Facility, WWTF. The WWTF funding was approved by the City Council to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) moneys and from the city's budget (instead of the BPW budget) in two separate ordinances. The design bill in question was paid for out of the BPW budget, before council voted to approve the city funding the WWTF project. After much discussion and trying to understand the request of the BPW and O & M Enterprises, Councilman Mensch motioned to pay the BPW for the reimbursement of the design billing for the WWTF in the amount of \$14,725. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fields. The motion passed. Councilman Miller asked for a roll call vote for clarity.

McDaniel	Yes	Pemberton	Yes
Miller	Yes	Barwick	Yes
Mensch	Yes	Goodfellow	Yes
Fields	Yes	Mallory	Yes

The motion to pay the BPW for the reimbursement of the design billing for the WWTF in the amount of \$14,725 passed.

The Mayor Pro Tem called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With the motion so moved by Councilwoman Fields and a second by Councilman Mensch, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM.

Council Approved: _____

Ray Briscoe, Mayor

Sarah Claxton, City Clerk

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