



**PROPERTY DONATION TO THE CITY.** First Option Bank has offered to donate two properties to the City. The sites at 100 Walnut and 308 Reed are good sites for infill housing. Motion made by Maichel, seconded by LaDuex to approve the donations of property. Yeas: All.

**BID AWARD - PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT.** Last month bids were received bids for playground equipment at the Sports Complex. The bids include all equipment, mulch, play area border, but not installation. The bids received were:

	Item a.	Item b.	Item c.	Total
ATHCO	---	---	---	\$41,674.00
AB Creative	\$32,735	\$34,897	\$38,768	---
Fry	---	---	---	\$37,774.78
Play Power	\$40,920	\$41,602	---	---

The Parks & Recreation Committee was tasked with reviewing the proposals and they chose the ATHCO option. While the price was higher, the Committee believed overall design and quality of the structure was better when compared to the other options. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by Farley to approve the ATCHO bid for \$41,674. Yeas: All.

**ADVISORY BODY REORGANIZATION.**

**Charter Ordinance – Tourism Committee.** The charter ordinance is modified so that only an ordinance or resolution is needed to establish the Committee and then to make changes. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by Dickinson to approve the Charter Ordinance to reform the Tourism Committee. Yeas: Dickinson, Farley, Hampson, Hunter, LaDuex, Maichel, and Moon. Motion passed by 2/3 majority. The Charter Ordinance was assigned No. 15.

**Ordinance – Repeal Boards.** Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Hunter to approve the ordinance repealing the Housing Rehabilitation Advisory Committee and the Board of Health. Yeas: All. The Ordinance was assigned No. 3707.

**Resolution – Advisory Bodies.** Motion made by LaDuex, seconded by Hunter to approve the resolution updating the previous Advisory Bodies Resolution. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 644.

**Resolution – Historic Preservation Committee.** The Committee would assist in planning for historic preservation and providing oversight and recommendations for maintaining the City’s historic buildings. The Committee would be made up of five members each serving a two-year term. Motion made by Dickinson, seconded by Moon to approve the resolution creating a Historic Preservation Committee. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 665.

**Resolution – New Economic and Community Development Committee.** The new committee would consolidate economic and community development issues. The resolution outlines the role of the Committee and its delegating powers and responsibilities. The Committee would be made up of five members with stipulations on who they would be representing. Members would serve a two-year term with a two- term limit. Motion made by Hunter, seconded by LaDuex to approve the resolution creating an Economic and Community Development Committee. Yeas: All. The Resolution was assigned No. 666.

Council Reports:

Maichel: Would like to see snow routes in town with parking on only one side.

Hunter: Tourism Committee has been planning Railroad Day on April 20.

LaDuex: The Library will continue the pancake fundraiser the Saturday of Memorial Day and Alumni weekend.

Farley: Mulch is needed at the Sports Complex as well as a new table.

Moon: The public bleachers at the Complex need to have the panels fixed. The Chamber of Commerce came up with a solution for business owners and their employees parking downtown. One of the items the Public Safety Advisory Board discussed was that there were 2-hour parking signs downtown before the streetscape project.

Mayor's Report:

Attended the Osawatomee Legislative Breakfast in February. Thanked Chamber Executive Director Shelagh Wright for organizing the breakfast.

The Arbor Day celebration will be planting trees in John Brown Park and at the Golf Course. Along with Govea discussed the tree nursery being planned at the Golf Course.

Commented on the potholes. City Manager Cawby said the crew has been doing cold patch.

City Manager's Report:

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Projects:

**Website.** The City's website is up and running. Work is being done to get some of the new functionalities running. A press release will be issued about a soft opening of the website.

**RICE Conversion.** The RICE conversion is going slowly, but proceeding without issue.

Issues:

**Water Plant Chlorine.** There is a leak in the large 2,800 gallon chlorine tank at the water plant. A fiberglass company repaired it and it still leaked. Recommended replacing the tank with a plastic tank which should not have leak issues, should be much easier to repair, and will cost less. Looking at approximately \$20,000.

**Mini-Excavator.** In the CIP plan for 2014, staff requested \$50,000 for a mini-excavator. The main reason is so that crews can reach into small spaces that a backhoe can't. Bobcat has a municipal lease program to lease a Bobcat compact excavator for an entire year for \$6,000. If the lease is extended, the City we would get a new model each year for the same rate.

**Legislative Issues.** Attended the Miami County Intergovernmental Meeting with Senator Pat Apple and Representative Jean Vickrey present. The main issue discussed was concealed carry in public buildings. The biggest concern was the requirement to allow the public and employees to have concealed carry in local government buildings, unless full-time security and metal detectors are used.

**Basin Advisory Committee.** The City hosted the Marais des Cygne Basin Advisory Committee recently. Drought continues to be the major concern and the reservoirs in the basin, Melvern and Pomona, are in better condition than most, but still near record low levels.

**CASH FLOW REPORT.**

Motion made at 8:44 p.m. by Hunter, seconded by Dickinson to adjourn. Yeas: All.

Ann Elmquist, City Clerk