

Community Facilities Advisory Board Minutes
City Commission Chambers
Thursday, December 17, 2009
6:00 p.m.

WELCOME: Lance Nichols

ROLL CALL: Lance Nichols, Pat Shrader, Justin Banning, Jim Lembright, Ann Torrey, Rick Sowers, and Terry Williams. Ed Elam, Ford County Administrator and Ken Strobel, City Manager.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Minutes from August 6, 2009 meeting were approved on a motion by Jim Lembright, seconded by Pat Shrader. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Nannette Pogue, City Clerk presented the October 2009 and November 2009 Sales Tax Report. The Sales Tax collection is down 2.95% from this time last year. Included in the report was a spreadsheet of all Sales Tax projects since 1997.
3. The 2010 Budget was presented by Nannette Pogue, City Clerk to the board for review. The 2010 Budget is submitted for \$12,238,471.00 total expenditures. Pat Shrader moved to approve the budget, seconded by Ann Torrey. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Paul Lewis, Director of Parks and Recreation updated the board on the three LED signs that have been installed at the Civic Center, Legends Park, and the Dodge City Raceway Park. All signs are up and running. City staff is learning the computer operation for inputting information to the signs. The board asked that the brightness be lowered on the signs. The rock work that is need on the Legends Park sign has not been completed because a mason has not been located. Ann Torrey said that the height of the Legends Park sign is to low. Rick Sowers said that the height of the sign was discussed at a Joint City/County meeting and the three signs locations and heights were approved. City staff will look into the height of the Legends Park sign and report back to the board. Jim Lembright asked that the trees at the Civic Center (Central Street) be trimmed back during the spring so that the new sign can be seen.

5. The Pole Art Banner Project that Bob Lancaster, Arts and Tourism Coordinator started is near completion. A budget of \$22,500 was approved for the signs in the downtown area. It was projected that 15 of the 30 signs would have sponsors. To date, there are 21 sponsors with \$14,000 being deposited back into the account. The project should be completed in approximately 30-45 days. The board thanked Victory Electric for painting the light poles in the downtown area where the Pole Art Banners are being displayed. Pat Shrader asked where the Tourism Taskforce is on their planning. Bob said that the board should see some information from the taskforce in January 2010.
6. Election of Officers for 2010. Lance Nichols tabled the election until the next meeting. City and County attorneys will review the appointment guidelines.
7. Special Events Center update was given by Ed Elam. There will be approximately 600 geo piers in the foundation and about 300 of them are now installed. Some of the concrete has been poured for the parking lot but due to weather condition, concrete work has been delayed.

ADJOURNMENT: Ann Torrey moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Pat Shrader. The motion carried unanimously.