



City Council Meeting
October 27, 2014
7:00 p.m. Special Meeting

Councilmember Chris Donnelly opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Kara Reed, Andy Gilner, Chris Donnelly, and Bill Peak. Also in attendance were city staff Nathan McCommon, County Commissioner Dennis Bixby, Planning Commissioners Grant Watson and Steve Gumm, and USD 464 Superintendent Lyn Rantz.

Mr. McCommon summarized prior City Council conversation on defining a message from the City Council to the County Commission regarding County Resolution 2014-32, identifying the funding needs for the Leavenworth County one-percent sales tax initiative. McCommon noted that Members expressed strong disappointment with the process of the County Commission drafting its resolution to support the renewal of the county sales tax in a short time and without raising an earlier draft to the city council for discussion in a public meeting. He added that Members also felt disappointed with the adopted resolution for the fact that no specifically named project on the resolution directly benefitted Tonganoxie.

Donnelly reaffirmed the disappointment that Tonganoxie was not represented in the capital projects that were written on the County resolution. He then extended the conversation to present Members and Commissioner Bixby.

Members asked whether the County Commission would consider any amendment to its adopted resolution.

Bixby explained that the resolution is set, and that the County Commission has decided the resolution text.

Members continued to discuss various options that would encourage future dialogue about shared capital projects that both governing bodies may support.

Members agreed to return to the topic of possible shared projects at the next regular meeting.

No action taken.

Andy Gilner made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m., seconded by Kara Reed. All Ayes, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan McCommon