

**MINUTES  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
CITY HALL, 701 WASHINGTON**

Wednesday, January 20, 2016 4:00 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on January 20, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Hasch, Lambertz, Parker, Wentz, and Pounds.

Absent: None.

Other Officers: City Manager Uri, City Clerk Crum, and Finance Director Farha.

Mayor Hasch declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Visitors: Toby Nosker, Hailey Keller, Robert Frasier, Brian Isaacson, Ashley Hutchinson. Staff present: Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief.

The commission adjourned to attend the groundbreaking ceremony at the Broadway Plaza, and to tour the 330 W. 6th St. property.

They returned to a study session to discuss the future of the 330 W. 6th St. property.

At 5:30 p.m., the regular meeting reconvened.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**APPROVED**

It was noted that Commissioner Parker was absent at the last meeting, and the minutes needed to reflect that.

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2016, meeting, as amended. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #1**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve appropriation ordinance #1. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**RECREATION COMMISSION**

**APPROVED**

All recreation commission positions are now expired. Toby Nosker, Ragna Belden, Kenny Allen, and Derrick Hittle have expressed interest in continuing on the commission. Michael Hake also expressed an interest to serve. Tom Gennette recommended Michael Hake, Derrick Hittle, and Kenny Allen to two year terms, and Ragna Belden and Toby Nosker to one year terms. Thereafter, all terms will be two year terms.

Commissioner Parker moved to appoint Michael Hake, Derrick Hittle, and Kenny Allen to two year terms, and Ragna Belden and Toby Nosker to one year terms on the recreation commission. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

**APPROVED**

Mark Paul has expressed an interest in continuing to serve, and Bruno Rehbein recommended his appointment.

Commissioner Wentz moved to reappoint Mark Paul to the board of zoning appeals. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**BROADWAY PLAZA VIDEO SCREEN**

**APPROVED**

After much deliberation and study over the last several months, consensus has been to approve the purchase of the Daktronics screen from Apple 1 Media. The company reduced the price from \$161,286.00 to \$159,786.00 if paid 100% up front. City Manager Uri recommended splitting the payments rather than pay entirely up front.

Commissioner Wentz moved to authorize the purchase of the video screen for the Broadway Plaza from Apple 1 Media for \$161,286.00. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**EASY G LLC DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT GRANT**

**TABLED**

The grant would approve \$5,000.00 for signage, and a design was presented. Some commissioners were interested in seeing an updated design, as the current one includes a large metal frontage that does not keep with the downtown theme. An improved version will be brought back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Parker moved to table the Easy G LLC downtown improvement grant. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**GRASS SEEDER**

**APPROVED**

Ron Copple stated the current seeder is over 40 years old, and does not do an adequate job of planting. He recommended a four foot model from Concordia Tractor at a cost of \$7,550.00. The smaller design will allow for planting in tighter areas. The trade will go on the next Optimist sale.

Commissioner Parker moved to purchase the 2015 Landpride grass seeder from Concordia Tractor for \$7,550.00. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Uri presented a change to the current snow route language, which would allow for parking on snow routes during fair weather, rather than state there can be no parking at all during the winter months. He stated the next order of business now that the video screen has been approved is to discuss speakers. He plans to talk with Tom's Music House. City Manager Uri discussed some of the current projects, such as the dirt work at the dam and the hiking trail.

**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner Pounds asked if surveys included in the water bills could be sent to those whose bills are emailed.

Commissioner Wentz discussed ambulance revenue, and the possibility of a new dog park sign.

Commissioner Lambertz noted there is a grant for vegetation, which could be used at the south development. City Manager Uri promised to look into it.

Mayor Hasch asked how the new billing process for water bills went, during shut offs this week.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Each staff member discussed their department's projects for 2016.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, at 7:00 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

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Stacey Crum  
City Clerk