

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

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on November 16, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Hasch, Lambertz, Parker, Sacco, and Pounds.

Absent: None.

Other Officers: City Manager Uri and Finance Director Farha.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Hasch called the meeting to order.

Visitors: Toby Nosker, Brad Lowell, Robert Frasier, Shaley George, Darrel Hosie, Ashley Hutchinson. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Eric Voss, Fire Chief; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief; Tim Halfhide.

The invocation was followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Sacco moved to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2016, meeting. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #21

APPROVED

Commissioner Parker moved to approve appropriation ordinance #21. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS:

GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT COLD TURKEY DAY

The proclamation was read, and Mayor Hasch declared November 17, 2016, Great American Smokeout Cold Turkey Day.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shaley George gave an update on the Orphan Train statues. They will have 20 confirmed statues by the end of the year. Also, there is a Holiday Open House at the Orphan Train Museum on November 19 from 1:00-4:00 pm. All are invited to enjoy refreshments and have their picture taken with their pets and Santa.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri handed out pamphlets to commissioners regarding the leadership grant training in Wichita. He asked that all planning to attend let the city know by the end of the month. The Wellness and Recreation Director position and job description was discussed. City Manager Uri said he plans to advertise for the position near the end of the year. Charts displaying ambulance revenue and expense as well as billing figures were presented. City Manager Uri and Tim Halfhide discussed the wastewater treatment plant improvements. Two separate power points detailing the improvements have been put on the city website. Commissioner Sacco expressed his desire to only be fixing those items that are necessary at this time. It was determined that all items in Phase 1 are critical and need to be done. City Manager Uri will prepare a news release detailing this information for the public.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Pounds commented on an accident at 10th and Valley after speaking with one of the involved, Joe Collins. He had concerns that this was a dangerous intersection based on this accident and several previously. Ron Copple said he would get with the city engineer and the police chief to determine if something different needs to be done at that intersection.

Commissioner Lambertz expressed his love of Concordia and the community and thanked the city staff for the work they do to make it that way.

STAFF COMMENTS

Jeremy Arnold commented on the water going down the street at 11th and Hill. A contractor boring to install fiber optic hit the waterline. A locate had been done, but the line wasn't on the map. They plan to cap off that line as a project when they have the time.

Ron Copple stated that his department would begin putting up the snowflakes tomorrow.

Bruce Johnson discussed the training and configuring of the new next generation 911 equipment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS DATA

HELD

Commissioner Lambertz moved that the commission recess into executive session for fifteen (15) minutes for confidential business data. Inviting: City Manager Uri and Ashley Hutchinson. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Commissioners Hasch, Lambertz, Parker, Sacco, and Pounds.

Nay: None.

Time: 6:37 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:52 p.m.

Mayor Hasch announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

Mayor Hasch announced there would be a study session following the adjournment of the meeting.

There being no further business, at 6:53 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

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Amber Farha
Deputy City Clerk/Finance Director