

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

Wednesday, December 21, 2016

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on December 21, 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, City Clerk Crum, and Finance Director Farha.

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

Visitors: Toby Nosker, Brad Lowell, Ashley Hutchinson, Scott Tempero, Sheila Jackson, J.P. Metzler, Jason Rourke, Bill Fellows. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Eric Voss, Fire Chief; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2016, meeting. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #23

APPROVED

Commissioner Sacco moved to approve appropriation ordinance #23. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

COMMISSION REORGANIZATION:

ANNUAL COMMISSION REORGANIZATION

City Ordinance requires that the Commission annually elect one of its members to serve as mayor and preside at commission meetings and perform as official head of the City on formal occasions. An ordinance passed earlier allowed for the mayor to continue until January 9, 2017. But due to no fall elections this year, the newly added second Monday in January meeting will not start until 2018. Commissioner Pounds moved to appoint Commissioner Lambertz as mayor, for the term to begin on January 9, 2017. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried. Mayor Hasch moved that Commissioner Sacco be elected as mayor pro tem, for the term to begin on January 9, 2017. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPOINTMENTS:

HOUSING AUTHORITY

TABLED

Tammy Britt, who recently resigned as the property manager of Cloud Village, expressed interest in serving on the board. Cameron Thurner, who has served two terms, also expressed interest to be reappointed. City Manager Uri said since Ms. Thurner only turned her expression in yesterday, that perhaps the commission would prefer tabling the item until they could study both applications.

Commissioner Sacco moved to table the appointment until the January 4 meeting. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

CMB LICENSES

APPROVED

All businesses have been checked with the KBI and are approved to receive the licenses.

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the CMB licenses for 2017. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

ENCUMBRANCES

APPROVED

The encumbrances include hangar repairs at the airport by Cary Stupka Construction, and the map layers provided by Midland GIS Solutions.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the encumbrances for 2016. Commissioner Sacco seconded. Motion carried.

AFFIRMATION FOR EXEMPT PROPERTY STATUS FOR IRB CERTIFICATIONS

APPROVED

Businesses that have received industrial revenue bonds from the City are required to certify to the City annually that they still have property exempt from taxation. Harley Adams of Concordia Tractor affirmed the status with the city clerk.

Commissioner Parker moved to affirm the exempt property status for IRB certifications for Concordia Tractor. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried.

TASER CAMERAS AND TASERS

APPROVED

Bruce Johnson said a new addition to the quote since the study session discussion was an option to turn on the cameras automatically when the emergency equipment is enabled. That adds an additional \$3,300.00. Taser International will take all our old tasers on trade.

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the Axion Flex cameras purchase from Taser International for \$31,489.87, with five year service and replacement plan. Commissioner Sacco seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Sacco moved to approve the tasers purchase from Taser International for \$15,003.06, with five year service and replacement plan. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried.

WEATHER STATION LEASE

APPROVED

City Manager Uri explained that the weather station building had been constructed in the 1960s, but has been unused as a weather station since 1993. The building has become dilapidated. The desire to relocate to Concordia by RMA Engineering, a public engineering firm in Minneapolis, has led to an interest in the building at the airport, since the firm runs airplanes as a part of their business. The necessary remodeling would cost the firm around \$100,000. The lease is for 30 years at \$1200 per year.

J.P. Metzler spoke of RMA's business and plans for the facility.

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the lease of the weather station building to RMA Engineering, LLC, and 3J Aviation. Commissioner Lambertz seconded. Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri discussed the snow routes in the city. He showed a map produced by the orphan train curator which represents the cities that have picked up a Chicago Tribune article on the orphan train statues. So far, the tally is 15 different states, reaching 3 million readers.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Mayor Hasch said she'd spoken to a couple who have relocated here from the St. Louis area and how much they appreciated Concordia and what is offered.

Commissioner Lambertz echoed the sentiments, and thanked city staff for all they do.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ron Copple said Campbell & Johnson had studied the intersection at 10th & Valley, and recommended adding stop signs.

Eric Voss said he appreciated the commission approving the new ambulance, which we just got last week. He will be hosting a tactical medic training the next two days, certifying 20 people from around the state.

Bruce Johnson said the new Dodge Charger was delivered.

Bruno Rehbein said he would be working with the county and law enforcement to correct addresses around the city.

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 Sacco seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:23 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:38 p.m.

Mayor Hasch announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, at 6:41 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

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Stacey Smith
City Clerk