

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

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on October 4, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Lambertz, Hasch, Parker, Sacco, and Pounds.

Absent: None.

Other Officers: Interim City Manager Smith, Finance Director Farha, and City Attorney Ferrell.

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

Visitors: Toby Nosker, Jim Lowell, Amy Lange, Charles Johnson, Lisa Brewer, Don Dean, Gary Jeardoe Jr., Ryan Cairns, Gary Dvorak, Robert Thomas. Staff present: Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Eric Voss, Fire Chief; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief.

There was no invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Interim City Manager Smith added an executive session for non-elected personnel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Sacco moved to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2017, and September 25 and September 26 special meetings. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

APPROVED

Commissioner Hasch moved to approve appropriation ordinance #18. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Several people were on hand to speak against the \$2.00 proposed fee added to the water bill for pool upgrades, including Gary Dvorak, Charles Johnson, Ryan Cairns, and Robert Thomas.

APPOINTMENTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION

PASSED

Bruno Rehbein said no additional expressions of interest were received, and both LaDonna Peltier and Troy LeDuc agreed to continue to serve.

Commissioner Parker moved to reappoint LaDonna Peltier and Troy LeDuc to the planning commission. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

POOL IMPROVEMENTS/SURVEY

Amber Farha discussed the survey, which will go out in the next water bills on October 19, with a November 7 due date. It shows that the \$2.00 monthly fee on the bills would end in three years. Commissioner Sacco requested the cost of maintenance of the new equipment, as well as the estimated increase in the insurance premiums.

NEW BUSINESS:

DEMO PROGRAM APPLICATION – 1226 E. 7TH ST.

PASSED

Bruno Rehbein said this project will use the last of the funds for the year.

Commissioner Pounds moved to accept 1226 E. 7th St. into the demo program, based on the bid from NCK Services LLC for \$4,600.00. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES:

2017-3125 GRASS CLIPPINGS

PASSED

Thereupon, there was presented an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE DISCHARGE OF VEGETATION, DIRT, WASTE, TRASH OR OTHER DEBRIS UPON THE CITY STREETS OF CONCORDIA, KS, ESTABLISHING A NEW SECTION 12-138 TO THE CONCORDIA CODE.

Thereupon, Commissioner Parker moved that said Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sacco. Said Ordinance was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the passage of said Ordinance was carried by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

Yea: Commissioners Lambertz, Hasch, Parker, and Sacco.

Nay: Commissioner Pounds.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2017-3125, was signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk and was directed to be published one time in the official newspaper of the City.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Interim City Manager Smith said there is interest in the 433 W. 8th St. lot, and the commissioners agreed to ask for sealed bids to sell the property. It was also agreed that a nuisance letter should be sent to the former Sears store owner, due to the pigeon problem. There will not be a quorum for the next commission meeting. It was decided to hold it next Wednesday, October 11.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Hasch asked Ron Copple if he could look at the condition of the northbound lane on the viaduct near 6th St. She thanked staff for the extra work during this week's city manager interviews.

Commissioner Pounds received clarification on which projects could be done next at the airport.

Mayor Lambertz echoed Commissioner Hasch's statement about staff.

STAFF COMMENTS

Eric Voss said the City had received an outstanding ISO rating of 3, dropping from 5, and should help many property owners with decreased insurance rates.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL (1)

HELD

Commissioner Hasch moved that the city commission recess into executive session to discuss the city manager candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(1), and to reconvene in the city commission chamber at 7:30 p.m. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:51 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Lambertz announced there was no binding action taken.

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL (2)

HELD

Commissioner Hasch moved that the city commission recess into executive session to discuss the city manager candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(1), and to reconvene in the city commission chamber at 7:50 p.m. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:31 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

Mayor Lambertz announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, at 7:52 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

(Seal)

Stacey Smith
City Clerk