

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

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on September 20, 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, Mary Thoman, Mary Jo Thummel, Ashley Hutchinson, Amy Lange, Russell Gagnon. Staff present: Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Eric Voss, Fire Chief; Chris Atkins, Recreation Director; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief.

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

Interim City Manager Smith added an executive session after financial matters, a CMB license approval for Country Honky Tonk to the agenda under new business, and postponed voting on the demo project until next meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS:

CONSTITUTION WEEK

The 4th grade class was in attendance to recite the Preamble to the Constitution. The proclamation initiated by the Daughters of the American Revolution was read, and the mayor declared the week of September 17th to be Constitution Week.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Sacco moved to approve the minutes of September 6 and September 13 special meeting. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

APPROVED

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve appropriation ordinance #17. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL

HELD

Commissioner Hasch moved to go into executive session to discuss a matter involving non-elected personnel, in order to protect the privacy of the persons involved, and to reconvene in open session in fifteen (15) minutes. Inviting: Ashley Hutchinson and Justin Ferrell. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 5:40 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 5:55 p.m.

Mayor Lambertz announced there was no binding action taken.

It was announced that this executive session should have been called for confidential business data instead of non-elected personnel.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPOINTMENTS:

FRANK CARLSON LIBRARY BOARD

PASSED

Hadyn Murphy, newly elected to the library board, has moved out of state. Jamieson Gross returned an expression of interest, which has met with approval by Denise de Rochefort-Reynolds.

Commissioner Parker moved to appoint Jamieson Gross to the library board to fill the unexpired term. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

POOL DISCUSSION

Amber Farha presented financials of the pool for the past five years. The pool regularly loses around \$80,000 per year. The proposed \$2 fee per water bill per month would not decrease this loss, but would allow for a way to pay for pool improvements. Commissioner Sacco proposed asking the public for their input, and suggested a survey be placed in the water bills. Commissioner Parker wondered if the money could be better spent elsewhere, such as the sports complex. Commissioner Hasch noted our water rates are low, and \$24 per year per household was an inexpensive way to accomplish these improvements.

It was decided to compile a survey, and bring it back to the next meeting to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

CMB LICENSE – COUNTRY HONKY TONK

PASSED

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the CMB license for Country Honky Tonk. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Interim City Manager Smith announced that the contractor is ready to begin the waterline for the block of 6th St. There will be a preconstruction meeting next Monday at 3:00 p.m., and a public meeting that evening at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Pounds thanked the crew for patching the pothole in front of McDonalds.

Commissioner Sacco discussed the recent conferences he had attended, and notable things learned. Commissioner Sacco complimented the police department on enforcing the parking at the football stadium.

Mayor Lambertz noted the complaints he'd received on j-turns being done in the downtown area.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ron Copple said 18th Street is mostly done with the exception of some driveways and sidewalks.

Bruce Johnson noted the department had responded with the ambulance at the football game, and the ambulance could drive down Willow, now that the one side of the street has been deemed a no parking area.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL (1)

HELD

Commissioner Sacco moved to go into executive session to discuss a matter involving non-elected personnel, in order to protect the privacy of the persons involved, and to reconvene in open session in fifteen (15) minutes. Inviting: Interim City Manager Smith. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:58 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor Lambertz announced there was no binding action taken.

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL (2)

HELD

Commissioner Parker moved to go into executive session to discuss a matter involving non-elected personnel, in order to protect the privacy of the persons involved, and to reconvene in open session in twenty (20) minutes. Inviting: Interim City Manager Smith. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 7:16 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Lambertz announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

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

There being no further business, at 7:37 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

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Stacey Smith
City Clerk