

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

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on February 21, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Sacco, Hasch, Lambertz, and Matthew.

Absent: Commissioner Snavely.

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

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

Visitors: Toby Nosker, Jim Lowell, Scott Tempero, Barbara Shunn, Susan Sutton, Roberta Lowrey, Susie Haver, Marian Condray, Staci Wiese, Miranda Frye, Shaley George, Paul Rimovsky, Aline Luecke, Florence Girard, Russell Gagnon, Jeff Sacco. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Chris Atkins, Recreation Director; 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 Lambertz moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2018, meeting. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Matthew moved to approve appropriation ordinance #3. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Staci Wiese, associated with Leiszler Oil Co., spoke in favor of Sunday beer sales in Concordia. City Manager Lange said we'd bring the item for discussion at the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CLOUD COUNTY TOURISM YEAR END REPORT**

Susie Haver, Cloud County Tourism director, gave a year-end report of tourism in the county. The center is funded with transient taxes. The gift shop in the museum annex brought in \$14,000 in 2017. There were 30 group tours, representing 569 visitors. There were 4,784 people who came through the doors in 2017, with 3,687 being from Kansas, 1,068 from other states, and 29 international visitors. Our tourism center is one of only 22 travel information centers in the state. Marian Condray, also with tourism, spoke of the new 10 for 10 tours, which work to get local people to our attractions, and the commission and staff were invited.

**PROCLAMATION**

A proclamation honoring Susie Haver for her dedication to the community was read and a key to the city was presented to her.

**ORDINANCES:**

**2018-3133 NOISE ORDINANCE**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented an Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING A NOISE PROVISION FOR THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS; AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE IN OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Lambertz moved that said Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matthew. 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 Sacco, Hasch, Lambertz, and Matthew.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2018-3133, 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.

**2018-3134 TOWING FEES**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented an Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE TOWING AND RECOVERY OF IMPOUNDED VEHICLES, AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE, REPEALING SECTION 19-202 OF THE CONCORDIA CODE, AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 19-202.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Lambertz moved that said Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matthew. 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 Sacco, Hasch, Lambertz, and Matthew.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2018-3134, 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**

City Manager Lange said the Plaza has received a Dane Hanson grant for this year's movie series. She will be attending a municipal finance training this week. She reported that the city now has our own You Tube channel, and the commission meetings are posted timely. A photo was shown of the new plaque at the Broadway Plaza, honoring the commission, planning committee, and former city manager Larry Uri. City Manager Lange said internal procedures are being put in place for breed-specific animals until such time as the ordinance will come before the commission.

**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner Matthew said he'd been receiving positive feedback about the upcoming listening tour.

Commissioner Lambertz said he wants to state for the record that he is not in favor of breed-specific laws on Concordia's books. He mentioned Concordia is a welcoming community. He said hopes that people realize they can, and always have been, welcome to contact the commission with concerns, rather than relying on the listening tour stops to voice their opinions.

Commissioner Hasch got a report from Ron Copple on snow removal.

Mayor Sacco thanked the police chief concerning door to door salespeople. He spoke of the listening tour, saying he hoped people's fears would be erased by having a place to go to discuss matters with the commission.

**STAFF COMMENTS**


Ron Copple presented a maintenance list for City Park, items that need yearly attention due to a grant received in the 1970s from the Kansas Dept. of Wildlife & Parks. Annually, he reports to the department.

**ADJOURN**

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

There being no further business, at 6:16 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

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Stacey Smith  
City Clerk