

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

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on February 7, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Sacco, Hasch, Snavelly, Lambertz, and Matthew.

Absent: None.

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, Ashley Hutchinson, Scott Tempero, Jean Rosemarynoski. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Chris Atkins, Recreation Director; 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 January 17, 2018, meeting. Commissioner Matthew seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hasch moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2018, special meeting. Commissioner Snavelly seconded. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

APPROVED

Commissioner Matthew moved to approve appropriation ordinance #2. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS:

FEDERAL FUNDS EXCHANGE

APPROVED

Ron Copple explained that the agreement with the state allows us to take federal dollars, of which we receive between \$50,000 and \$67,000 per year, and exchange them for state dollars. By doing this, we can do any street project we choose, rather than only those included in a federal aid urban route. Federal dollars won't pay for engineering, and force more requirements which cost the City. When the state exchanges the funds, there is no matching requirement on a project. In the past, the state has exchanged at a rate of 90/10, but changed this year to 75/25. Unlike in the past, the funds must be used immediately rather than being banked. Mr. Copple said the funds could be used on the newly completed 18th Street project, or the upcoming mill & overlay on Republican.

Commissioner Sacco was not in favor of losing 25% of the funds. It was discussed that this agreement could be approved, giving more time to discuss possible projects these funds could be used on in the future.

Commissioner Matthew moved to approve the federal funds exchange. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion passed.

ORDINANCES:

2018-3131 AIRPORT PARK

PASSED

Thereupon, there was presented an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISION FOR LONG TERM PARKING OF TRAILERS AND RECREATION VEHICLES IN AIRPORT PARK; REPEALING CONCORDIA CODE SECTION 15-203; AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 15-203.

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, Snavely, Lambertz, and Matthew.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2018-3131, 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.

2018-3132 VACATION CLOUDCORP PROPERTY

PASSED

Thereupon, there was presented an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-504 AND 12-505, AS AMENDED, VACATING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED RIGHT-OF-WAY IN THE CONCORDIA INDUSTRIAL PARK, IN THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS.

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2018-3132, 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 flyers have been placed around town for the upcoming listening tour. The first one is scheduled February 26 at Valley Rental Center. She attended a grant writing workshop, and plans to explore the grants for which we could apply. City Manager Lange pointed to the sales tax report, which was in the packet this week. Use tax continues to increase each year, due to online sales.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Matthew said he had been approached by several who questioned the need for heating the pool. Ron Copple explained it had been in place since the pool was built in the mid 1970s, and without it, attendance would surely drop.

Commissioner Lambertz praised the crews who have been clearing the snow on the streets.

Mayor Sacco thanked the commissioners for participating in the upcoming listening tour.

STAFF COMMENTS

Bruce Johnson, following an annual requirement, reported that 2017 saw zero dollars in asset forfeiture.

Ron Copple said he'd received word from Kansas Gas that line upgrades would be done this year, with over 800 properties on the radar.


Jeremy Arnold said the 6th Street project would not start until the first of March. The public meeting held last night for the business owners attracted no attendees.

ADJOURN

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

There being no further business, at 6:10 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.

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Stacey Smith
City Clerk