



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

Wednesday, July 31, 2019

3:00 p.m.

The governing body met in special session on July 31, 2019, at 12:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snavely, and Sacco.

Absent: Commissioner Lambertz.

Staff Present: Stacey Smith. Visitors: Toby Nosker, Jim Lowell, Kenny Allen, Paula Metro.

**CALL FOR SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS**

TO THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS:

Special meeting of the Board of Commissioners is hereby called to be held as follows:

Place: City Hall, Concordia, Kansas
Date: July 31, 2019
Time: 12:30 o'clock P.M

The object of said meeting will be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Fireworks for Special Events
3. Adjourn

SAM J. SACCO
COMMISSIONER

S. CHRISTY HASCH
COMMISSIONER

KEATON SNAVELY
COMMISSIONER

CHARLES P. LAMBERTZ
COMMISSIONER

MARK R. MATTHEW
COMMISSIONER

RETURN OF SERVICE

The undersigned received the notice of Special City Commission meeting via email, of which the foregoing is a copy, 8:05 o'clock a.m., July 29, 2019.

Served the same personally on Sam Sacco. /s/ Stacey Smith.

Served the same personally on Christy Hasch. /s/ Stacey Smith.

Served the same personally on Keaton Snavely. /s/ Stacey Smith.

Served the same personally on Chuck Lambertz. /s/ Stacey Smith.

Served the same personally on Mark Matthew. /s/ Stacey Smith.

FIREWORKS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

Stacey Smith said two parties were present to request approval to shoot off fireworks for special events. She said staff had discussed the possibility of licenses, if the commission chose to allow the fireworks, in order for police and fire to be aware of the events.

Kenny Allen stated he is hosting a neighborhood party for National Night Out on August 6, and wished to have fireworks in front of his property on Broadway between 11th and 12th Streets. He said it would last about half an hour and would be done by 10:00 p.m. Those on the block have expressed approval.

Paula Metro asked to have fireworks after a back to school 5th grade pool party tomorrow. The small amount of fireworks would be shot off in City Park shortly after 9:00 p.m.

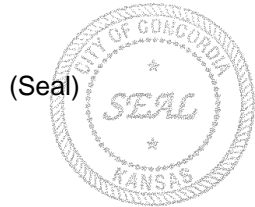
Commissioner Sacco said he did not approve of such things on city property, possibly putting the city at risk for litigation should someone get hurt. He also stated if this was approved today, it could encourage future similar requests.

Mayor Matthew said he was opposed fireworks outside of what is allowed by city ordinance, given the fact that many veterans and pets have issues with them. He also said it could set a precedent for future requests.

It was moved and seconded to approve both requests. Motion failed 2-2, with Commissioners Matthew and Sacco opposing.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, at 12:42 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.



/s/ Stacey Smith

City Clerk