

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 3, 2008

The governing body met in regular session on September 3, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Hattan, Johnson, Lanoue, Jindra and Hosie.

Absent: None

Other Officers: City Manager Skiles, City Attorney Uri and Interim City Clerk Knudsen.

Mayor Hattan declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

There was no invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Hattan asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Commissioner Hosie requested that "City Representation to Cloud Corp" be added under New Business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Johnson asked if a check was supposed to be voided. Commissioner Lanoue stated that, yes, check #49466 to CBIZ needed to be voided. Mayor Hattan made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2008 meeting as presented. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Hosie, Jindra and Lanoue.

Nay: None

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. #16

APPROVED

Commissioner Hosie made a motion to approve appropriation ordinance #16. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Hosie, Jindra and Lanoue

Nay: None

PLANNING COMMISSION

Bruno Rehbein addressed the Mayor and Commissioners that Thea-Dora Lineberry has expressed interest in the Planning Commission Board. He recommended that she be appointed. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve Thea-Dora Lineberry for the Planning Commission. Commissioner Hosie seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Hosie, Jindra and Lanoue

Nay: None

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK

Fire Chief Larry Eubanks reported that the Fire Department has child safety seats to donate to citizens, as well as State Certified professionals to install and inspect the safety seats.

Mayor Hattan discussed some of the rules and stipulations for child safety seats. Mayor Hattan proclaimed that September 15-19, 2008 as Child Passenger Safety Week.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Armand Balthazor expressed his opinion that the City should terminate their membership with the League of Kansas Municipalities and hire someone right out of college for the city manager position.

City Manager Skiles read a letter from Estalene Harrington, referring to her concern for the community's working together and doing so to resolve the low water pressure at the college.

PUBLIC HEARING:

2009 BUDGET

Mayor Hattan explained that the 2009 budget (compared to the 2008 budget), shows a decrease in General Fund spending of \$291,238.00, in the Utility Fund of \$334,109.00 and all other funds by 805,803.00. He mentioned deficit spending and inadequate bond levy funding in prior years as being responsible for the increase in the '09 mill levy.

Hattan discussed the Flood Control Project. He stated that Skiles was responsible for renewing contact with the Corps of Engineers and had also been in contact with Roberts, Brownback and Moran. The Corps has agreed to fund the first \$100,000 and 50% thereafter for a feasibility study that is currently underway.

Hattan also talked about plans for redoing the city's water lines, sewer lines and streets. Mayor Hattan also mentioned plans for improving the Broadway Street sanitary sewer system next year and a sewer plant upgrade.

Hattan mentioned the Slurry Seal project and plans to continue it next year.

Hattan referenced the new 911 platform which will be installed later this year or early next year.

Hattan made note of the LMI Survey that Larry Eubanks was working on which would allow City departments to access grant monies for infrastructure projects.

Hattan stated that he would to get a more effective operation at the Airport and that he would like to appoint a Recreation Advisory Committee to provide guidance into the recreation program.

Hattan made a motion to close the Public Hearing Session for the 2009 Budget. Commissioner Hosie seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Hosie, Jindra, Lanoue and Johnson

Nay: None

Commissioner Lanoue made a motion to approve the 2009 Budget. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried 4-1 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Hosie, Lanoue and Johnson

Nay: Jindra

102 E. 5TH STREET

Building and Zoning Director Bruno Rehbein addressed the Mayor and Commissioners about the Kansas State Historical Society's determination on the progress of the Concordia Homestore, the staff report and advice of the Commission. Owner Steve Wetter applied for a conditional use permit for the downtown area removing the old lumberyard and replacing it with a storage facility. Rehbein stated that the Planning Commission has already approved the conditional use permit application. Rehbein stated that he didn't think the Historical Society had approved the demolition of the old building; they wanted to see plans for the new one. Steve Wetter briefly addressed the Commission on the Historical Society's concerns.

Mayor Hattan made a motion to close the Public Hearing Session for 102 E. 5th St. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Hosie, Jindra, Lanoue and Johnson

Nay: None

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE #2008-2965
Adopt 2009 Budget

APPROVED

Mayor Hattan made a motion to approve Ordinance #2008-2965. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Hosie, Jindra and Lanoue

Nay: None

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #2008-1822
DEMOLITION PROGRAM

Commissioner Hosie made a motion to approve Resolution #2008-1822 stating that there is not a feasible & prudent alternative to the purposes, plans and development of the district. Commissioner Jindra seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

RESOLUTION #2008-1823
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS

APPROVED AS AMENDED

City Manager Skiles explained this resolution which is enacted by the Kansas Legislature for transportation improvements for cities, of which Concordia has four. Commissioner Hosie agreed with these four projects, and stated he agreed with those listed and would like to add another. Mayor Hattan made a motion to approve Resolution #2008-1823 as amended to include the north bypass. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

NEW BUSINESS

Bob Maxson of Cloud County Community College expressed concern on the water pressure. He was aware that the '09 City Budget included funding to address this situation. He stated that the College is interested

in expediting this project and wanted to know whom he was to make contact with. The Commission expressed the opinion that Larry Uri would be the contact person.

Arlene Clayton spoke of the farmers market and her concerns on the current location. She felt it should be moved back to the original location of the city park, to better accommodate downtown shoppers and clientele.

City Manager Skiles asked for two voting delegates and two alternates for the Kansas League of Municipalities Annual Conference. Mayor Hattan nominated Charles Johnson and Darrel Hosie for voting delegates. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

Commissioner Hosie nominated Cher Knudsen and Mayor Hattan for alternate voting delegates. Commissioner Jindra seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

Concerning the Airport Authority by-laws, City Manager Skiles presented changes as recommended by the Airport Authority Board. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the bylaws. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

City Manager Skiles presented two applicants, as recommended by the Airport Authority Board, to the Commission to be considered as members of the Board. Skiles stated that it was customary, and a sign of respect for the receiving group, that the recommendations be made from same. Commissioner Lanoue made a motion to approve Brian Donavon and Dane Hanson to the board for four year terms, with the suggestion that Ray Palmer and Steve Richard be included if they are willing to serve. After further discussion, Everett Ford was added to the motion. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

Commissioner Hosie made a motion to appoint Commissioner Johnson to be the City Representative to the CloudCorp Board to represent the city. Commissioner Jindra seconded. Motion failed with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Jindra, Hosie

Nay: Hattan, Johnson, Lanoue

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVED

Mayor Hattan made a motion to approve the interim city manager contract for Larry Uri. Commissioner Lanoue seconded. Motion carried 5-0 with the vote being as follows:

Yea: Hattan, Johnson, Jindra, Hosie and Lanoue

Nay: None

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Skiles thanked the city staff for their involvement in and the numerous hours of budget study sessions attended.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Hosie shared an article from the Clyde Republican in which it stated the City of Clyde donated \$1000 to the City of Chapman for disaster relief. He pointed out that Concordia donated \$500.

STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

Mayor Hattan stated that there will be a study session following the adjournment of the meeting.

Mayor Hattan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lanoue seconded.

Yea: Hattan, Jindra, Johnson, Hosie and Lanoue.

Nay: None

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Stacey Crum
City Clerk