

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD OCTOBER 20, 2010**

The governing body met in regular session on October 20, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Hattan, Wentz, Johnson, and Fraser.

Absent: Commissioner Hosie.

Other Officers: City Manager Uri, Finance Director Farha, and City Clerk Crum.

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

Visitors: Jessica LeDuc, Toby Nosker, Tyler Nondorf, Marry Jo Thummel, Mark Morgan, Arlene Clayton, Ashley Davis, Ron Deal, Ken Johnson, Tom Tuggle, Johnita Crawford, Cheryl Lanoue. Staff present: Chad Buckley, director of public utilities; Larry Eubanks, fire chief; Ron Copple, director of public works; Chris Edin, chief of police, Bruno Rehbein, building inspector.

Sr. Mary Jo from Sisters of St. Joseph gave the invocation, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES****APPROVED**

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2010, meeting. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. #19****APPROVED**

Commissioner Fraser asked if all departments run their fuel through the central garage and the garage pays for it. Ron Copple explained that yes, it is paid that way, and as other departments use the fuel, it is charged to that department. Larry Eubanks said that the fire department also fills non-highway diesel at the Farmway pump.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve appropriation ordinance #19. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Arlene Clayton said she had attended the police department's conference on sexual harassment, and commended Police Chief Edin on an excellent conference. She had also attended the Nazareth Motherhouse conference, declaring another year of peace for 2011.

**NEW BUSINESS:****2010-3002 ZONING CHANGE ORDINANCE RASURE FIELD****PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS; ORDERING THE OFFICIAL CITY ZONING DISTRICT MAP TO BE CHANGED TO REFLECT SUCH AMENDMENTS; AND AMENDING SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE IV OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS.**

Thereupon, Mayor Hattan moved that said ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fraser. 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:

Aye: Commissioners Hattan, Wentz, Johnson, and Fraser.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2010-3002 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

**ORDINANCES:****2010-3003 NUISANCE FEES****PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COSTS TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES; AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 13-2-1.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Fraser moved that said ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wentz. 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:

Aye: Commissioners Hattan, Wentz, Johnson, and Fraser.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2010-3003 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

**2010-3004 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 19-41 OF THE CONCORDIA CODE, AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 19-41.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Johnson moved that said ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wentz. 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:

Aye: Commissioners Hattan, Wentz, Johnson, and Fraser.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2010-3004 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Uri asked for a count of commissioners who would be able to attend the League's regional supper, to be held in Concordia next month.

City Manager Uri said there had been a meeting at City Hall this week to discuss possible grants for rehabilitation. Both options available need to be applied for by August 31, 2011. Sixth Street east of Hwy. 81 will be the primary focus for the projects.

City Manager Uri said Ron Copple, Ken Johnson, and he will be attending a KDOT planning meeting for the next ten year state highway construction plans, or T-Works. City Manager Uri discussed a possible K-9 bypass project to be submitted. This project was presented to KDOT ten years ago, but was not accepted.

**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner Johnson asked Ron Copple if anything was being done on the one way streets by the school on 8th & 9th Streets. Mr. Copple said he'd received some opposition from the school, and in his opinion two way traffic would create havoc. Commissioner Johnson requested letters be sent to the area residents explaining the decision. Commissioner Johnson asked about the hospital project, since discussion had been postponed several times. City Manager Uri touched on possible financing options. Commissioner Johnson inquired about south development property being able to be used as matching funds in the financing of the dam, and if not, how did that change the City's responsibility for funds. City Manager Uri said that, based upon a discussion at a recent meeting with Corps of Engineers officials, it appears that only the value of the land which will be used for the flood control basin will be considered as a part of the City's matching funds. City Manager Uri said that this is an important issue, and that he will revisit it with the Corps in future meetings.

Mayor Hattan said after talking to several presenters at the League conference, he realized Concordia is far ahead of many Cities in the State, and congratulated City staff on the projects that have been undertaken recently.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Finance Director Farha presented a bond payment schedule spreadsheet, showing significant savings if the principal payments are moved up and all debt is scheduled to be paid off in 10 years.

Payments would be approximately what the City is currently paying each year. Mayor Hattan wondered about being able to pay for future projects if the City goes with this aggressive repayment schedule.

Ken Johnson gave a north development update. All water lines have been tested and flushed, and Concordia Tractor can now have water and sewer.

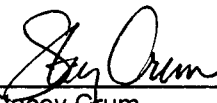
Chad Buckley discussed the meter replacement program, and said to date, 143 meters have been changed, with a goal of 500.

**ADJOURN**

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

There being no further business, Mayor Hattan moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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Stacey Crum  
City Clerk