

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 18, 2010

The governing body met in regular session on August 18, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Hattan, Johnson, Hosie, and Fraser.

Absent: Commissioner Wentz.

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, Joe Jindra, Cory Shipley, Marcia Allen, Mary Jo Thummel, Jean Rosemarynoski, Denise de Rochefort-Reynolds, Kirk Lowell, Cheryl Lanoue, Don Dean. 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.

Pastor Cory Shipley gave the invocation, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Hattan asked for changes to the agenda. There were none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**APPROVED**

Commissioner Hosie moved to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2010, meeting. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. #15**APPROVED**

An earlier question by Mayor Hattan was addressed, about the utilities paid to the City of Glasco. It is understood that Concordia will pay Glasco half of the monthly utilities in exchange for housing the ambulance and equipment, though there appears to be no written agreement to that effect.

Finance Director Farha presented a report, showing voided checks of the last meeting and this one.

Commissioner Johnson inquired about the consulting fees paid to COP Consulting. City Clerk Crum explained that an agreement has been signed between the City and Gene Wilson for a fee to be paid on all savings that he finds on the City's phone bills. Recently, Mr. Wilson found that four lines being paid to AT&T for 911 services are actually disconnected lines that are believed to have been disconnected after the police department moved to the current location, over eleven years ago. This is a savings of over \$300 per month that the City has been overcharged. Mr. Wilson has asked for a refund of this overpayment of over \$38,000.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve appropriation ordinance #15. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS:**HEAVY'S TIF PROJECT**

An estimate from Campbell & Johnson of \$130,424.69 was presented, for curb and guttering, sidewalk, and traffic lights at Heavy's, and repaving of the parking at the library. City Manager Uri said the cash is available in the TIF fund for this project.

Commissioner Fraser said that Heavy's would be a good TIF project, but felt that the library did not qualify as they don't pay taxes and the project would have nothing to do with economic development.

Commissioner Hosie asked if City staff could do the library project. Ron Copple answered that it could. Commissioner Hosie reminded those in attendance that he had voted against using TIF funds for the recent projects of 5th Street and the Broadway sewer because they weren't tied to economic development, and said this fell into the same category.

Mayor Hattan disagreed, saying that the library was an excellent TIF project, with Heavy's customers using the parking as an overflow.

Commissioner Johnson agreed that City crews could do the library to save money on the project.

Commissioner Fraser moved to do Heavy's as a TIF project including the traffic signals. Commissioner Hosie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Uri said staff would bring back estimates on the work to be done in-house.

RESOLUTIONS:**2010-1882 REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION****PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the Governing Body a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS EVIDENCING THE OFFICIAL INTENT OF THE CITY TO UNDERTAKE A CERTAIN PROJECT, FINANCE THE SAME WITH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY AND BE AUTHORIZED TO APPLY PROCEEDS OF SUCH BONDS TO CERTAIN ORIGINAL EXPENDITURES ON SUCH PROJECT.

A blank with the approximate costs of the project was filled in with \$100,000.

The Resolution was considered and discussed; and thereupon on motion of Commissioner Hosie seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Resolution having been adopted by vote of the members of the Governing Body, it was given No. 2010-1882, and was directed to be signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

ORDINANCES:**2010-3000 STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE****PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Concordia, Kansas; incorporating by reference the Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, Edition of 2010, with certain omissions, amendments, and additional provisions.

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2010-3000 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

2010-3001 UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE regulating public offenses within the corporate limits of the City of Concordia, Kansas; incorporating by reference the Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities, Edition of 2010, with certain omissions, amendments and additional provisions; providing certain penalties; repealing existing Section 14-1 of the Concordia Code; and amending the Concordia Code, by adding a Section numbered 14-1.

Thereupon, Commissioner Hosie 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, Johnson, Hosie, and Fraser.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2010-3001 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri said he is working on a report that shows the County's expenses compared to percentage of use for dispatch.

City Manager Uri discussed the recent invoices for vet services for the animal shelter, explaining several of the larger charges. It was pointed out that with the new animal control officer, most animals are now adopted out, rather than being euthanized.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Johnson thanked everyone for the flowers sent after the passing of his wife, and especially thanked the EMS staff.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ron Copple gave an update on the 5th Street project, and the new gazebo for the City park.

Bruno Rehbein discussed the new college dorm and the inspections, and updated the commission on the new Mormon church.

Larry Eubanks discussed the current tree trimming project on 5th Street, and announced that the President declared Cloud County a national disaster after the last storm damage and clean up funds will be reimbursed.

Chad Buckley updated the commission on the north development.

Amber Farha presented paperwork for designation of depository bank for the new CDBG grant.

Commissioner Fraser made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the CDBG paperwork. Commissioner Hosie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chris Edin spoke of an Olds Bravada that was seized in a recent drug raid. The vehicle now belongs to the City.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL

HELD

Mayor Hattan moved that the commission recess into executive session for ten (10) minutes for non-elected personnel. Inviting: City Manager Uri. Commissioner Hosie seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:31 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:41 p.m.

Mayor Hattan announced there was no binding action taken.

Mayor Hattan explained the topic of the executive session, which was city manager/commissioner protocol, and commissioners dealing with the public. City Manager Uri said that in the future, concerns raised by a citizen should be dealt with in a public meeting, rather than one commissioner dealing with the issue. Commissioner Johnson commented that he has dealt with concerns from citizens in the past, and would continue to do so.

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 Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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 Stacey Crum
 City Clerk