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**MINUTES**  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**CITY HALL, 701 WASHINGTON**  
Wednesday, October 16, 2013 5:30 p.m.

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The governing body met in regular session on October 16, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Absent: None.

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

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

Visitors: Jessica LeDuc, Toby Nosker, Monte Wentz, Lowell Thoman, Art Slaughter, Ashley McMillan, Susan Retter, Janet Lowell, Kirk Lowell, Ken Johnson, Jon Puckett, Tina Barnett, Bev Taddiken, Steve Richard, Darrel Hosie, Tom Tuggle, Suzy Tuggle, Everett Ford, Daniel Stehlik. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Chad Buckley, Utilities Director; Eric Voss, Fire Chief; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief.

Pastor Tina Barnett gave the invocation, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATION**  
**KIRK LOWELL – AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD**

Awards and recognition from Susan Retter, representing the airport advisory board, Lowell Thoman, representing CloudCorp, and City Manager Uri, representing the City, were given to Kirk Lowell. Mr. Lowell spoke about his many years of service to the community. The meeting broke for refreshments.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2013, meeting. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #19**

**APPROVED**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Everett Ford thanked Kirk Lowell for his role on the airport advisory board. He also discussed his demo properties, and the progress of the house currently being renovated.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MARQUIS PLACE REAL ESTATE CONTRACT**

**APPROVED**

City Manager Uri said this is the last piece of property needing to be acquired for the flood control area, as the dam will cut through this lot. The purchase price is \$50,000. The lot is not located in the TIF district, so TIF funds cannot be used.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the Marquis Place real estate contract for \$50,000. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**CAMPBELL & JOHNSON AGREEMENT FOR CDBG**  
**COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION**

**APPROVED**

After this agreement is approved for Monte Wentz's rehabilitation grant received for 101 E. 6<sup>th</sup>, the contractor can begin work. The City is the grant administrator but will not expend any funds for the project.

Commissioner Johnson thought the agreement should state the City is not responsible for any payments.

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the Campbell & Johnson agreement for the CDBG commercial rehabilitation project at 101 E. 6th, for \$28,518.50. Commissioner Hasch seconded. The vote was 3-1, with Commissioner Johnson opposing and Commissioner Wentz abstaining.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**2013-1961 TRANSFER TO KP&F**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission a Resolution entitled:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS: AS A PARTICIPATING EMPLOYER WITH THE KANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE CITY HEREBY MAKES APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH K.S.A. 74-4954(1) AND (2) TO BECOME A PARTICIPATING EMPLOYER IN THE KANSAS POLICE AND FIREMEN'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF ALL FUTURE ELIGIBLE POLICE OFFICERS, AND THE TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP TO ALL CURRENT POLICE OFFICERS PRESENTLY COVERED UNDER THE KANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014.**

Discussion included the additional minimum \$26,000 a year more that it will cost the City, and that this additional amount will be funded by not replacing one officer.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Pounds, seconded by Commissioner Hasch, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1961 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**2013-1962 BLOSSER AIRPORT EMINENT DOMAIN**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission a Resolution entitled:

**WHEREAS, THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, CLOUD COUNTY, KANSAS IS THE FEE SIMPLE OWNER OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY WHICH IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AT EXHIBIT "A", WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE ("THE PROPERTY").**

The FAA has determined the City must have a deed to the property in order to continue receiving funds from the FAA, which represents \$150,000 a year. The Blosser family has not agreed to the proposal.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Wentz, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1962 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**2013-1963 123 W. 11TH CONDEMNATION**

**PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission a Resolution entitled:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS: WHEREAS, THE ENFORCING OFFICER PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-1750 ET SEQ., AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 7-47 (C) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, HAS INFORMED THE GOVERNING BODY THAT IN HIS OPINION THE FOLLOWING STRUCTURE IS UNSAFE AND DANGEROUS.**

The process is starting over because additional lienholders were found and need to be notified.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Hasch, seconded by Commissioner Pounds, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Commissioners Parker, Wentz, Johnson, Pounds, and Hasch.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1963 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Uri discussed the proposals received for the treatment plant project. He said the request is still out for the airport engineering, and that the airport advisory board will assist in the recommendation. A decision will need to be made where to relocate the City Park playground equipment, once the new equipment is installed.

### **MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner Wentz noted the League conference last week, saying she'd attended sessions on economic development, grant writing, and funding.

Commissioner Hasch also discussed her League conference attendance, mentioning the recognition our employees received for longevity, including Raymond Mendenhall for 40 years, Ric Fredrickson for 15 years, and Tim Halfhide and Jared LeDuc for 10 years.

Commissioner Pounds asked about the vehicle on 10<sup>th</sup> Street he mentioned at the last meeting. City Manager Uri said he would follow up.

Commissioner Johnson said a meeting should be held with the county commissioners to discuss selling the Alco building. City Manager Uri said we'd place it on the next agenda for discussion.

Mayor Parker asked how long KDOT would take completing the line painting on Hwy. 81 through town. Ron Copple said he did not know.

### **STAFF COMMENTS**

Bruce Johnson said his department received a grant for bullet-proof vests.

Ron Copple noted receiving another KLINK project, from 5<sup>th</sup> & Broadway to the west city limits.

Ken Johnson said Nowak Construction will soon begin the sewer project at the south development.

Finance Director Farha presented an amended budget for 2013 for the water/sewer fund to allow for the additional gas line expenditures that were not previously budgeted. A larger than expected fund beginning balance in 2013 as well as reimbursed expenses will allow for the increased expenditures.

Commissioner Wentz moved to authorize publishing the amended 2013 budget. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURN**

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

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

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Stacey Crum  
City Clerk