

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD JANUARY 16, 2013 (AMENDED)**

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

Absent: None.

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

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

Visitors: Jessica LeDuc, Amy Hadachek, Deb Ohlde, Kirk Lowell, Steve Richard, Jean Rosemarynoski, Marcia Allen, Tina Barnett, Monte Wentz, Brad Waller, Ashley McMillan, Janet Lowell, Bev Taddiken, Lawrence Schleuder, Everett Ford. Staff present: Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Ron Copple, Public Works; Eric Voss, Fire Chief.

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

City Manager Uri added a study session item to discuss a grant proposal.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2013, meeting. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #1**

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Johnson asked if the cages, light bars and weapon mount installation charges were for new vehicles. Finance Director Farha answered they were for the GMC Envoy and the recently purchased Dodge Charger. The Orrick & Erskine payment was for a legal matter.

Commissioner Parker asked about the bill from Hood's. The answer was installation of lights at the basketball and tennis courts by the shelter house.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve appropriation ordinance #1. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**JUVENILE JUSTICE AUTHORITY**

City Manager Uri discussed the appointment of the City's representative to the JJA, Al Parades. The commission requested more information on the appointee, so it was agreed to bring the item back at the next meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**CDBG DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION**

Mayor Pounds opened the public hearing. The purpose of the public hearing was to hear comments on the CDBG grant in which Monte Wentz is applying. Mayor Pounds read the notice published in the paper. The estimated project cost is \$540,692. Mr. Wentz is requesting the maximum amount of \$250,000. There were no public comments.

Mayor Pounds closed the public hearing.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CDBG DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION**

- **NCRPC CONTRACT**

**APPROVED**

Deb Ohlde presented the NCRPC contract. City Manager Uri reminded the commission that the City is sponsoring the grant only, not involved in any grant match.

Commissioner Johnson asked if Commissioner Wentz needed to abstain, since Monte Wentz is her son. City Manager Uri said she is not profiting financially in the project and does not need to abstain.

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the NCRPC contract. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- **RES. 2013-1943 APPLICATION FOR CDBG PROGRAM** **PASSED**

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

**WHEREAS, THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, IS A LEGAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY AS PROVIDED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, AND WHEREAS, THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, INTENDS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE 2013 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.**

Deb Ohlde explained that approving the resolution authorizes the mayor to sign additional paperwork concerning this grant as it comes along.

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

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1943 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

- **RES. 2013-1944 DECLARING BLIGHT** **PASSED**

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

**WHEREAS, CONGRESS RECOGNIZED THE PREVENTION AND ELIMINATION OF SLUM AND BLIGHT AS A NATIONAL OBJECTIVE UNDER THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974.**

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

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1944 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

- **REHAB APPLICATION FORMS** **APPROVED**

Deb Ohlde explained the application forms requiring the mayor's signature.

Commissioner Parker moved to approve the residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREATMENT PLANT ELECTRICAL REPAIR PROPOSAL** **APPROVED**

City Manager Uri said the main electrical panel has shorted out at the treatment plant, and because of the age of the unit, parts cannot be purchased. The panel will be rebuilt by Newton Electric, and is an urgent need requiring action. Newton's proposal is \$7550.

Commissioner Wentz moved to accept Newton's estimate of \$7550 for fixing the panel at the wastewater treatment plant. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**GRANT POLICY**

City Manager Uri said the policy is in response to a Federal Aviation Administration request that shows documentation of our policies and procedures, since we regularly receive funds from the FAA. The FAA has reviewed the policy.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**2013-1945 GRANT POLICY** **PASSED**

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

**WHEREAS, THE GOVERNING BODY FINDS THAT THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY IS SERVED BY ADOPTING CERTAIN POLICIES REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS;**

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

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2013-1945 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Uri discussed the leadership training the department heads are currently receiving through the Sisters of St. Joseph.

City Manager Uri said a recent meeting with engineers estimated the start of construction of the dams by September 1 of this year. Google Earth maps were shown, with the two dams drawn in for perspective. There was discussion of the street through the spillway.

The special meeting "retreat" is planned for January 30, to discuss future City business.

**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Commissioner Johnson inquired about having the county appraiser talk to the commission.

Commissioner Fraser asked how the Hustler mowers were holding up. Ron Copple answered they have no problems with them. Commissioner Fraser asked about the gas lines at the north development. City Manager Uri said according to BG Consultants, the service should be installed in March and the City can then begin selling gas to the new jail.

Mayor Pounds asked about City Hall Day at Topeka. City Manager Uri said he planned to attend that morning, if anyone wants to ride along.

**STAFF COMMENTS**


There were no staff comments.

**ADJOURN**

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

There being no further business, Commissioner Fraser moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

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Stacey Crum  
City Clerk