
MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL, 701 WASHINGTON
Wednesday, May 1, 2013 5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on May 1, 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, Amy Hadachek, Paul McGuire, Lori McGuire, Ken Johnson, Trevor Nordell, Michael Malcuit, Anthony May, Nathan Gieber, Janet Lowell, Bev Mortimer, Janet Morrison, Gordon Morrison, Matthew Corder, Heather Corder, Tina Barnett, Ashley McMillan, Brentin Hake, Susan Cantine Maxson, Fran Trost, Paul Rimovsky, Daniel Longfellow, Greg Gross, Brayden Monihugh, Caleb Acridge, Susan Sutton. Staff present: Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Chad Buckley, Utilities Director; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief; Eric Voss, Fire Chief.

Pastor Michael Corder gave the invocation, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Manager Uri pointed out that the high school government class was in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2013, meeting. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #8

APPROVED

Commissioner Johnson noted the first four checks listed on the check register were approved as hand checks at the last meeting. It was pointed out that the software automatically includes those checks, but that they could be omitted in the approval of the other payables.

Staff answered questions about the Chaput-Buoy vault purchase, the new camera at the stoplight at College Drive, back taxes paid on the sale of 534 E. 5th, and reimbursable invoices for jail contractors.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve appropriation ordinance #8 without the first four checks listed. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pastor Tina Barnett, president of the Ministerial Alliance, invited everyone to tomorrow's National Day of Prayer events.

NEW BUSINESS:

PARK PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Janet Lowell of the Rotary Club introduced the club's plans to provide new playground equipment at City Park. The estimate for the project is \$100,000-\$150,000. The committee will be working with a New York firm, which has been retained over the years by area cities on similar projects, to design the play area based on the needs of the city's children.

CCCC REAL ESTATE CONTRACT

APPROVED

The City has elected to purchase the college's land at the south development, which will be used for a future parking lot. The college will also grant an easement for a sewer line and drainage. An appraisal was done, valuing the property at \$4300. The college agreed to sell the easements for \$2.00.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the CCCC real estate agreement for \$4302. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

BG CONSULTANTS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT**APPROVED**

BG Consultants agreed to monitor the gas line installation not to exceed \$36,000.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the BG Consultants Supplemental Agreement for the north development gas line inspection. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES:**2013-3050 ANIMALS IN CITY LIMITS****PASSED**

Thereupon, there was presented to the City Commission an Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA;
REPEALING CONCORDIA CODE SECTION 4-122; AND AMENDING THE
CONCORDIA CODE, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 4-122.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Pounds moved that said ordinance be passed. Commissioner Hasch seconded.

Said ordinance was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the passage of said ordinance passed by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

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

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2013-3050 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri said the City was notified that grant funds of \$249,500 have been awarded for improvements of the historic Harris Building, owned by Monte Wentz.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Johnson said he noticed phone book covers delivered to city residents littered the properties and streets, and wondered what could be done about it. City Manager Uri said a letter would be written to the company.

Commissioner Pounds said his church is having a volunteer group pick up trash around town. He also asked if anything could be done about the rough street on College Drive right off the highway.

Mayor Parker noticed grass was growing at the dam, and wondered if the final payment would now be sent to the contractor. Ken Johnson answered yes.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ken Johnson gave an update on the Ft. Kearney Street project.

Chad Buckley said fire hydrants were flushed this week. He also discussed the water levels of the river and how they are monitored.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE**HELD**

Commissioner Wentz moved that the commission recess into executive session for ten (10) minutes for attorney-client privilege. Inviting: City Manager Uri. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:33 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:43 p.m.

Mayor Parker announced there was no binding action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE HELD

Commissioner Wentz moved that the commission recess into executive session for ten (10) minutes for preliminary discussion of acquisition of real estate. Inviting: City Manager Uri. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:44 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:54 p.m.


Mayor Parker announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

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

There being no further business, Commissioner Wentz moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

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Stacey Crum
City Clerk