



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

The governing body met in regular session on June 5, 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, Ken Johnson, Chuck Boyd, Maureen Boyd, Luann Miller, Raymond Hamel, Misse Nelson, Tina Barnett, Ashley McMillan, Susan Sutton, Paul Rimovsky, Everett Ford. Staff present: Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Chad Buckley, Utilities Director; Bruce Johnson, Police Chief; Eric Voss, Fire Chief.

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

Commissioner Johnson requested an executive session for non-elected personnel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2013, meeting. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #10

APPROVED

Staff answered questions about attorney fees being charged to the City, Rasure Field bleachers, lifeguards training, the Glasco agreement for utilities, and Benesch's airport contract for assessing the area if expanding.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve appropriation ordinance #10. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Luann Miller spoke in support of the Brown Grand Theatre project, with several board members in attendance in support as well.

APPOINTMENTS:

BOARD OF BUILDING TRADES

Bruno Rehbein said two positions have expired terms. Mike Linden expressed an interest in reappointment. John Hood, as the licensed contractor, was stepping down, but his son, Luke, agreed to serve. They are three year terms.

Commissioner Pounds moved to approve the reappointment of Mike Linden and the appointment of Luke Hood to the Board of Building Trades. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

KANSAS MUNICIPAL GAS AGENCY

City Manager Uri said the agency has requested board members be appointed, with the City's new involvement. The City will be purchasing gas from this organization. The board is comprised of member cities. Staff recommended Chad Buckley's appointment as the director member, with Larry Uri as the alternate.

Commissioner Hasch moved to approve the appointment of Chad Buckley as director, and Larry Uri as the alternate. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

PERSONNEL HANDBOOK**APPROVED**

City Manager Uri said the handbook governs the relationship with employees, and it is regularly reviewed at the department head level.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the changes to the personnel handbook as presented. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

BROADWAY STREET SIDEWALK TIF PROJECT

Per the commission's request, the project was placed on the agenda. It would replace the sidewalk on Broadway Street east of Kristy's Restaurant, plus the steps to the building in back used as an office. The project would be bid out rather than done by public works. The engineer's estimate is \$22,322.55 and does not include \$1500 for observation, allowing for Ron Cople to oversee the project.

FORD DEMO PROGRAM CONTRACT

Four properties owned by Everett Ford were put on the high priority list to be demolished. Mr. Ford asked to be put on the demo program for three properties, but has requested that one property, 213 E. 6th, be removed from possible demolition, allowing him to make necessary repairs to the house. He requested 120 days, at which time Bruno Rehbein would inspect the property. The contract has yet to be returned by Mr. Ford.

RESOLUTIONS:**2013-1951 SAFE GAS SERVICE****PASSED**

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, ESTABLISHING A GOAL TO PROVIDE SAFE, RELIABLE GAS SERVICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND ENSURE THE SAFETY OF PEOPLE LIVING AND/OR WORKING NEAR OUR GAS PIPELINE THROUGH A PUBLIC AWARENESS PROGRAM, AS MANDATED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Wentz, 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. 2013-1951 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

2013-1952 2013 CURB & GUTTER APPLICATIONS**PASSED**

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

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE ADVISABILITY OF CERTAIN INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, AND AUTHORIZING SUCH IMPROVEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY & K.S.A. 12-6a01 ET SEQ.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Wentz, 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. 2013-1952 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

2013-1953 BROWN GRAND TIF**PASSED**

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

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS IS CONSIDERING THE ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT PLAN WITHIN CONCORDIA REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT 2000 PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-1770 ET SEQ.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Wentz, 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. 2013-1953 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

2013-1954 BROADWAY STREET SIDEWALK TIF

PASSED

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

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS IS CONSIDERING THE ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT PLAN WITHIN CONCORDIA REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT 2000 PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-1770 ET SEQ.

Thereupon on motion of Commissioner Pounds, 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. 2013-1954 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri said he received the annual request for \$500 for the city fireworks.

City Manager Uri said a new conceal and carry law has been passed. He suggested discussing the item at the next meeting.

Following up on a request from Commissioner Pounds, City Manager Uri checked into leftover FEMA funds which may be allocated for mitigation. He was told these funds cannot be used for flood control.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Hasch asked about replacing curb and gutter across from Kristy's. Ken Johnson said we are in the process finding out what we can do that won't affect the historical aspect of the building.

Commissioner Wentz requested a new flag for the fire department.

Commissioner Johnson asked about the future prospects for the Alco building. City Manager Uri said the property is part of the county emergency preparedness plan, as well as the City's. He said we should delay selling in hopes of finding a buyer with definitive plans for the building. Commissioner Johnson revisited his requests for further financial information. City Manager Uri told him to make a written request and it would be discussed at the next meeting.

Mayor Parker shared a letter from Everett Miller, thanking the commissioners for the proclamation in his honor.

STAFF COMMENTS

Bruno Rehbein gave an update on the five properties the City plans to demolish.

Chad Buckley gave an update on the contractor installing the gas line to the north development.

Finance Director Farha presented budget pages, and discussed it, as well as the mill levy. She said with the savings the City realized with the switch in health insurance, the mill should not have to be raised next year as planned. She projected the possibility of keeping the mill the same until 2017, when bond payments would increase.

Ken Johnson said the grass was growing on the grading at the south development, so now the contractor could receive the final payment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL

HELD

Commissioner Johnson moved that the commission recess into executive session for ten (10) minutes for

non-elected personnel. Inviting: City Manager Uri and Police Chief Johnson. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 7:06 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 7:16 p.m.

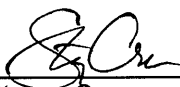
Mayor Parker announced there was no binding action taken.

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 Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

(Seal)



Stacey Crum
City Clerk