

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD JANUARY 4, 2012

The governing body met in regular session on January 4, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Wentz, Pounds, Johnson, Parker, and Fraser.

Absent: None

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

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

Visitors: Jessica LeDuc, Toby Nosker, Kent Otott, Shane Spurlock, Gary Martin, Tina Barnett, Don Dean, Jean Rosemarynoski, Tammy Britt, Tom Tuggle. Staff present: Chad Buckley, Director of Public Utilities; Larry Eubanks, Fire Chief; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Ron Copple, Director of Public Works; and Chris Edin, Police Chief.

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

City Manager Uri requested the addition of an executive session for non-elected personnel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2011, meeting. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #24

APPROVED

Mayor Wentz asked about the work comp claims. City Clerk Crum said these were a claim turned in to work comp but it was denied, leaving the City to cover the bills.

Commissioner Johnson asked what happened to the 9mm handguns that were purchased several years ago by the police department. City Manager Uri said it's been looked into, but the department would take a second look.

Commissioner Pounds asked if the nitroglycerin purchase was ambulance supplies. Larry Eubanks answered yes.

Mayor Wentz asked for a total of what has been spent remodeling the animal shelter. City Manager Uri said this would be provided.

Commissioner Johnson inquired about the IAAI training. Mr. Eubanks said it is arson investigator training. He also asked about peer-to-peer investigations and NENA for the police department. City Manager Uri said we would report back on those answers. Commissioner Johnson inquired about some items which were purchased out of town, and wondered if these could be purchased locally.

Commissioner Fraser moved to approve appropriation ordinance #24. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPOINTMENTS:

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

APPROVED

City Manager Uri presented the recommendations, which were to reappoint members Kenny Allen to a one year term, and John Hernandez, Ragen Belden, and Derrick Hittle to two year terms, staggering the terms so that three positions will be appointed each year. The board has two year terms.

Commissioner Johnson moved to appoint the members according to Tom Gennette's recommendations. Mayor Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

MCDONALDS ADDITION PLAT

APPROVED

Bruno Rehbein presented the proposed McDonald's addition. The current building is slated to be razed and a new one built in its place over the next few months. Franchise owner Shane Spurlock, along with Gary Martin, were on hand to answer questions. City Manager Uri said in the near future the City would need to address the drainage problem with the Motherhouse. This project will not correct that issue.

Mayor Wentz moved to approve the McDonald's addition plat. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

* **CAMPBELL & JOHNSON - SUPPLEMENTAL FLOOD CONTROL
ENGINEERING CONTRACT**

APPROVED

City Manager Uri said the contract addresses four items with the flood control project; prepare land acquisition and temporary construction easement documents, investigate options for exclusion of inundation easements for the 21st St. dam, investigate earthwork costs for commercial grading, and prepare earthwork/grading plans for CCC's land. The total cost is \$14,520.00.

Commissioner Johnson asked if local contractors will be considered. City Manager Uri said yes. Commissioner Johnson asked about soil boring, and if we'd have to pay for the dirt in addition to the planning for the college's land. Commissioner Johnson discussed filling in dirt for the commercial lots along Hwy. 81 and whether this would be done and the cost. He said he'd like the cost figures before deciding on whether we will need additional dirt for this area. Further discussion included the design of the dam in relation to filling these lots, and the responsibility of land owners for the costs.

Commissioner Fraser moved to approve the contract with Campbell & Johnson. Mayor Wentz seconded. Motion carried 4-1, with Commissioner Johnson opposing.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri announced the next intergovernmental meeting, which will be in Jamestown on January 18.

City Manager Uri said the city prosecutor may attend the next meeting and offer a presentation explaining her duties with the City.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Johnson said if a patrol car not currently in use was parked at 6th & Lincoln, it might hinder speeding. Commissioner Johnson asked if donations were received for the animal shelter renovation. Chris Edin said he'd look into it. Commissioner Johnson said he'd like to be invited to any future hospital meetings, with the board and with the engineers.

STAFF COMMENTS

There were no staff comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL

HELD

Mayor Wentz moved that the commission recess into executive session for fifteen (15) minutes for non-elected personnel. Inviting: City Manager Uri. Commissioner Johnson seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: None.

Time: 6:22 p.m.

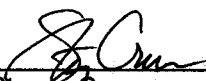
The commission reconvened at 6:37 p.m.

Mayor Wentz announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mayor Wentz moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Pounds seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

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Stacey Drum
City Clerk