

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING HELD OCTOBER 17, 2012

The governing body met in regular session on October 17, 2012, 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, Toby Nosker, Kirk Lowell, Sr. Judy Stephens, Don Dean, Denise Group, Sr. Beth Stover. Staff present: Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Chad Buckley, Utilities Director; Chris Edin, Police Chief.

Pastor Denise Group gave the invocation, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVED

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2012, meeting. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2012, special meeting. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #19

APPROVED

Commissioner Johnson asked about the stakes purchased. Ron Copple answered they are steel stakes for concrete forms. Commissioner Johnson inquired about the pre-employment medical payment. City Clerk Crum answered all new hires must have a range of motion test. Commissioner Johnson asked if the purchase from Danko was for the new fire chief. Finance Director Farha said it was for the previous fire chief, and as it was personalized items, could not be sent back.

Commissioner Wentz noted that there was another payment for power cots inspections, and we also had a payment last time. It was answered they inspected all the cots. Commissioner Johnson asked if it was a requirement, or if we could train an employee to inspect. City Manager Uri promised to find out.

Commissioner Fraser inquired about the bill paid on behalf of the Brown Grand. Finance Director Farha answered it is the City's match amount, and there is about \$15,000 left out of \$40,000 for this project. Commissioner Fraser asked if we are close to replacing all meters in the City. Chad Buckley said there are 58 meters left.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPOINTMENTS:

PLANNING COMMISSION

Three terms are expiring on November 1. Mike Gallagher and Dennis Smith expressed an interest in continuing to serve. Judy Deal has elected to step down. Cheryl Lanoue's expression has been on file, and she conveyed an interest in serving on the planning commission. Bruno Rehbein's recommendation was for the commissioners to appoint three members.

Commissioner Fraser moved to appoint Mike Gallagher, Dennis Smith, and Cheryl Lanoue to the planning commission. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Kirk Lowell presented expressions of interest for the airport advisory board. Steve Richard's and Lawrence Schleuder's terms are up this year. Mr. Schleuder's desire is to become an ex-officio officer to remain involved, and recommended appointing his daughter, Beverly Taddiken, in his place.

Commissioner Johnson moved to appoint Steve Richard and Beverly Taddiken as members, and Lawrence Schleuder as an ex-officio member. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

FT. KEARNEY STREET BIDS

APPROVED

Don Dean presented bids for the new jail's street and sanitary sewer. They were as follows:

Contractor	Street Bid	Sewer Bid
Smoky Hill, LLC	\$236,740.00	\$29,317.50
Bryant & Bryant Construction	\$238,851.50	
Wrench Construction	\$243,723.00	
Vogts-Parga Construction	\$263,371.25	
Hood Heating & Air		\$13,526.22
Stevens Contractors, Inc.		\$21,735.00
Van Kirk Brothers		\$26,807.50

The engineer's estimates for the projects were \$215,452.60 for the street and \$42,020.00 for the sewer, for a total of \$257,472.60. The low bids for both projects from Smoky Hill and Hood Heating are \$7,206.38 below the engineer's estimates. Mr. Dean explained the bids were reviewed and both low bidders met the specifications. The total amount for both projects came in under what the County budgeted. The engineer's recommendation was to accept the low bids.

Commissioner Wentz moved to accept the bid from Smoky Hill, LLC for \$236,740.00 for the law enforcement street. Commissioner Fraser seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Wentz moved to accept the bid from Hood Heating & Air for \$13,526.22 for the law enforcement sanitary sewer. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

POLICE VEHICLE BIDS

APPROVED

Chris Edin presented the vehicle bids. They were as follows:

Dealer	Vehicle	Bid
Concordia Chevrolet-Buick	2006 Dodge Charger	\$9,900.00
Car Zone	Ford F-150	\$7,000.00

Mr. Edin said the 2006 Dodge Charger would meet the needs of the department and recommended that purchase.

Commissioner Fraser stated he was not in favor of continuing with older, higher mileage vehicles, and said the City would be best to go through a dealer with the State prices, purchasing new.

Commissioner Johnson moved to accept the bid for the 2006 Dodge Charger for \$9,900.00. Mayor Pounds seconded. Motion carried 4-1, with Commissioner Fraser opposing.

RESOLUTIONS:

2012-1934 APPROVING LEASE PURCHASE CONTRACT

PASSED

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

WHEREAS, THE CITY HAS A NEED FOR ONE (1) NEW 2013 VACTOR 2110-J4-PLUS CENTRIFUGAL FAN COMBINATION SEWER CLEANER (THE EQUIPMENT) AT A TOTAL EQUIPMENT COST OF THREE HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$330,643.00);

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. 2012-1934 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

2012-1935 CHECK CASHING 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 A POLICY CONCERNING INSUFFICIENT FUNDS CHECKS TENDERED TO THE CITY;

The Resolution was considered and discussed, including adding a time frame of five (5) years for the three (3) bad checks that could be written before insisting upon cash payments; and thereupon on motion of Commissioner Fraser, 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. 2012-1935 was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

ORDINANCES:

2012-3042 UTILITY DELINQUENCY FEES

PASSED

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UTILITY DELINQUENCY CHARGES OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA BY INCREASING THE DELINQUENCY FEE TO \$100.00 FOR UTILITY CUSTOMERS WHOSE ACCOUNT IS DELINQUENT MORE THAN ONCE IN A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD; REPEALING SECTION 20-34 OF THE CONCORDIA CODE; AND AMENDING THE CONCORDIA CODE, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 20-34.

Thereupon, Commissioner Parker moved that said ordinance be passed. Commissioner Fraser 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 Pounds, Wentz, Johnson, Parker, and Fraser.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said ordinance duly passed and the ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2012-3042 and was signed by the Mayor and the signature attested by the City Clerk.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Uri said the City received an invitation to an SRS meeting in Concordia on November 2 concerning a new department for children and families.

City Manager Uri said he was attending a trails grant workshop in Topeka on November 5. The State has received funding from the federal government.

He said he is attending a Kansas rural development meeting in Junction City on November 7 and 8 on broadband and community development.

The League supper is in Minneapolis on November 8, and City Manager Uri invited the commissioners.

The bill from BG Consultants was for design for the gas line right of way in the north development. As the City has not heard back from Kansas Gas Service, we might investigate the City operating that line as our own utility.

He discussed the flood control project. The city manager, Kirk Lowell, and Ken Johnson plan to meet once a week for planning.

Concerning Laverne Clintzman's garage, a geotechnical engineer will be studying photos of the site, as discussed at the last meeting.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Mayor Pounds asked if the citizens could petition for a vote for the Plum Road dam. Mayor Pounds recommended putting all information out publicly, to open the discussion between the two parties. City Manager Uri suggested a possibility of a long study session for discussion on the project.

Commissioner Wentz said if a study session is called, the comprehensive plan needs to be considered. Commissioner Wentz suggested running the citizen board request ads in a more prominent place in the paper, and put it on the radio. She also wondered if a fee could be placed on each water bill for the new treatment plant.

Commissioner Parker asked how much longer the contractors would be on the dirt work project. Don Dean said they had equipment problems, but are nearing completion.

Commissioner Johnson asked for the county appraiser to come to a meeting and talk about city property appraisals. City Manager Uri said he would look into it.

STAFF COMMENTS

There were no staff comments.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Commissioner Wentz moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Parker seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

(Seal)



Stacy Crum
City Clerk