
**MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL, 701 WASHINGTON ST.**

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session on September 16, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snively, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Absent: None.

Other Officers: City Manager Amy Lange, City Clerk Stacey Smith, Finance Director Farha, City Attorney Justin Ferrell.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Matthew called the meeting to order.

Also Present: Toby Nosker, Jim Lowell, Robert Hamilton, Monte Wentz, Bob Frasier, Kim Reynolds, Emily Benedick. Staff present: Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Ron Copple, Public Works Director; Ric Fredrickson, Police Chief; Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Eric Voss, Fire Chief; Chris Atkins, Recreation Director.

The invocation was followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amy Lange added an action item to approve a revolving loan fund grant for Taco Johns.

Commissioner Hasch moved to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Monte Wentz updated the commission on the seating project at the Brown Grand Theatre. He stated they had met their fundraising goal. The floor has been painted, and the seats are now being installed.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ITEMS SCHEDULED AT A CERTAIN TIME

USDOT Triple A Awards

Bob Hamilton from USDOT was on hand to present a AAA Kansas Community Traffic Safety Award to Ric Fredrickson. Mr. Hamilton said we were one of 38 police departments in the state that received the award, earned by addressing local traffic issues.

Public Hearing for Application for Community Block Development Grant

Mayor Matthew opened the public hearing.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Matthew closed the public hearing.

ACTION AGENDA (*Action Expected*)

North Central Regional Planning Commission Administration Agreement

North Central Regional Planning Commission Inspection Services Agreement

Emily Benedick of NCRPC discussed the CDBG program for demolition, stating if awarded, we should receive funds to demo ten houses. The City has already heard from several property owners anxious to take part in this program. There is an October 30 deadline for the application, and we will know by mid-January if we receive the grant.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the administration and inspection services agreements with NCRPC. Commissioner Snively seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-2106 Certifying Legal Authority to Apply for CDBG Program

Thereupon, there was presented a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING LEGAL AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR THE 2021 KANSAS SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT SUCH AN APPLICATION.

Thereupon, Commissioner Hasch moved that said Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lambertz. Said Resolution was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the adoption of said Resolution was carried by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

Aye: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snaveley, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly adopted and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2020-2106 and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

Resolution 2020-2107 Assuring KDOC of Guaranteed Funds for CDBG

Thereupon, there was presented a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION ASSURING THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE THAT FUNDS WILL BE CONTINUALLY PROVIDED FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HOUSING SYSTEM TO BE FINANCED WITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS.

Thereupon, Commissioner Wentz moved that said Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Snaveley. Said Resolution was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the adoption of said Resolution was carried by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

Aye: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snaveley, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly adopted and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2020-2107 and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

Bond Sale Bids for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

The Clerk reported that pursuant to the Notice of Bond Sale heretofore duly given, bids for the purchase of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020, dated October 8, 2020, of the City had been received. A tabulation of said bids is set forth as EXHIBIT A hereto.

The Governing Body reviewed and considered the bids and it was found and determined that the bid of FIRST BANKERS' BANC SECURITIES, INC., ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, was the best bid for the Bonds, a copy of which is attached hereto as EXHIBIT B.

Bond counsel had projected a rate of 2.08%, but the City received a very favorable rate of 1.61%, and received nine bids, which is higher than normal.

Commissioner Lambertz moved that the bid be accepted and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the bid form selling the Bonds to the best bidder on the basis of the bid and the terms specified in the Notice of Bond Sale. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wentz. The motion was carried by a vote of the Governing Body as follows:

Yea: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snaveley, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Ordinance 2020-3165 Issuance of GO Bonds for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

There was presented an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2020, OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Commissioner Snaveley moved that the Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hasch. The Ordinance was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the passage of said Ordinance was carried by the vote of the Governing Body as follows:

Yea: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snaveley, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

The Mayor declared the Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2020-3165, was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk and the Ordinance or a summary thereof was directed to be published one time in the official newspaper of the City.

Resolution 2020-2108 Authorizing Sale of GO Bonds for Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements

There was presented a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2020, OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2020-3165 OF THE ISSUER; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT AND SECURITY THEREOF; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

Commissioner Hasch moved that the Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Snavelly. The Resolution was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the adoption of the Resolution was carried by the vote of the Governing Body as follows:

Yea: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snavelly, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

The Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2020-2108, and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

Minutes of September 2, 2020 Meeting

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the minutes from September 2, 2020. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

Appropriation Ordinance #17

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve appropriation ordinance #17. Commissioner Snavelly seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-2109 Public Hearing for 1909 Lincoln

There was presented to the City Commission a Resolution setting the public hearing for 1909 Lincoln.

Thereupon, Commissioner Snavelly moved that said Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hasch. Said Resolution was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the adoption of said Resolution was carried by the vote of the governing body, the vote being as follows:

Aye: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snavelly, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution duly adopted and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2020-2109 and was signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

MOA for Acceptance of Coronavirus Relief Funds

The MOA is similar to the MOU approved by the commission last month, accepting funds for relief during the pandemic. Changes have been made since the MOU with the County.

Commissioner Snavelly moved to approve the MOA between the City of Concordia and Cloud County to accept coronavirus relief funds, and authorize the mayor to sign the MOA. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

Taco Johns Revolving Loan Fund Disaster Relief Grant

Kim Reynolds said she has received all paperwork from the owners of Taco Johns, requesting the relief. Business has been down substantially, and though now open, the dining room has seen a big drop in traffic. With the grant, they will retain 13 fulltime equivalency jobs, at 83% LMI.

Commissioner Lambertz moved to approve the grant of \$25,000 for Concordia Hospitality DBA Taco Johns. Commissioner Snavelly seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Manager's Report

Amy Lange said the groundbreaking for the airport runway last week was successful.

Staff Reports

None.

Mayor/Commissioner Comments & Reports

Mayor Matthew commended fire and police for their work during the bowling alley fire last week. He also discussed the accomplishment of the Brown Grand and Monte Wentz to raise money for seating,

Commissioner Hasch thanked Ron and staff for the condition of the cemetery this summer.

Commissioner Lambertz added comments about Mr. Wentz, and the things he has accomplished in downtown Concordia.

Commissioner Wentz commended the police department on tonight's award.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Attorney-Client Privilege

Commissioner Lambertz moved that the city commission recess into executive session for consultation with an attorney for information deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(2) with Amy Lange, Justin Ferrell, Eric Voss, and Ric Fredrickson in attendance, and to reconvene in the city commission chamber at 6:20 p.m. Commissioner Hasch seconded. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Commissioners Matthew, Hasch, Snavelly, Lambertz, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Time: 6:04 p.m.

The commission reconvened at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor Matthew announced there was no binding action taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, at 6:21 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.



/s/ Stacey Smith
City Clerk