

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

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

5:30 p.m.

The governing body met in regular session May 17, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, with the following members being present: Commissioners Lambertz, Jackson, Belden, and Wentz.

Absent: Commissioner Hutchinson.

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

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

Visitors: Toby Nosker, Russell Gagnon, Nicole Reed, Don Dean, Brandon Stensaas, Carlee Stensaas, Justin Snyder, Trell Grinter. Staff present: Jeremy Arnold, Utilities Director; Fuller Bates, Public Works Director; Brent Gering, Police Chief; Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector; Eric Voss, Fire Chief.

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Belden moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

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

***OCCK General Public Transportation Budget Request***

Trell Grinter, Director of Transportation, said the two vehicles in Concordia gave 8396 rides last year. The bulk of rides were for medical and work. A 90% grant was received from KDOT, leaving \$23,341 as a local match. She requested the full local match from the City.

***CloudCorp Budget Request***

The request stayed the same since 2016 - \$55,000 for CloudCorp, and \$3,000 for small business development.

**ACTION AGENDA** *(Action Expected)*

***Minutes of May 3, 2023 Meeting***

Commissioner Belden moved to approve the minutes of May 3, 2023. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

***Appropriation Ordinance #9***

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve appropriation ordinance #9. Commissioner Belden seconded. Motion carried.

***Parks Department Mower Bids***

One bid was received for a mower, from Krier's, for \$18,404.00. The mower can be delivered this week.

Commissioner Belden moved to approve the Grasshopper 725DT 72" mower purchase from Krier Mower and Electric for \$18,404.00. Commissioner Jackson seconded. Motion carried.

***KDOT Mill & Overlay K9 Highway Bids***

Bids were let, and only one was submitted for the project, from Hall Brothers. The project is a 95%-5% split with KDOT. The bid received included paint that is not available until next spring, which means KDOT would not reimburse the City until the entire project was completed. The paint was rebid with the contractor, resulting in the following change order for -\$40,486.00.

Commissioner Wentz moved to approve the bid for the K9 Highway mill and overlay project from Hall Brothers, Inc. for \$687,440.73. Commissioner Jackson seconded. Motion carried.

***Mill & Overlay Change Order***

Commissioner Belden moved to authorize the city manager to sign change order #1. Commissioner Jackson seconded. Motion carried.

**Board of Building Trades Appointments**

The positions of Cheryl Lanoue and Steve Conner are soon to be expired. Both have expressed interest to continue serving.

Commissioner Jackson moved to reappoint Cheryl Lanoue and Steve Conner to the Board of Building Trades. Commissioner Wentz seconded. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2023-3201 – 1020 Elmhurst Ave. Rezoning**

Thereupon, there was presented an Ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF CONCORDIA, KANSAS, AND ORDERING THE OFFICIAL CITY ZONING DISTRICT MAP TO BE CHANGED TO REFLECT SUCH AMENDMENTS.**

Thereupon, Commissioner Wentz moved that said Ordinance be passed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Belden. Said 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, the vote being as follows:

Aye: Commissioners Lambertz, Jackson, Belden, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Ordinance duly passed and the Ordinance was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 2023-3201, was signed by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk, and was directed to be published one time in the official newspaper of the City.

**Resolution 2023-2153 - Condemnations**

There was presented to the City Commission a Resolution setting the public hearing for multiple condemnation properties.

Thereupon, on motion of Commissioner Wentz, seconded by Commissioner Belden, the Resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Yea: Commissioners Lambertz, Jackson, Belden, and Wentz.

Nay: None.

Thereupon, the Mayor declared said Resolution passed and the Resolution was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2023-2153, was signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk, and was directed to be published two times in the official newspaper of the City.

**REPORTS**

**Manager’s Report**

Amy Lange said city staff was recognized last week for Public Service Recognition Week. She said progress was slow on the Brown Grand roof, with some leaking from the rain earlier this week. The asbestos survey has been completed at 830 W. 11th, with an estimate to remove it at \$8980.00. Commissioners agreed it was appropriate to solicit bids to remove the building, using reserve funds.

**Staff Reports**

Brent Gering said the 911 recorder system purchased with DOJ grant funds has been installed. The remodel of the dispatch area will be starting the end of the month.

Eric Voss said the power load system from the Dane Hansen grant has been received.

Fuller Bates said the seeding and mulching on the crosswind runway has been completed.

Jeremy Arnold gave an update on the treatment plant upgrades.

**Mayor/Commissioner Comments & Reports**

Commissioner Wentz stated she had attended the grand opening for Meg’s Grooming.

Commissioner Jackson said she had received positive feedback about the police chief. She thanked all first responders.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, at 6:22 p.m. it was moved and seconded to adjourn.



/s/ Stacey Smith  
City Clerk