

Minutes
City Council
May 2, 2016

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at the Utility Shop on the 2nd day of May, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same being annexed to the minutes of the meeting as Attachment #1, said attachment showing how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this notice, the same having been transmitted to each Council Member simultaneously. The Mayor presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Routine Business

The following Council Members were present: Larry Carmine, Renee Carter, Jesse Grof, Kim Jansen, Jim Philippi, and Jim Reed. Absent: None. Others present: Lisa Beethe, Bruce Dalluge, Doug Goracke, Ray Kappel, Trevor Mills, Chuck Murphy, and Rhonda Sasser.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Montz read a statement of availability of current copy of Open Meeting Act.

There were no additions or corrections to the original posted agenda.

Regular Agenda

City Clerk Report – Ms. Beethe presented the minutes of the Town Hall meeting on April 7th. She then presented an updated Strategic Plan & Action Plans for the top 5 priority projects. Motion by Reed, second by Grof to approve the Strategic Plan & Action Plans as presented. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. Ms. Beethe then presented the updated Capital Improvement Plan for FY 15-16. Motion by Carmine, second by Carter to approve the updated Capital Improvement Plan for FY 15-16. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Resolution #16-05

Ms. Beethe introduced Resolution #16-05 to show the City's support for the NDED Leadership Certified Community Renewal Application. Motion by Philippi, second by Grof to approve the resolution. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Motion carried.

Ms. Beethe reported on the City-wide Clean-up results – we filled 3 large dumpsters with a mixture of electronics, furniture, mattresses and other debris. Two of the dumpsters are provided free as part of our contract, but the 3rd one will be charged to the City. Ray Ensor reported to

Lisa that he had no trouble with residents bringing items that could not be taken. Ms. Beethe indicated that a Committee Meeting Report was included in the packet for Council review.

Johnson County Sheriff's report was received by the Council. Staff mentioned that the City did receive the deprecation permit allowing us to kill up to 25 turkey vultures from U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Doug will coordinate this with the Sheriff's department.

Street Department Report – City Attorney Bruce Dalluge discussed the need to set up a Street Improvement District for the paving project near Tecumseh Poultry. The City will need to bond this project – with Tecumseh Poultry paying 70% of costs and City paying 30% of costs. An ordinance to create the Street Improvement District will be needed. Motion by Reed, second by Philippi to introduce Ordinance 2016-1 to create a Street Improvement District and suspend the 3 readings on different days rule. Mr. Dalluge read the full ordinance title. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. Motion by Philippi, second by Reed to approve final passage of Ordinance 2016-1 to create a Street Improvement District. Appropriate public notices will be sent out and a hearing set up to receive comments and/or objections on the Street Improvement District. Notices will be sent to property owners within the district boundaries to inform them they will not be assessed anything for these improvements – the entire project will be paid for by Tecumseh Poultry and the City of Tecumseh.

Parks Department Report – Staff presented a list of applicants for swimming pool staff. We had 1 applicant for manager, none for assistant manager, and 8 for lifeguard positions. We also have a list of 4 additional people who have signed up for the lifeguard training, but have not yet submitted an application to the City. Motion by Philippi, second by Grof to hire Brienne Stephens as pool manager and to allow her and Mr. Carmine to select the remaining staff from the presented list of applicants. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. Staff submitted a summer recreation personnel list with proposed wages. Councilman Carmine proposed a 3% wage increase for the swimming pool personnel. Pool admission rates would remain the same this year and ball program wages would remain the same as well. Motion by Philippi, second by Grof to approved the summer recreation personnel list and wages as presented for 2016. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. Council considered whether to form a committee to discuss a new pool – including residents and city personnel. Council briefly discussed some funding options and will check on sales tax ballot issues just to see how long it would take to put something on the ballot. Discussion. Motion by Grof, second by Carmine to appoint Jim Philippi as chair of the New Pool Committee with a maximum of 10 members. Voting Aye: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Economic Development Report – Doug Goracke gave the report. He indicated that some demolitions would be completed in the coming week. They are looking into ways they can help with the upcoming all-class reunion. They are supporting the flowers around the square, which is being worked on now. Doug indicated that the detention cell has been built in Shawnee Ridge, but they need to finish the drainage to the storm sewer.

Utility Department Report – Doug Goracke gave the report. The main water tower will be drained for maintenance the week of May 17th. He indicated that Olsson Associates made a presentation to the Board of Public Works earlier with some preliminary water study results. They plan to meet with Tecumseh Poultry and the prison (as our 2 industrial users) about the methods being used before completing the final report to the City. The Utility Dept. has used the new jet truck and have been very pleased with how it is working.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Grof, second by Jansen to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve minutes of April 4, 2016 regular meeting and the April 18, 2016 special meeting.
2. Pay bills for City Funds
3. Housing Rehab Grant #14-HO-3S057
 - a. Approve bid for project #9 – EZ Construction \$24,995
 - b. Approve drawdown #9 – SENDD Administration \$819.51
 - c. Approve drawdown #10 – Rehab Expenses \$20,268.05

Ayes: Carmine, Carter, Grof, Jansen, Philippi, Reed. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Lisa Beethe, City Clerk

William J. Montz, Sr., Mayor