

City Council Meeting
July 14, 2015

Present: Mayor Rose Hanser, Councilpersons Tom Jankowski, Lawretta Miller, John Williams and Greg Koczur

Also Present: Fire Chief Rob Pontius, Building/Zoning/Planning Official Denise Sisson, City Attorney Gary Ryder, City Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards, Police Chief Cory Hert and Public Works Director Bryan Swan

Mayor Hanser called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk/Treasurer Richards called the Roll Call.

Consent Agenda:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion. Discussion: Councilperson Jankowski noted an error on page 3 of the minutes. The minutes state Councilperson Koczur made the motion to approve the Special Events Permits and that he also seconded the motion. Clerk/Treasurer Richards will correct this. Motion carried with all in favor.

- Minutes of 6/23/15 Regular Meeting
- Claims Roster 7/10/15
- Journal Voucher No. 2015-06

Departmental Reports:

Reports were given by Police Chief Hert, Building/Zoning/Planning Official Sisson, Fire Chief Pontius, City Attorney Ryder, Public Works Director Swan and City Clerk/Treasurer Richards.

Public Comment: None received.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the appointment of Rob Pontius as Fire Chief. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilperson Jankowski thanked Mr. Pontius for his years of service as Assistant Chief and also thanked Mr. Ryan Reid for his years of service as Fire Chief.

Public comment: None received.

The motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the appointment of Dade Allison as Assistant Fire Chief. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Public comment: None received.
The motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Fire Department's request to purchase a new SCBA Compressor in the amount of \$17,080. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.
Discussion: Chief Pontius reported that if the current compressor lasts until the new one arrives, we will receive \$3,000 for trade-in of the old one.
Public Comment: None received.
Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Williams moved to set the Zoning Commission Appeal Hearing for August 18, 2015 at 7:00 pm regarding the Conditional Use Permit at 4019 Prospector Drive. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.
Discussion: None
Public Comment: Richard Vasicek, 4019 Prospector, wants to know who will be at the meeting. He doesn't feel the Mayor and Building/Zoning/Planning Official should be involved. He wants to know why it has taken 4 months to get this far. He is very displeased with the whole process.
Motion carried with all in favor.

City Council discussed amending City Code Section 9-1B-3. Mayor Hanser presented 3 options for the City Council to consider. Councilperson Miller likes Option 1. She doesn't think it is fair there are people with services available that are not helping to pay for the debt and other expenses. She feels Option 1 is clearer and is not based on age or number of properties someone owns. Attorney Ryder is concerned about the number of properties in town that have services available and do not use it and the City would probably get a lot of complaints if the City starts charging them. Councilperson Miller stated everyone benefits from the upgrades and repairs so everyone should help pay. Councilperson Williams supports Option 2 and not Option 1. He doesn't think if a service has never been used and there is no meter installed they should not have to pay a monthly charge or a fee to abandon the service. Councilperson Williams made a motion to implement a reduced monthly rate consisting of debt service expense only to all property owners with an available service if that service is activated at any time after January 1, 2016. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.
Discussion: Councilperson Koczur stated we know something needs to be done because of the water tank issue but we need to come up with something that is as painless as possible.
Public Comment: Terry Olson, 4015 Prospector, agrees with Councilperson Williams that people shouldn't be charged until they activate and use the service.
Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Miller moved to approve Engineering Task Order No. 18 for Water Quality Modeling with Kadrmas, Lee and Jackson in the amount of \$25,568.00. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion.
Discussion: None.
Public Comment: None
Motion carried with all in favor.

Administrative Matters:

Councilperson Williams asked about Councilperson Jankowski's previous request to address City Council and Mayor's salaries. Councilperson Jankowski's thought is to follow the same percentage increase the employees receive each year. This will be further discussed during budget meetings.

Adjournment:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Miller seconded the motion. Mayor Hanser adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer

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