

City of Saint George, KS



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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF GOVERNING BODY April 11, 2024 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Via Phone

Matt Ruhnke Council President, conducted the meeting due to Mayor Debby Werth being absent.

4. CONSENTING AGENDA:

Regular Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes March 29, 2024 and February 2024 Financial Statement. Matt Ruhnke asked for a motion for consenting agenda consisting of the Regular Meeting Minutes and the Special Meeting Minutes we do not have a February 2024 Financial Statement as of this time.

Spencer Parsons made a motion to adopt the consenting agenda with the minutes.

Judd McCormack seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

5. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

a. City Hall Land – Update

No update was given. It was mentioned that the Building Commission will be getting together for a meeting to start working on a new RFP.

b. Second Street– Update

Ben Wheeler updated the council that we are waiting on the manhole. No further update.

- c. Third and Grant Intersection Update
 - Ben Wheeler updated the council that we are waiting on materials for the manhole drain. No further update.
- d. Daras Update

No Update

e. Animal Shelter – Update

Christine Moylan with the city code enforcement brought a new contact from Prairie Paws in Manhattan. There was a lot of discussion on the price and how much it would be used. The council agreed to have Christine get back in contact with them and look into a case-by-case contract due to not using it that much. Christine will talk to them and bring an update to the next Regular Meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Ordinance 2024-02 ADU

AN ORDINANCE AMMENDIG THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE.

Tim Pralle made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-02.

 $Spencer\ Parsons\ seconded\ the\ motion.\ A\ roll\ call\ vote\ was\ taken$

Jeremy Holliday – Yay Tim Prall – Yay Spencer Parsons – Yay Judd McCormack – Yay Motion passed.

b. Muni Code Contract

City Clerk, Elizabeth Wagoner brought a new contract from Muni Code to council. The contract did not elaborate on what it covered as far as pricing. It was asked to be tabled and get someone from muni code to come and explain. A special meeting will be held if needed in order to get this taken care of for future billing.

c. Camping – Discussion

A recent call to the City Hall sparked a question on camping in City Limits. Our current Ordinance states that the council has to give approval. The council agreed that they would like to see camping at the river but want to have regulations that would need to be followed. City attorney Todd Luckman is going to work on a policy for this and present it at the next Regular Meeting.

d. Personnel Handbook – Update

The personnel handbook was updated to reflect current benefits for employees, and an explanation of using sick and vacation time not to exceed 40 hours in a work week.

Tim Pralle made a motion to adopt the updated employee handbook.

Judd McCormack seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

7. COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- a. Mayoral Report
- **b.** City Council

A resident that couldn't attend wanted to ask the council to think about letting residents shot fireworks off on the weekend after the 4th of July. Where the 4th falls in the middle of the week the way the Ordinance reads, they would not be able to have neighborhood gatherings with fireworks and kids wouldn't have a weekend to do them. The council agreed to have a Resolution drawn up for the next Regular Meeting to approve this for this year.

Judd McCormack updated that the Kawnsas fest committee is looking at a permanent stage in the park and asked council if there would be a problem with reaching out to builders to get more information on this. The council was fine with the request.

- c. Law Enforcement N/A
- d. Code Enforcement N/A
- e. Planning and Zoning Committee Reports N/A
- **f.** Treasurers Report N/A
- g. Administration Report N/A
- **h.** Water/Sewer Report N/A
- i. City Operations Report N/A
- j. Saint George Community Enrichment Team N/A

Todd Luckman the City Attorney asked to be able to speak about the Ridge Mobile Home Park.

Progress in the case is moving forward. There was a hearing and we are moving to a conclusion. We are at the point where the judge can affirm the decision or overrule and send it back for further action. Mr Luckman is hoping this will be taken care of by the end of the summer.

8. OPEN COMMENTS:

There were no open comments.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Matt Ruhnke asked for an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel for 10 minutes.

Judd McCormack moved to go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel for 13 minutes starting at 7:57 and the meeting to reopen at 8:10 at this location. Mayor, Legal and Council Members to attend.

 $Tim\ Pralle\ seconded\ the\ motion.$

Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Meeting continued at 8:10 and no action was taken.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

 ${\it Tim\ Pralle\ made\ a\ motion\ to\ adjourn.}$

Spencer Parsons seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays