



City of Saint George, KS

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF GOVERNING BODY

August 11, 2022

7:00 P.M.



APPROVED

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 PM

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Mayor Tim Pralle	X	Judd McCormack	X
Matt Ruhnke	X	Debby Werth	X
Jeremy Holliday	X	Nick Cahoj	X

4. CONSENTING AGENDA:

- a. July 14 Regular Meeting Minutes, July 28 Special Meeting Minutes and June 2022 Financial Statement.
Debby Werth made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda items consisting of the July 14, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes and the June 2022 Financial Statement.
Jeremy Holliday seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays

5. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- a. City Hall – Update
Brian Foster updated council on the meetings that have been happening to go over City Hall Building cuts to fit better in the budget. Council scheduled a work session for 6 pm August 16, 2022 at Light House Baptist Church.
- b. FEMA Ordinance
Tabled to next Regular Meeting

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. William Liming – Codes
Mr Liming was unable to attend the meeting.
- b. Hartwachs Development – Discussion
Cody Liming with Planning and Zoning spoke with City Council about the rezoning that was sent from Pottawatomie County for the Hartwachs development. Due to the terrain and Planning and Zoning not wanting lateral fields in the City they are asking for the Northern section on the development to be in the county and the Southern part of the development to be annexed into the City at a later time. The development will start with the County portion and as its finished ask for rezoning of the Southern portion and at that time have it annexed into City Limits. The portion that will be annexed at a later time will be on City water and sewer. City council agreed to this and Cody will let the County Planning and Zoning know. The City Planning and Zoning Committee will be attending the County Planning and Zoning meeting via zoom in regards to this.
- c. Vacate Historic Fremont Street – Rhodes
Thad Rhodes attended the City Council meeting asking that Historic Fremont Street be vacated. This is located at the North end of Jackson St. City Council was in agreed to vacating this and the City Attorney will draw up the paper work.
- d. Lighthouse – Donation
Mayor Tim Pralle talked with City Council about the donation that the City makes to Light House. In the past we make a donation and apply it to the water bill, that has ran out. The last donation was in March of 2021, and was in the amount of \$2500.00.
Debby Werth made a motion to give a donation to Light House Baptist Church of \$2500.00. This donation will be a credit towards the City Bill.
Matt Ruhnke seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays

- e. Temp Alcoholic Permit – Ordinance 2022-07
AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY PERMITTING THE PUBLIC SALE, SERVICE, AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IN THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE, KANSAS.
Nick Cahoj made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-07.
Matt Ruhnke seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays

7. COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- a. Mayoral Report
Russell Kalic was unable to attend the meeting but would like to thank the City for taking care of the eroding ditch that was affecting the road on 3rd Street.
- b. City Council
Judd McCormack let City Council know that he will be setting up a table at the KAWnsas Fest. if anyone wants to join him. He will be there and available for community members to speak about things going on in the City.
Matt Ruhnke said he talked to Houston to clarify from the budget conversation about another FT Officer. An additional officer is not in the budget but could be taken from another line item. There was a discussion on the hours for officers. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- c. Law Enforcement – N/A
- d. Planning and Zoning Committee Reports
Cody Liming reported that public comments will be open at the Planning and Zoning Meeting regarding the proposed new Zoning Codes.
- e. Treasurers Report
- f. Administration Report – N/A
- g. Water/Sewer Report – N/A
- h. City Operations Report – N/A
- i. Saint George Community Enrichment Team –
Cody Liming said they have added a 50/50 raffle for the KAWnsas Fest.

8. OPEN COMMENTS:

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive session for non-elected personnel
Matt Ruhnke made a motion to go into executive session for no-elected personnel for 45 Minutes.
Debby Werth seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Debby Werth made a motion to give pay increases for City Employees as follows:
PT Police Officer will be increased to \$17 per hr
Yvonne will stay at \$19 per hr
Rebel will be at \$20.50 per hr
Katlyn \$20.00 per hr
James \$21.50 per hr
Liz \$24.00 per hr
Ben \$26.00 per hr
Dan goes to 28.45 hourly salary
Tommy at \$17.00 per hr
Effective this payroll.
Matt Ruhnke seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Matt Ruhnke made a motion to adjourn.
Debby Werth seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays