



City of Saint George, KS

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MEETING MINUTES OF GOVERNING BODY

July 11, 2024

7:00 P.M.

APPROVED

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Debby Werth	A	Judd McCormack	X
Matt Ruhnke	X	Spencer Parsons	X (via phone)
Jeremy Holliday	X	Tim Pralle	X

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

4. CONSENTING AGENDA:

Regular Meeting Minutes of June 13, and Special Meeting Minutes of June 24, 2024, along with May 2024 Financial Statement.

Tim Pralle moved to adopt the consenting agenda.

Jeremy Holliday seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

5. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

a. City Hall Land – Update

Judd McCormack updated the council; he has talked to a couple other individuals and had a couple meetings this week with some individuals probably going get with Brian will make a few changes to the RFP as far as some of the requirements and options. Maybe get the RP out by the 1st of September.

b. Water Treatment Plant – Update

We are looking for is a motion for Debbie to work with BG consultants on applying for a grant for the water treatment facility.

Judd McCormack made the motion.

Tim Pralle seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

c. Second Street– Update

d. Third and Grant Intersection – Update

Jarod Mills updated the council with Second Street and the Third and Grant Intersection. This looks like it will start July 22, 2024.

e. Daras – Update

Will need an executive session for this discussion, we will have that after Open Comments.

f. SRTS – Update

Todd Luckman will draft letters, easements and documents that will need to be sent to residents that will be affected with the sidewalks. We are looking at about 25, and the fastest way to get these out would be to have volunteers go door to door to talk to these individuals. Mr. Luckman said he would get these done and emailed out so that the city can start talking to residents.

g. Camping Resolution – Review

The Council reviewed the drafted camping resolution. Todd is going to make a few more changes to the Resolution and include a map to show areas where camping in allowed. Will review again next regular meeting.

h. Pool Ordinance – Review

The Council reviewed the Pool Ordinance, had several people in attendance with questions and comments. The council asked the City Attorney to make changes and clarify a few items on the Ordinance and they would revisit it when its ready. Tim Pralle did state that even if this Ordinance gets approved this summer, he would like to not see it take effect until next year.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Hartwicks Development – Sewer Easement

Cody Hartwich addressed the Council with questions on easements for the sewer for the portion of the development that

will be in City Limits. Cody would like to keep things moving so the project doesn't stall. After discussion it was asked that BG get a project cost to Todd Luckman and he would work on an agreement.

- b. Ordinance 2024-03 KAWnsas Fest
AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY PERMITTING THE PUBLIC SALE, SERVICE AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR IN THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE, KANSAS.
Judd McCormack made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2024-03.
Jeremy Holliday seconded the motion.
Motion carried 4 Ayes 0 Nays
- c. Resolution 2024-04 – 512 Ash St
Code Enforcement updated council on the property at 512 Ash, it still has trash and long grass.
Tim Pralle made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-04.
Judd McCormack seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

The manager from the Ridge Mobile Home Park, Matthew Schwed said he didn't receive any violations. He requested the City change the method of violation of delivery to accommodate him, as he said personal delivery doesn't work. The Council explained that there is a Ordinance set in place for violations and we will follow that.

7. COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- a. Mayoral Report – N/A
- b. City Council – N/A
- c. Attorney -
Mr. Luckman advised the Council that he has prior commitments at his firm which is not going to allow him to attend the city meetings on the second Thursday of the month anymore. He does have an attorney at his firm that would be able to take his place, if the council didn't want that we would have to pass an ordinance to change the meeting date. The council discussed this briefly and decided that they would like an Ordinance drawn up for the next meeting to change the meeting date from the second Thursday to the first Thursday of the month and this would then start in September of 2024.
- d. Law Enforcement
Chief Burton gave a brief update on the break ins that happened in the early hours of July 5th. He reminded everyone not to leave valuables or keys in their vehicles.
- e. Code Enforcement – N/A
- f. Planning and Zoning Committee Reports – N/A
- g. Treasurers Report – N/A
- h. Administration Report
The City Clerk brought a concern to council from residents in River View Hills. Parking on streets causes congestion and concern for emergency vehicles if they need to get through. More discussion on this at the next Regular Meeting.
- i. Water/Sewer Report – N/A
- j. City Operations Report – N/A
- k. Saint George Community Enrichment Team -
Cody Liming with the KAWnsas Fest Committee talked with the council that funds might be short this year. We are working on sponsors for the event and hoping to break even, in the event that we don't, is this something that the city would be able to help with this year. This is due to catching up from a couple of years ago when we got rained out and didn't have event insurance. Depending on the cost, the council didn't seem to have a problem helping.

8. OPEN COMMENTS:

Mark Cusimano wanted to ask council on lighting in the River View Hills development, if this is something that could be looked at for streetlights. Cody Liming suggested this is something in our Comprehensive Plan. Judd McCormack said we need to start watching for grants to help with this.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Matt Ruhnke asked for a motion for an executive session for 15 minutes for acquisition of real property.
Judd McCormack moved to go into executive session for the purpose of preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of land for the period of 15 minutes here in this meeting room with BG Consultant Jared Mills city legal representative Todd Luckman as well as city council members with the meeting to resume at 8:42pm right here.
Tim Pralle seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Tim Pralle made a motion to adjourn.
Jeremy Holliday seconded the motion.
Motion carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays