

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 6, 2018

CITY HALL

121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Dove called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Dale Kerstetter, Ray Strunk, Brendan McGettigan, Marci Maschino, Matt Stamm, Ben Anderson and Paul Davis.

Members Absent: Gina Gregory

Staff Present: Kristine Polian, Assistant City Administrator
Lloyd Newman, Police Chief
Lonnie Tormey, Fire Chief
Neal Owings, Parks and Public Buildings Director
Ryan Shrack, Community Development Director
Kelley Zellner, Public Works Director
Josh Golka, City Engineer
Scott Hildebrand, City Administrator
Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk

News Present: Ark Valley News

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

McGettigan moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Anderson. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA

MINUTES – FEBRUARY 20, 2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Kerstetter moved to accept the minutes of the February 20, 2018, regular City Council meeting, seconded by McGettigan. Vote yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS – None

PUBLIC FORUM –

Mayor Dove spoke of the closing of Leeker's Family Foods and Valley Drug. She reported that as soon as the closure was made public, an effort was started to recruit another grocer to Valley Center. The lease on this building goes until 2020 so the current location might not be viable. A task force will be formed that will include individuals from City Council, Chamber of Commerce and the community. The task force will begin studying the viability of another grocery store and pharmacy and recruitment of such.

Janice Fontes, 313 N. Dexter and Tom Bartel, 12131 N Valley Forge both addressed Council to volunteer to serve on the task force. Mr. Bartel has indicated that other properties might be an option if this lease is not available.

APPOINTMENTS –

Mayor Dove appointed Amanda Ervin to serve a 2 year term and Megan Oliphant to serve a 1 year term on the Outdoor Spaces Board.

Maschino moved to approve the appointments to the Outdoor Spaces Board. Anderson seconded the motion. Vote yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS –

MINUTES – JANUARY 23, 2018 PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING

Stamm moved to accept and file the minutes of the February 27, 2018, Planning and Zoning Board meeting, seconded by Anderson. Vote yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS –

A COMMUNITY BUILDING STATUS REPORT

Hildebrand stated that the carpet in the Community Building is scheduled to be laid beginning April 9th. The fence should be removed April 16th, to allow landscaping to begin. Discussion was held about having soft opening following Memorial Day with the Senior Center. The library would move during June. A Grand Opening celebration could be scheduled for July 4th. Maschino inquired on the time line for the dog park. Hildebrand anticipates the timing would be similar to the completion of the Community Building.

NEW BUSINESS-

A 5TH STREET PROJECT

Golka reported that the bids received by KDOT for the 5th Street project were lower than expected. Cornejo & Sons LLC was lowest bid with the City share of \$1,216,621. Kerstetter asked about concrete vs asphalt. Golka stated that concrete would be poured at intersections, but the street will be asphalt.

Anderson moved, seconded by Maschino to approve bid from Cornejo & Sons in the amount of \$1,216,621 to proceed with 6th Street project number 087 N-0650-01 and authorize Mayor and other authorized members to sign. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

B SOUTH MERIDIAN OVERLAY PROJECT

Golka presented a bid from Flint Hills Materials to complete asphalt overlay on Meridian from 77th to 69th Streets. He explained that while the road needs to be totally replaced, federal funding would not be available until 2025 and due to the condition of the street, the City must do something.

Kerstetter asked about source of funding. The cost of repairs will be taken out of Special Streets. Maschino and Stamm both questioned if other bids were sought and if so they would like all presented. Zellner stated that they received bids from Flint Hills Materials and Cornejo & Sons but Cornejo was much higher and they planned on feathering out the edges using less asphalt in repairs. Zellner explained that timing was also a factor. All the work on roads coming into Valley Center are scheduled so that Meridian would be completed before 93rd is closed, then 5th street would be worked on.

Anderson moved, seconded by Stamm to approve the overlay project with Flint Hills Materials along South Meridian from 77th to 69th Street in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

C WATERLINE PROJECT

Golka discussed the poor quality of current waterlines and provided a map showing the priority of replacement and a projected cost summary. He stressed that the lines are past their expected life span. Kerstetter inquired where the water lines run in relation to the street and whether drainage would be addressed at the same time. Golka reported that water lines generally run parallel to the street in the

easement and avoid running under pavement as much as possible. This project would only address water lines, but with the other street projects in the CIP, utilities can be planned for water lines as well as wastewater drainage.

Kerstetter moved, seconded by Maschino to proceed with design of the waterline replacement project, and authorize Mayor to sign the proposed design contract from PEC. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

D EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS ACQUISTION OF LAND

Maschino moved, seconded by Kerstetter to recess into executive session to discuss possible acquisition of real estate, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The open meeting will resume in the City Council chamber at 7:39 pm. Included in executive session are City Administrator Hildebrand. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Session started at 7:34pm

Mayor Dove called meeting back to order at 7:39 pm.

Maschino stated no official action was taken by Council while in executive session.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE MARCH 6, 2018

McGettigan moved, seconded by Kerstetter to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR SHRACK

The Wichita Area Builders Home Show was successful. The Valley Center booth gave out over 400 promotional gift bags. Shrack also reported that SKEDD has completed the housing survey and are compiling the map and report.

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS DIRECTOR OWINGS

With the installation of the badge security system at City Hall, he has heard that some people have been having issues with access. Please get with him following the meeting if anyone needs assistance.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ZELLNER

Zellner reported that both wells should be ready to go on line August 1st.

The department has focused on repairs and maintenance of streets. Repairs to N. Seneca and Ford Street have been completed prior to the closure of 5th Street. The Meridian Street project will improve both the actual street as well as the City image coming into Valley Center. The good weather has allowed street and sidewalk repairs to stay on schedule.

CITY ENGINEER GOLKA

Reminded Council that he is always available to answer questions. Please contact Administrator Hildebrand to schedule meetings.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS

COUNCIL MEMBER STRUNK

Works at the WSU newspaper and is concerned about cuts in funding.

Maschino moved to adjourn, second by Kerstetter. Vote Yea: Unanimous.

ADJOURN -

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk