



**M I N U T E   R E C O R D**  
**Regular Council Meeting City of Haven**

**Meeting: REGULAR**

**Date: JULY 20, 2020**

**THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION HELD AT 215 S. RENO AVENUE WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY MAYOR ADAM WRIGHT. THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WERE PRESENT:**

**Council Members: Sandra Williams, Mark Robinson, Tricia Paramore, Matt Johnson.**

**Absent: Ron Dale.**

**Others: Derek Stoll, Andrea Williams, Jennifer Hill, Stephen Schaffer, Kylie Rush, Rick Gates, Candy Beckerman, Olivia Bergmeier, Steve Phillips, Pat O'Brien, Don Ford, Peggy Ford, Jessica Stussy, Mike Mulligan, Angela Mulligan, Ethan Mulligan, Kaley Mulligan, Josh Mulligan, Don Cofer, Zach Meyer, John Niemann, Matt Hayden, Nikki Hayden, Dave Lowy and Les Banman.**

The meeting was opened with a moment of silence to honor those in military, first responders, and other public service to our country and community.

Mayor Wright suggested the addition of "Consider Proposal from Zach Meyer with Prime-Dirt for Lagoon Work." Paramore moved and Johnson seconded to approve the addition. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Ford, resident at 8 Stadium Street, spoke during public comment and expressed concerns about the drainage in the Stadium Street area. He had water in his sheds and out-buildings during a recent heavy rain. He also voiced displeasure that he had sewer water backing up into his basement over the weekend. Ford passed around photos of both concerns to Council members.

Next speaking during public comment was Kaley Mulligan. She introduced herself and spoke about what things she has done for the community as a Girl Scout, including donating the harvest to the Haven Food Bank. She would like more time to grow and harvest her crops before City work is done in alleyway near her home.

Mike Mulligan was the final person to speak during public comment. He voiced his frustration with the amount of City resources that were being spent on this alley when his daughter, Kaley, was simply trying to give back to the community by donating her harvest crops.

**Minutes**

Paramore moved and Johnson seconded to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2020, meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**Accounts Payable**

Johnson moved and Williams seconded to approve accounts payable for June 16, 2020, through July 6, 2020, totaling \$91,783.95. Motion passed unanimously.

Next, Williams moved and Johnson seconded to approve accounts payable for July 7, 2020, through July 20, 2020, totaling \$347,913.45. All members voted in favor of the same.

**Consider Proposal from Zach Meyer with Prime Dirt for Lagoon Treatment Work**

Meyer has been working with Derek Stoll to establish a plan to bring the sewer lagoons into compliance with KDHE. Prime-Dirt has created a product that bio-drudges the lagoons by overwhelming the system with good bacteria to help inhibit the growth of algae. This is a new approach to sewer lagoon treatment. The starting cost



for this treatment is approximately \$20,000. Council agreed this approach is favorable to get back into compliance. Derek will get more information and visit with City Clerk about feasibility within the budget.

#### **Consider Planning Commission's Recommendation for Special Use Permit for 109 S. Kansas Ave**

Members were provided with minutes of the most recent Planning Commission meeting, wherein the Commission recommended approval of the Beckermans' application for special use permit to operate a lodging house at 109 S. Kansas Avenue. Candy Beckerman was present to field questions from the Council. Paramore inquired that the Council had just recently approved a Special Use Permit for the same use at the same address. Assistant Clerk Williams advised that the property had recently sold and the previous permit is not transferable. Paramore then moved and Robinson seconded to approve issuance of the requested special use permit. Motion passed four to zero.

#### **Chief of Police**

##### *Presentation of Awards to Officers*

Chief Schaffer presented Officer Dave Lowy, who has been with the department for four years and in law enforcement for seven years, three awards: the Military Service Award, the Armorer Award and also the Years of Service Award, which is a bar.

Schaffer then praised Officer Matt Hayden, who started out as a reserve officer for the department in January of 2016. Hayden also serves as the department's DARE Officer and often contributes his own time and money to the community. He was presented with three awards: Years of Service Award, DARE Recognition Bar and the Chief's Award. There was a round of applause for the officers.

##### *Consider Purchase of Tonneau Cover for 2020 Police Truck*

Schaffer requested authority to purchase for the 2020 police truck a tonneau cover and window tint, which is already installed, totaling \$1,235. Paramore moved and Johnson seconded to approve the purchase. Motion passed with four "yes" votes.

#### *Updates*

Chief Schaffer provided the following department updates:

- Working on an update to the policy manual.
- Received new truck today and he is pleased with it.

#### **Kylie Rush, Park Board Chairperson: Consider Bids for Centennial Shelter Bathroom Remodel**

Members were provided with Centennial Shelter bathroom remodel bids from Marvin Mills and Dan Miller. Rush advised the Park Board's recommendation is to award the work to Marvin Mills and represented the total expenditure for the project, including labor, should be less than \$2,500. Williams moved and Johnson seconded to approve the expenditure. Motion passed four to zero.

#### **Rick Gates, EDC Chairperson: Consider EDC's Recommendation for Business Enhancement Grant to Matteson Wealth Strategies (\$2,849.08)**

Members were provided with draft minutes of the latest EDC meeting, wherein the Committee recommended approval of a Business Enhancement Grant to applicant, Matteson Wealth Strategies, totaling \$2,849.08. Members were also provided with nineteen pages of information from Matteson's application, outlining the use of the money. After brief discussion, Paramore moved and Williams seconded to approve issuance of the requested grant to Matteson Wealth Strategies. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Approve Payment to Midwest Public Risk for Property and Liability Insurance (\$45,671.10)**

This bill was briefly discussed a month or so back, and the Council was waiting to approve payment of the bill to see if Haven Community Ambulance Service wished to obtain their own policy. Since that time, there has been



only one meeting of the Ambulance Board and little discussion of the same. Midwest Public Risk has been patiently awaiting the outcome of the discussion, continuing coverage even though payment was originally due by July 1<sup>st</sup>. Paramore asked if this had been communicated to the Ambulance Board. Wright indicated it had with no response. Mayor Wright recommended to cover EMS for another year or until they can get their own policy.

Paramore moved to pay the Midwest Public Risk bill, totaling \$45,671.10 and billing EMS for their portion. Williams and Johnson indicated they would not second that motion. Ultimately, Robinson seconded Paramore's motion. Paramore and Robinson voted for, and Williams and Johnson voting in opposition, leaving the tiebreaker to Mayor Wright, who voted in favor of the motion. Wright commented that the City had to have liability coverage and Haven Community Ambulance Service should be advised that next year they would need to obtain their own policy.

#### **Derek Stoll, Public Works Director**

##### *Consider Expense for LED Streetlights*

Stoll requested authorization to spend up to \$10,000 budgeted for LED streetlights. Public Works' goal is to get all streetlights along Kansas Avenue switched out to complete a uniform look downtown. Paramore inquired if they are replacing them as they go out. Stoll said yes, and they have two left to replace. Paramore moved and Robinson seconded to approve the requested expenditure, not to exceed \$10,000, and the motion passed with four "yes" votes.

##### *Consider Expenditure to Altec for Bucket Truck Repairs (\$1,062.99)*

Members were provided with a copy of Invoice 50606678 from Altec Industries, Inc. for work done on the upper boom function of the bucket truck. Williams moved and Johnson seconded to pay the invoice. Motion passed unanimously.

#### *Updates*

- Stoll noted there have been lots of problems for Public Works the last three weeks, due to storms causing power issues and even a water line to explode. Both lift stations have had issues as well.
- Mayer has been out to empty lift station and clean sewer lines on Stadium St.
- Reno County will be out to clean their side of the ditch on Haven Road in August. This should help with drainage on Stadium.

#### **Executive Session**

At 8:15PM, Robinson moved and Paramore seconded to enter into executive session pursuant to the attorney-client privilege to discuss the pool project, with City Attorney Jennifer Hill, Assistant City Clerk Andrea Williams, and Public Works Director Derek Stoll, present, the open meeting to resume at 8:30PM.

At 8:25PM, regular session resumed with no action taken during executive session.

#### **Council Concerns**

Paramore inquired if the City had to wait until the next Council meeting to get things started with Prime-Dirt's proposal. Wright indicated that only if Council would allow him to give mayoral approval once Stoll received more information from Meyers. All members were in favor of moving on this.

Johnson asked if there was anything that could be done to help Kaley Mulligan out with her garden. After a brief discussion with Angela Mulligan, Mayor Wright gave them until September 7<sup>th</sup> to harvest their crop. Williams stated she was displeased with the ordinances being enforced on a complaint basis.

#### **Agenda Planning**

Items listed for the upcoming August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting were made known.



**Adjournment**

At 8:42PM, the meeting was adjourned after motion from Johnson and second from Paramore.

/s/  
Adam Wright, Mayor

Attest:

/s/  
Leslie Atherton, City Clerk