

# MINUTE RECORD Regular Council Meeting City of Haven

Meeting: REGULAR Date: August 7, 2017

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IN <u>REGULAR</u> SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM BY MAYOR, ADAM WRIGHT. THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WERE PRESENT:

Council Members: Les Banman, Shauna Schoepf-Pearce, Steve Carmichael, Philip Kauffman (following swearing-

in).

**Absent: Sandra Williams.** 

Others: Leslie Atherton, Cole Rush, Joey Young, Larry LaPierre, Ron Hirst, Susan Stucky, Philip Kauffman, Dave Lowy, Mark Robinson, Taylor Bredfeldt, Kyndal Brening.

The meeting was opened with the flag salute and followed with a moment to honor those who have served in the military, First Responders, and other Public Service to our Country and Community.

No one signed up to speak during public comment time. Mayor Wright indicated the 7:50 PM agenda item regarding real estate would need to be discussed in open session rather than executive session. Schoepf-Pearce moved and Carmichael seconded to revise the agenda as such. Motion carried.

#### Minutes

Carmichael moved and Schoepf-Pearce seconded to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2017, meeting. Motion carried.

## **Accounts Payable**

Atherton outlined the major items on the Accounts Payable listing and noted the amount to Haven Sign is \$250 more than the original approval awarded due to the City changing orders mid-stream. She noted that if they approve the A/P as written, they'll be approving that expenditure as well. If they wish to not pay the additional \$250, the totals will need to be adjusted.

Banman moved and Carmichael seconded to approve accounts payable to Shep Chevrolet, totaling \$396.62. Schoepf-Pearce abstained due to her relationship to the vendor. Motion passed unanimously.

Next, Banman moved and Schoepf-Pearce seconded to approve all other accounts payable, totaling \$269,566.92. Motion passed three to zero.

Members were provided with financial reports for the month of July 2017, including a summary of receipts and disbursements, comparison of budgeted to actual expenditures, and reconciliation of Jayhawk Utility receipts to money deposited into utility accounts.

# Public Hearing on 2018 Budget Proposal

Mayor Wright opened the floor for public hearing on the 2018 budget proposal. Atherton advised that Nolde made the changes suggested at the July meeting. No public comment was made. At 7:08 PM, the public hearing was closed. Next, Schoepf-Pearce moved and Carmichael seconded to adopt 2018 budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Commissioner Ron Hirst: Update from Reno County Commission**

Commissioner Hirst provided an update from the Reno County Commission:



- Commission is planning on having meetings in the different communities periodically. Haven's will likely be in late Spring.
- Hirst is looking at putting together a tour of Haven and Pretty Prairie. He said he would love to have business owners involved to talk about their businesses.
- Bridge and paving bids are coming in considerably under estimates. He discussed the need for the 43rd Street bridge to be redone.
- Commission adopted a new burning resolution for pasture and CRP burning, which is more in line with state statutes. This information will be readily available at renogov.org. No longer will one call 911 to determine burning permit; instead, one should call 620.694.2800.
- Hirst reiterated that he is at our service, and he is glad to answer any questions any of us might have.

Mayor Wright inquired about the repaving of Haven Buhler Road, whether it will be milled out the next time it is paved. He commented that it is crowned up so much that it has become a drainage problem. Hirst advised he would look into it and let Wright know the next time that is on the agenda.

#### **Executive Session**

Schoepf-Pearce moved and Banman seconded that the Council recess into executive session pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception in order to discuss job performance with Mark Robinson, pool manager, Konner Brening, assistant manager, and lifeguards, Taylor Bredfeldt, Haley Hedrick, Kyndal Brening, and Kasey Jenkins, the open meeting to resume at 7:43 PM. Motion passed unanimously. (However, Konner Brening, Haley Hedrick, and Kasey Jenkins were all absent.)

At 7:43 PM, regular session resumed with no action taken during executive session. Then Schoepf-Pearce moved and Banman seconded that the Council recess into executive session pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception in order to discuss job performance with Mark Robinson, pool manager, and lifeguards, Taylor Bredfeldt and Kyndal Brening, the open meeting to resume at 7:53 PM. Motion carried.

At 7:53 PM, regular session resumed with no action taken during executive session. Next, Schoepf-Pearce moved to suspend Taylor Bredfeldt, Kyndal Brening, Haley Hedrick, and Konner Brening for the remainder of the pool season but noted they are open to apply next season. Carmichael seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

## Approve Appointment to Fill Council Vacancy / Swear-in New Council Member

Mayor Wright recommended appointment of Philip Kauffman to fill the Council seat vacated by his movement to the Mayor position and asked for the Council's approval. Carmichael moved and Banman seconded to approve the appointment, and the motion passed unanimously. Next, City Clerk, Leslie Atherton, swore in Kauffman and he took his seat at the table.

## Susan Stucky, Fall Festival Committee: Hear Updates / Requests from HFF Committee

Stucky provided an update on this year's planned festivities. This year there will be a live band on Friday night and a DJ on Saturday night. Fireworks display will be moved up time-wise so that everything can be done by 10:00 PM on Saturday night. She expressed gratitude for the City's support with the festivities.

Stucky advised the Fall Festival Committee would like to pursue a beer garden this year and asked for Council approval of the same. They feel this could be accomplished best in a contained area such as a fenced off area east of the four-way stop at the center of town. The Chamber would be willing to apply and pay for the license from the State of Kansas.

Atherton asked if this would change the Friday Night event. Stucky said it would not. Atherton asked if the alcohol served would be 3.2% or full-strength. Schoepf-Pearce advised it would be full strength. Chief Rush was asked his opinion of the idea. He said he is never a fan of drinking in public, particularly when his department is short-



staffed, but if the Council thinks it is appropriate, he'll find a way to work it out. Carmichael felt it might be better to shorten the hours the beer garden is open.

# Kylie Rush, Park Board: Consider Increased Bill from Haven Sign

This matter was taken care of during Accounts Payable approval.

## Consider Taking Bids on Ground on 1st Street

Atherton noted that Reno County is taking bids on the piece of ground between the storage units and the City's fenced in lot on 1<sup>st</sup> Street. The County was unaware they even owned the property until Ideatek approached them about purchasing the lot to expand the storage units. Ideatek has contacted the City as they understand the City might be interested to secure access to their lot to the west. However, to gain access to the lot, the City would require a considerable piece of the ground being sold, and without that access, the lot simply isn't that useful. In light of the fact that Ideatek plans to expand and place the property back onto the tax roll, the better consideration might be selling the City's lot as well. Atherton indicated that this is the direction she and Pell are leaning, and Ideatek has indicated they would be interested. The Council, by way of consensus, agreed to move forward with the process of taking bids on the property and set the minimum bid amount at \$6,400, the County's valuation of the property. Atherton will bring a revised Invitation for Bids to the next Council meeting.

#### **Consider Revised Library Lease**

Atherton presented to the Council a revised library lease as approved by City Attorney, Larry Bolton. Schoepf-Pearce moved and Banman seconded to enter into the ten-year lease. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Chief of Police Updates:**

Rush provided the following updates:

- Chief Rush was on vacation last week.
- The Impala's blower motor is out; the work is covered under warranty.
- The Department is still waiting on a contractor to address their air conditioner problems.
- Rush hopes to get started on building again soon.

# **Public Works Director Updates:**

Pell was absent. Mayor Wright delivered the following updates:

- Public Works rethought the building expansion and came up with an alternate plan.
- They had to re-dig up the water main that supplied water to the berm area. It wasn't tapped right.
- Public Works is documenting power outages and the reason for the same.
- Water treatment facility is operating differently and better but the new way of running it will use more salt and therefore increase expense.

### **Council Concerns**

Schoepf-Pearce asked if the Booster Club could use the tennis courts and access electricity for the Spirit Night dance, which is August 25th. By way of consensus, this was approved.

Governing body members discussed preparations for the all employee appreciation event scheduled for Sunday, August 13th.

# Agenda Planning -- Items for August 21, 2017

Items posted for August 21, 2017, were read aloud.

## **Adjournment**

At 8:38 PM, Carmichael moved and Banman seconded for adjournment. The motion passed unanimously.



/s/ Adam Wright, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Leslie Atherton, City Clerk