

MINUTE RECORD Regular Council Meeting City of Haven

Meeting: REGULAR Date: August 21, 2017

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

Council Members: Les Banman, Shauna Schoepf-Pearce, Philip Kauffman, Sandra Williams.

Absent: Mayor Adam Wright.

Others: Leslie Atherton, Cole Rush, Joey Young, Rob Pell, Sherri Schneider, Carrie Baker, Vicki Allam, Carl Myers.

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. Williams requested the addition of "Appointment to Ambulance Board" to the agenda. Banman moved and Williams seconded to approve the revision. Motion carried.

Minutes

Banman moved and Schoepf-Pearce seconded to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2017, and August 14, 2017, meetings. Motion carried, though Williams abstained due to her absence from the August 7, 2017, meeting.

Accounts Payable

Schoepf-Pearce moved and Williams seconded to approve accounts payable, totaling \$178,022.56. Motion passed unanimously.

Sherri Schneider, Recreation Board Chairperson

Consider Recommendation to Hire Secretary

Schneider noted the Board recently reviewed applications and conducted interviews for the Secretary / Treasurer position. Ultimately, the Board voted to recommend Adria Snyder for the open position. Schoepf-Pearce moved and Banman seconded to hire Snyder at a rate of \$1,800 per year. Motion passed unanimously.

Quarterly Update

Schneider asked for the Council's approval to appoint Shelli Rettig as a non-voting Recreation Board member. Williams moved to approve the appointment. Schoepf-Pearce seconded, and the motion carried.

Carrie Baker: Quarterly Update from Park Board

Baker advised the Park Board will be moving forward with the parking lot project north of the ball diamond. Drainage will be a focus of that project. Then the Board will turn to landscaping around the new sign at 5th and Haven Buhler. Once that's complete, the next priority will be the tennis courts and the play equipment area.

Consider Paddock Pools' Proposal for Pool Design

Members were provided with a copy of a letter / proposal from Donald Paddock of Paddock Pools, dated August 13, 2017. For \$6,500, Paddock would complete steps one through five listed in the proposal. This expenditure is not budgeted for 2017. It's budgeted for 2018. However, 2017 funds budgeted for a shop generator will not be used this year so the expenditure could potentially come from there as the plan is to pursue the generator next year anyway. Williams moved and Schoepf-Pearce seconded to proceed with the proposal at \$6,500. Motion passed unanimously.



Consider Invitation for Bids on 400 E. First

Members were provided with a copy of the proposed Invitation for Bids as crafted by Atherton. She advised the City Attorney approved it as written. Schoepf-Pearce moved and Banman seconded to issue the invitation as written. Motion passed five to zero.

Adopt Ordinance Implementing Longevity Raise

Banman moved and Williams seconded to adopt Ordinance 667, implementing a longevity raise for Chief Rush. All members voted in favor of the same.

Discuss Chamber's Request for Fall Festival Beer Garden

Department Heads met with Schoepf-Pearce, Fall Festival Committee member, to discuss logistics of safely and successfully holding a beer garden at this year's Fall Festival. Atherton advised that per Midwest Public Risk the City should require the Chamber to obtain general liability insurance of \$2 million for bodily injury and property damage and list the City as an additional insured. She recommended not adopting a resolution in support of the permit and event until a certificate is in hand indicating that requirement has been met. However, she thought if the Council wished to approve the event and move forward, they could make a motion as such so the Chamber could feel comfortable obtaining and paying for the coverage.

Banman said he didn't think a beer garden was a good fit for a family festival with a Dr. Seuss theme aimed at children, and there are enough citizens opposed to it that he would be their voice. Kauffman said he has been around long enough to know that people can get out of hand, and he wouldn't want such an event held without sufficient coverage. Chief Rush advised he plans to have sufficient coverage, and if he needs assistance, he will ask Reno County Sheriff's Office for a few guys. Williams moved to approve the request for the Beer Garden, contingent upon the Chamber obtaining insurance. Kauffman seconded. Motion passed with Kauffman and Williams voting in favor, Schoepf-Pearce abstaining, and Banman voting in opposition.

Rob Pell, Public Works Director:

Consider Purchase of Meters from Ark Valley

Pell requested authorization to purchase slightly used meters from Ark Valley at a reduced cost. There's approximately \$3500 budgeted for this endeavor. Schoepf-Pearce moved and Kauffman seconded to authorize the purchase not to exceed \$3500. Motion passed.

Consider Bids for Low Water Crossing

Members were provided with a copy of a quote from APAC-Kansas, Inc. for work to be done at the low water crossing near the burn site. There's approximately \$24,000 budgeted for this project. APAC's quote came in at \$19,408.50. Pell noted he attempted to get bids from three other contractors. APAC was the only company that turned in a proper bid. Banman moved and Kauffman seconded to award the work to APAC-Kansas. Motion carried.

Consider Proposed Ordinance regarding PURPA

Members were provided with a letter and copy of proposed ordinance from Mark Chesney of Kansas Power Pool regarding the Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act. Atherton advised that according to the letter PURPA dictates that if a "Qualifying Facility," which one may read as a solar or wind installation, is constructed within any electric utility's service territory, that utility must purchase energy from the developer at the utility's avoided cost or greater. KPP says the "avoided cost" should be read as the "Energy" amount on the KPP bill plus the Energy Cost Adjustment. Just as an example, according to the KPP bill for June usage, this amount would be \$29,415.69. The City would still receive a bill from KPP for demand charges and other energy charges as typically shown, meaning the amount by which the monthly bill would possibly be reduced, if at all, would be insignificant. The risk of cost exposure may be quite significant though. Therefore, KPP is asking member cities to consider adopting an ordinance securing a waiver of such purchase obligation. Then if the situation were to occur, KPP would make



application to the FERC to assume the purchase obligation in place of the City. This would then spread out the cost exposure among all member cities. Carl Myers of KPP was in attendance and fielded questions about the proposed ordinance. Ultimately, Banman moved to adopt Ordinance 668. Schoepf-Pearce seconded, and the motion carried.

Appointment to Ambulance Board

Williams proposed the appointment of Vicki Allam to the Ambulance Board as a City of Haven representative. According to Williams, Allam is Registered Nurse with a degree in Business Management as well as an ordained Methodist minister, and "she is well-versed in conflict resolution." Schoepf-Pearce said she thought the Ambulance Board may have already approached Gavin Tate about the vacancy. She will follow up on that to see if he has been approached and this topic will be taken up again on September 5th.

Chief of Police Updates:

Rush provided the following updates:

- Officer Hayden is at a Parent Teacher Organization meeting as part of his DARE duties.
- The State submitted to the City a check for \$500 to offset the expense in sending Officer Hayden to DARE training.
- Chief Rush has been made aware of the problem of dog walkers not cleaning up after their dogs.

Public Works Director Updates:

Pell delivered the following updates:

- Pool is now closed. Public Works will focus on winterizing.
- A few water repairs are scheduled for this week.
- Street repairs may take place dependent on weather.
- Still waiting on fire hydrants to come in.
- Wire is in so replacement of open secondary will be on the to-do list as well.
- Public Works has focused heavily on tree trimming.
- For the last month, the water treatment facility has operated rather seamlessly.
- Still working on lagoon issues. Irrigation may be an inexpensive option to solve the permit woes.
- The electrical at Engweiler Park still needs to be buried underground.
- Schoepf-Pearce suggested taking Kauffman on a Public Works tour.
- Public Works will remove the diving board and pergola cover and put it away for the Winter.

Council Concerns

Williams commented on the dog messes that have been occurring regularly on Kansas Avenue sidewalks.

Agenda Planning -- Items for September 5, 2017

Items posted for September 5, 2017, were read aloud.

Adjournment

At 8:09 PM, Schoepf-Pearce moved and Banman seconded for adjournment. The motion passed unanimously.

/s/ Adam Wright, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Leslie Atherton, City Clerk