

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Monday, July 10, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted at the Hastings Public Library, 314 N. Denver Avenue, on July 10, 2023.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session by Mayor Stutte with the following members present: Shawn Hartmann, Matt Fong, Marc Rowan, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley, Butch Eley, Joy Huffaker. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm.

The following City Officials were present: City Administrator, Shawn Metcalf; City Attorney, Jesse Oswald; Utility Manager, Kevin Johnson; City Clerk, Kimberly Jacobitz; Police Chief, Adam Story; Assistant Fire Chief, Troy Vorderstrasse; Parks & Recreation Director, Jeff Hassenstab; Finance Director, Roger Nash; Information Technology Director, Erik Nielsen; Information Technology, Kirk Layton; Director of Engineering, Lee Vrooman; Director of Development Services, Chad Bunker; Director of Human Resources, Lori Hartman; Library Director, Amy Dissmeyer; Director of Safety, Trent Clark; Chief Building Official, Kevin Kubo.

The Mayor led the group in recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Moved by Butch Eley seconded by Matt Fong to adopt the agenda for the July 10, 2023 Regular Meeting, removing agenda items 3(a) and 4(a). Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Saturday, July 8, 2023. Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material which will be discussed at today's meeting is available for public review. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted and accessible to members of the public.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

Councilmember Fong reported on the library night coming up at Duncan Field on July 27th.

Councilmember Rowan reminded citizens of the Ward 3 Townhall meeting scheduled on August 24th at the Hastings Museum.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Stutte recognized service anniversaries for Kellen Fraser, Utility, 10; Matthew Pohlmeier, Police, 5; Josiah Young, Fire, 5.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. All Consent Items.

Moved by Matt Fong seconded by Shawn Hartmann to approve all consent items, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

(a) Approval of the minutes of the Council Meeting of June 26, 2023

(b) Approval of the minutes of the Worksession of June 19, 2023.

(c) Approval of claims and payroll except the claim of Eldon's Automotive Repair

- (d) Behind the Scenes monthly Department Head report for June, 2023
- (e) Department annual reports
- (f) Approval of the request of Pacha Soap Co. and Allo Communications to utilize City property for Pacha Soap Co. and Allo Communications Downtown Celebration on August 24, 2023
- (g) Approval of the request of No Coast Brewing, LLC dba First Street Brewing Company for a Special Designated Liquor License for the Pacha Soap Co. and Allo Communications Downtown Celebration event at 119 N. St. Joseph Avenue on August 24, 2023
- (h) Approval of the request of Special Olympics Nebraska to utilize City property for the Special Olympics Truck Convoy on September 16, 2023
- (i) Approval of the request of Kool-Aid Days to utilize City property for the Kool-Aid Days Fun Run on August 20, 2023
- (j) Approval of the request of Kool-Aid Days to utilize City property for the Kool-Aid Days Parade on August 19, 2023

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

None.

3. Public Hearings.

- (a) Item removed during adoption of agenda.

4. General Business.

- (a) Item removed during adoption of agenda.

(b) Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by Butch Eley to approve claim of Eldon's Automotive Repair in the amount of \$1,436.50 (City). Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Abstain: Joy Huffaker. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

(c) Moved by Shawn Hartmann seconded by Joy Huffaker to approve hangar land lease with Delta Golf LLC for the purpose of constructing a private hangar and leasing land on Hastings Municipal Airport. Matt Kuhr reported that the Hastings Municipal Airport received one application from Delta Golf, LLC to construct a private hanger on airport land. The application met all the necessary requirements as set forth in Resolution 2023-12. City building code requirements will be adhered to. The hangar will house two planes and open up two spots on the airfield, which are already spoken for. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

(d) Moved by Matt Fong seconded by Butch Eley to approve an agreement with Flowserve US Inc. for the City to rebuild Customer Distribution System. Lee Vrooman reported that the City will be 100% reimbursed for the rebuild of Flowserve's electric distribution system. Flowserve will own and maintain all primary electrical equipment for the electric rate structure they have chosen, and thus receive a discount on the demand charge. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

5. Ordinances and Resolutions.

- (a) ORDINANCE NO. 4739 VACATING THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THE ALLEY LOCATED ON SOUTH STREET BETWEEN SOUTH KANSAS AVENUE AND SOUTH COLORADO AVENUE, HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

Jesse Oswald reported that City Council approved the conveyance of this alley to the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) at our last City Council meeting. It was subsequently determined

that only a portion of this conveyed alley was in fact previously vacated. Therefore, this ordinance will give the effect of vacating the entire alley, so it can be properly conveyed to the CRA.

Said Ordinance was read by title and thereafter Councilmember Shawn Hartmann moved for passage of the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Brad Consbruck. Upon roll call vote the following Councilmembers voted Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

Councilmember Shawn Hartmann moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended; Councilmember Butch Eley seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote the following Councilmembers voted Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three fourths vote of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance. The ordinance is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

6. Final Passage of Ordinances.

None.

7. Appointments.

(a) Amend appointments to Museum Board, previously adopted

Moved by Matt Fong seconded by Shawn Hartmann to rescind the appointments of Museum Board members Nicole Felber, Kristen Schlehta, and Jamey Hamburger due to incorrect terms previously being assigned and to immediately appoint Nicole Felber, term ending 8/1/2023, Kristen Schlehta, term ending 8/1/2024; and Jamey Hamburger, term ending 8/1/2025. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

8. Miscellaneous and Other Business.

(a) Karren Carnes - Suggestions for rebuilding trust

Moved by Butch Eley seconded by Shawn Hartmann there being no further business to come before the council to adjourn at 5:55 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Marc Rowan, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Brad Consbruck, Steve Huntley. Nays: None. Absent: Jeniffer Beahm. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

Corey Stutte, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly S. Jacobitz, City Clerk

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