

White City Council Minutes December 1, 2014

The regular meeting of the White City Council was called to order on Monday December 1st, 2014 in the McKnight Community Center at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Terry Wright. Roll call was taken: present—Tammy Byers, Kim Kuper, Jackie Pike, Wayne Kelm and Deborah Hopfinger.

Wright added an item under the other category for a Conditional Use Permit. The agenda was presented for approval. Motion made by Kelm, seconded by Pike to approve the agenda; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

The minutes of the November 3rd regular meeting were read. Motion made by Kuper, seconded by Byers to approve the minutes as read; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

The following bills were presented for payment:

Byers asked about the ITC bill. Motion made by Byers, seconded by Pike to approve payment of all bills; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

At 7:05 p.m. the Council welcomed Chris Willmott with the White Fire Department. He asked for the Council to approve adding Dylan Schwartz to the fire department. Motion was made by Byers, seconded by Pike to approve adding Schwartz; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

Finance Office, Melanie Haber, notified the Council that the city received a \$2,000 Economic Development Grant from Heartland Power to be used toward our McKnight Hall renovation project.

Haber presented the Council with a final draft of the McKnight Hall Rental Agreement. Motion was made by Byers, seconded by Kelm to approve of the finalized contract; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

Haber also addressed an issue with a wedding conflict brought to her attention for June 20, 2015. A wedding party had the date rented over a year in advance, but it falls on the same day as the Brookings Singles Dance. Haber has contacted the Brookings Singles Club to notify them that they will need to reschedule or relocate their dance for that day.

Mayor Wright addressed the White Community Club about some issues that have arisen. Members present included Tracia & Mark Houge and Tom & Mavis Willmott. Wright stated that there have been comments made throughout the community about underage drinking and serving as well as abusing the liquor license. He was notified that after an event in the hall, the club members stuck around and drank after the renters had left. Tracia Houge apologized for any misunderstandings and addressed these issues. Tom Willmott also apologized and stated that no more issues would arise. Hall Custodian, Erik Gutormson, also asked the club to clean up the kitchen after using it. The Community Club stated that it is very rare that the kitchen is a mess when they leave, but they will be aware from now on.

The Council was presented with the McKnight Hall Construction Manager Contract from Robbins Construction. Robbins included a 3% management fee atop the final bill. The contract was reviewed by city attorney Jesse Ronning and no concerns were presented.

Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Byers to approve of this contract; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

Dan DeYoung, City Maintenance Superintendent, stated that the snow plow was broke down and is getting fixed in Sioux Falls. He estimated the repair cost to be near \$18,000. He is expected to have it back by Christmas. The city will use Willmott Gravel for back-up if needed. He also stated that he will be hanging Christmas decorations this week.

Haber asked the Council to set a year-end meeting. The Council decided on December 29th at 6:30pm. Motion was made by Kelm, seconded by Hopfinger; roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried. The Legion was asked if they felt that the McKnight Hall kitchen phone needed to be kept. They decided to leave it. Haber also presented the Council with an e-mail from city attorney, Jesse Ronning, regarding the occupancy limit restrictions. Haber will write up an ordinance to be reviewed in January.

Some old business was discussed including an update nuisance report on an old she that needs to be removed and the welcome to White signs. Councilmember, Tammy Byers, stated that the west and east signage will be complete in the spring.

Upcoming meeting dates included:

- December 29, 2014 – City Council Special Meeting, McKnight Hall 6:30pm
- January 5, 2015 – Next regular City Council Meeting, McKnight Hall 7pm

Public comments: None.

The contract law report was read.

No correspondence.

No nuisance reports.

Conditional Use Permit 2014-1-C was submitted by Jon & Michelle Petersen asking to leave 2 sheds located on the south side of property as is even though they are located in the vacated alley. Motion was made by Hopfinger, seconded by Pike to approve the application and to proceed with the public hearing at the December 29th Special Meeting. Dan DeYoung asked the Council to consider getting a new mower for the 2015 year. The current mower has 1,100 hours on it and in the past they have traded up every 10 years. The city has had this mower for 8 years.

After reviewing the financial statements presented to the council, motion made by Pike, seconded by Kuper to approve statements. Roll call vote taken with all present voting aye; motion carried.

With no further business to come before the Council, motion made by Hopfinger seconded by Pike to adjourn; all present voting aye; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Terry Wright, Mayor

Melanie Haber, Finance Officer