

MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order with Roll Call by Mayor Rick Walker.

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| Roll Call: | Lane | Present | Ritter | Present |
| | Daniels | Present | Murdock | Present |
| | Honomichl | Present | | |

Mayor Walker led the Pledge of Allegiance. Citizens signed the book on page 86.

Consent Agenda Items will be acted upon by one motion unless a Council member requests an item be removed for discussion and separate action.

1. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approve Minutes of the Council Meeting on June 4, 2020.
 - b. Approve Pay Ordinance No. 880.

Motion by Council member Murdock to approve the Consent Agenda; second by Ritter.

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| Roll Call: | Lane | Yes | Ritter | Yes |
| | Daniels | Yes | Murdock | Yes |
| | Honomichl | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

2. Call to Public:

"Members of the public are welcome to use this time to comment about any matter relating to City business not listed on this Agenda. The comments that are discussed under Call to Public may or may not be acted upon by the Council during this meeting. **There is a four-minute time limit.** Please stand and wait to be recognized by the Mayor. You must state your name and address."

No one appeared.

PROCLAMATION honoring Lillian June Davison celebrating her 105th birthday on June 20th, 2020.

3. Old Business:
 - a. Approve Fireworks Sales Permit Applications for 2020. Administrator Brungardt commented on the fireworks application process and the permits being issued.

Motion by Council member Ritter to approve the permit for De Soto United Methodist Church/Jakes Fireworks and waive the permit fee; second by Daniels.

Roll Call: Lane Yes Ritter Yes
Daniels Yes Murdock Yes
Honomichl Yes

Motion carried.

Motion by Council member Ritter to approve the permit for Garrett's Worldwide Fireworks; second by Murdock.

Roll Call: Lane Yes Ritter Yes
Daniels Yes Murdock Yes
Honomichl Yes

Motion

Motion by Council member Ritter to approve the permit for De Soto VFW Post #6654 and waive the permit; second by Lane.

Roll Call: Lane Yes Ritter Yes
Daniels Yes Murdock Yes
Honomichl Yes

Motion carried.

4. New Business:

- a. Consider Lease Agreement for Street Department Backhoe. Administrator Brungardt provided the replacement program and the master lease with Murphy Tractor. This year there is \$18,000 budgeted this year. This is a five-year lease with a buyout option at the end. Discussion by Attorney Reavey on the buy-back contract at the end of the lease period.

Motion by Council member Murdock to authorize the City Administrator to accept the proposal from Murphy Tractor for the five-year lease for the backhoe in the annual amount of \$17,455.66, contingent on further review of the contract by the City Attorney; second by Daniels.

Roll Call: Lane Yes Ritter Yes
Daniels Yes Murdock Yes
Honomichl Yes

Motion carried.

- b. Consider Bids for Repair of Lights at Sunflower Ball Fields. Administrator Brungardt explained the damage from the storm on May 4, 2020. Two bids were received for repairs. The amount will have to come from the General Fund.

Motion by Council member Murdock to accept the bid proposal from Brandy Electric in the amount of \$11,300; second by Ritter.

Roll Call: Lane Yes Ritter Yes
Daniels Yes Murdock Yes
Honomichl Yes

Motion carried.

Motion by Council member Murdock to move Item 4c to the last item in New Business; second by Ritter.

All Council approved by “Ayes”.

Motion carried.

- c. Discuss 2021 Draft Budget and 5-Year Projections. Administrator Brungardt said this year has been different with the COVID-19 impacts on the revenue projections. He commented on the data, and an important regional economic projection. The overall picture for sales tax collections are less dismal than first anticipated. He explained the recession as discussed in the MARC report. The City’s sales tax revenues run two months behind before payment is received and recorded. He commented on the 2021 General Fund Expense Considerations. He then explained the reductions for Personnel, Vehicle & Equipment Replacement, Building Preservation Funds, Road Maintenance Program, and Economic Development. There are no changes to the 2021 water and sewer budgets from what was presented in May to Council.

Council member Honomichl asked about the forecasts and projections. He commented on the sales tax and property tax. He doesn’t feel we know enough about what generates the City’s sales tax. How variable is the City’s sales tax from the retail base? How has the unemployment affected our community? Discussion.

Council member Daniels commented on the sales tax revenues and the portion of sales tax the City receives from Johnson County. Administrator Brungardt said he would like to know more and possibly engage Columbia Capital in the discussions.

No further comments.

- d. Approve Final Plat for Carriage Houses Phase 9. Administrator Brungardt said this final plat is the same as the previous plats. He explained the condominium process and the location of the interior walls. This is the ninth building of the plat.

Motion by Council member Murdock to accept the easements and rights-of-way of the Carriage House #9 Final Plat; second by Ritter.

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| Roll Call: | Lane | Yes | Ritter | Yes |
| | Daniels | Yes | Murdock | Yes |
| | Honomichl | Yes | Mayor | Yes |

Motion carried.

- e. Permit for Archery for deer hunting on Property at 31850 West 89th Street. Attorney Reavey said this is an annual permit Council has approved for several years. The property owners have sent the required letters to adjoining property owners. This will allow deer hunting during the regular deer season with bow and arrow. The adjoining property is in the next agenda item.

Motion by Council member Murdock to approve Resolution No. 1030 Granting Application for 31850 W. 89th Street archery permit; second by Daniels.

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| Roll Call: | Lane | Yes | Ritter | Yes |
| | Daniels | Yes | Murdock | Yes |
| | Honomichl | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

- f. Permit for Archery for deer hunting on 20-acre parcel just to East of 31850 West 89th Street.

Motion by Council member Murdock to approve Resolution No. 1031 Granting Application for a 20-acre parcel just East of 31850 W. 89th Street for archery permit; second by Daniels.

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| Roll Call: | Lane | Yes | Ritter | Yes |
| | Daniels | Yes | Murdock | Yes |
| | Honomichl | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

5. Executive Session: N/A

6. Advisory Reports:

- a. City Administrator, Mike Brungardt, provided Council with the approved plat of Brook West Estates II. There is an additional need for an easement and the sidewalk delayed improvements that are now a part of the revised plat.

Motion by Council member Daniels to approve the Revised Final Plat of Brook West Estates II; second by Murdock.

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| Roll Call: | Lane | Yes | Ritter | Yes |
| | Daniels | Yes | Murdock | Yes |
| | Honomichl | Yes | Mayor | Yes |

Motion carried.

Administrator Brungardt said smoke testing will be done in the DeMeadows sanitary sewers next week. He commented on the notifications that will be provided to the residents. Discussion ensued on who will be present during the testing, and Administrator Brungardt said there will be.

- b. City Attorney, Patrick Reavey, no report.
- c. City Planner, Brad Weisenburger, not present.
- d. City Clerk, Lana McPherson, no report.

7. Council & Mayor Comments:

No further comments from Murdock.

Council member Daniels said the right-of-way mowing has received some concerns as the trees are being trimmed and clean up needs to happen. Council member Daniels asked if there is any update on when Jakes Fireworks is going to be open. Administrator Brungardt said they were issued a Temporary Occupancy Permit issued last week. Discussion. Council member Murdock asked why a Temporary Occupancy Permit was issued since that was discussed at the last Council meeting. Administrator Brungardt said there were no issues found to deny a Temporary Occupancy Permit. Further discussion ensued.

Council member Daniels commented that his home air conditioner died during the heat last week. It was really nice to deal with local businesses and banks who take care of citizens well.

Council member Ritter said he received a complaint about the mowing on 87th Street. The contractor mowing has seemed to decline and the trimming isn't what it used to be. There was no weed-eating done around any of the poles on 95th Street and the grass is over a foot high.

Council member Ritter commented on the 40-hour deputy that is coming to De Soto. It would be nice to meet the officers.

Council member Ritter said the property owner on High Street is happy with the improvements. Staff will get back with him on the street discussion.

Council member Lane had no further comments.

Council member Honomichl asked Administrator Brungardt about the culvert repair costs with Sunflower Redevelopment Group. Staff is working with Sunflower on several economic matters, but nothing further on the culvert costs.

Mayor Walker sent the Council members an invite on a webinar next week. He said Johnson County received CARES Act funding. The County has understood that they are to share that with the cities within the county. He is afraid the discussions are going to take a long while and jump through a lot of hoops, rather than just giving the money to the cities. Perhaps an email or a call to our County Commissioner and the Chair might be helpful in getting approval to dole out the funds. Cities can manage the funds as well as anyone from the County can.

No further comments.

Motion by Council member Murdock to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.; second by Honomichl.

All Council approved by "ayes."

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Lana R. McPherson, MMC, City Clerk