



City of Saint George, KS

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF GOVERNING BODY

November 15, 2019

7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Mayor Tim Pralle	<u>X</u>	Iris Holloway	<u>X</u>
Chris Collins	<u>X</u>	Debby Werth	<u>X</u>
Steve Zimmerman	<u>X</u>	Rodney Hoover	<u>A</u>

4. Consenting Agenda:

- a. Approval of October Regular Meeting and Special Meeting Minutes; and September Financial Statement.
*Debby Werth made a motion to accept the consenting agenda items. Steve Zimmerman seconded the motion.
Motion Carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays*

5. Unfinished/Old Business:

- a. 6th Street Improvements – Update
*Mayor Pralle updated Council on the numbers we received from Jon Small if we were to go with a GO Bond for this project. It was recommended that we go with a GO Bond with the size of the Street project, and to do a 15 year rather than a 20 year or a 10 year. Debby Werth made a recommendation that we go with the 15 year. After a brief discussion, Debby Werth made a motion to do a 15 year financing and signing a contract with BG Consultants to design the project.
Iris Holloway seconded the motion.
Motion Carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays*
- b. Chapman Rd Drainage – Update
City Operator, Ben Wheeler gave an update on the project. It is near completion, will add AB3 on top of the larger rock and will fill holes in the spring when we can do asphalt.
- c. Driveway Repairs – 206 Grant St
City Operator, Ben Wheeler updated council on this project, stating that they have found there may be more issues and that they are going to investigate more before they make a final decision on how to fix this.

6. New Business:

- a. 416 2nd St – Structure Violation
The owners from 416 2nd St talked to council about what they could do for an extension on the structure violation. They would like to see if the fire dept could use the building for training. City Council decided to give them 30 more days and the City will contact the Pott Co Fire Dep to see if this building can be used for training.
- b. 2020 Holiday Approval
*Iris Holloway made a motion to accept the 2020 Holiday Schedule.
Steve Zimmerman seconded the motion.
Motion Carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays*
- c. Water Project – Brian Foster
*Brian Foster updated city council on the bids for water system improvements. His recommendation was to award to J and K for 1,139,333.00 contingent on acquiring easements.
Chris Collins made a motion to award J and K Contracting the water wells and transmission main improvement contract for \$11,139,333.00 contingent on acquisition of all necessary easements, and authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to process all Contract Documents and proceed with construction.*

Steve Zimmerman seconded the motion.

Motion Carried with 4 Ayes 0 Nays

d. Vacating street at 105 S Lincoln

The City will have a public hearing about vacating the street dividing the lot of 105 S Lincoln. Council agreed to move forward with this.

7. Department Reports:

City Council: *Iris Holloway had two things that citizens had discussed with him. First being we have a lot of pt police officers, yet we have no early morning coverage and during morning school hours. Debby Werth mentioned that she sees officers in the school zone every morning, not only city but county and sometimes both. Also a concern with the Police Vehicle not being marked with more than a badge. Mayor Pralle stated as of right now it is marked and doesn't see that it needs changed, he has no plans on moving forward with more markings for the vehicle.*

Debby Werth talked about the Comprehensive Plan and the information she had collected to start this program for the City.

Law Enforcement: *Debby Werth suggested making a post on the Facebook page about walking in color when its dark out so you can be seen. Chief Trechter said he would work on this and thanked her for the suggestion.*

Planning and Zoning: *Hans Tessman had a few things he wanted to bring to Council after talking with residents during his campaign. Mr. Tessman mentioned a list of school, police, water prices, communication, street lights, 6th st, and being able to pay off Specials in the City early. River View Hills residents have concerns with putting 5th and 6th graders on a bus with 7th-High School students when the new building at Rock Creek is completed. Not sure if the police vehicle is State or City, Chris Collins pointed out it shouldn't matter; you still need to slow down.*

Mr Tessman told Council they needed to be more involved with Pott Co Commission, and attend their meetings.

If there are permits brought to the City they need to go through Planning and Zoning Chair and if not the business or project needs to be shut down. Shawn Cheever wanted to thank Debby Werth for all of her time that she has put into the comprehensive strategic planning for the City. Mr Cheever explained the Comprehensive Plan. It is a plan that looks 20 years ahead, helps keep consistency and moving forward with community growth. We will need to do surveys, and get action and focus groups put together. Will need to have a lot of transparency and communication with citizens. This will open up options for grants and money to fund for the City.

8. Open Comments:

William Liming at 309 1st st has an issue with an ordinance. He thinks the codes should be more specific as to what they entail if the city is going to site residents on them.

Josephine Humbert wanted to make sure she could have a site box if it was temporary. She was told she could.

A resident asked how the new web site was coming. He was informed its live and has been for a couple of months. We will update this more in the newsletter next month.

9. Executive Session: Non-Elected Personnel

Adjournment:

Debby Werth made a motion to adjourn. Steve Zimmerman seconded the motion.

Motion Carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays.