



# City of Saint George, KS

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**APPROVED**

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF GOVERNING BODY

February 8, 2024

7:00 P.M.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

Debby Werth	X	Judd McCormack	X
Matt Ruhnke	X	Spencer Parsons	X
Jeremy Holliday	X	Tim Pralle	X

**4. CONSENTING AGENDA:**

Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2024, and December 2023 Financial Statement

*Matt Ruhnke made a motion to approve the consenting agenda consisting of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2024, and December 2023 Financial Statement.*

*Tim Pralle seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*

**5. UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:**

**a. City Hall Land**

- Update

Judd McCormack had a few questions for the council after talking to Brian Foster with BG Consultants to start platting the property on South Lincoln. Things that need to be discussed before this can be platted would be roadways, ally ways, and rite a way. We need to figure out if we want to do this as a whole council or if we want to continue with the building commission. The building committee needs a new member as Debby was on there and is now the mayor. Spencer Parson volunteered to be on the committee. The building committee moving forward will be Jeremy Holliday, Judd McCormack, and Spencer Parsons. Brian Foster will send out times and dates to the committee to start discussing.

**b. Second Street–**

- Sewer Cleaning Update

Mayer is scheduled around Apil of this year. Due to Beyers schedule the part of Second street is scheduled for March 1<sup>st</sup>. Brian Foster talked with Mayer, and they will be in the area the last week of February and they will come do the part of second street that will be getting replaced.

*Judd McCormack made a motion to approve the contract to Bayer Construction \$109,198.00 for second street and approve a notice to proceed pending legal review.*

*Matt Ruhnke seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*

- Water Line Update

Not currently moving forward with relocating the waterline.

**c. Daras**

- Sewer Update

Mayer Debby Werth will call Joe Johns next week to set up a date to meet and start discussing running sewer line through his property to Daras.

**d. Dogs**

- Cruelty/Noise Update

City Council reviewed the Ordinance provided and recommended a few changes. This will be brought back for further review with changes at the next Regular Council Meeting.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Cody Hartwich**

- Scenic Woods

- Sewer discussion

Cody Hartwich was not in attendance to discuss the items he wanted to be added to the agenda for.

**b. Rock Creek After Prom**

- Donation

*Tim Pralle made a motion to donate \$200 to Rock Creek After Prom.*

*Judd McCormack seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*

**c. Planning and Zoning Appointment**

Mayor Werth spoke with Cody Liming, and he agreed to be appointed to Planning and Zoning for a 1-year term, with that Mayor Werth would like to appoint Cody Liming to a 1-year term to Planning and Zoning.

*Matt Ruhnke made a motion to accept Debby Werths appointment of Cody Liming to a 1-year term to Planning and Zoning.*

*Spencer Parsons seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*

**d. Quick Book Renewal**

Rebel Eichelberger stated that QuickBooks desktop is going away in July, so we have to upgrade. They suggested we go to QuickBooks Enterprise. We won't see any difference. QuickBooks before was \$850 a year and payroll was 600 a year and paying payroll processing fees totaling \$2200 a year. For\$ 2668 we are getting what we already had with QuickBooks Gold. QuickBooks will not calculate Comp time. When talking to Alex he suggested a spreadsheet to keep track of Comp time. Judd McCormack asked if our current computers could handle the upgrade, Rebel said she thought they would. Debby presented a quote for computers for \$600 a piece for towers.

*Judd McCormack made a motion to approve the upgrade to QuickbooksEnterprise Gold in the amount of \$2668.00.*

*Tim Pralle seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*

*Tim Pralle made a motion to purchase two new computers for City Hall at \$600 apiece.*

*Spencer Parsons seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*

**e. Third and Grant Intersection**

Brian Foster, and Jared Mills with BG Consultants met with Ben prior to the meeting to look at the intersection. The pavement has failed in one area do to water drainage and not being properly installed. Brian and Jared are going to work on seeing what we need and then we will need to discuss with a contractor for the work.

**7. COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**a. Mayoral Report –**

Mayor Debby Werth was on a call with the safe routes to school about the kick start grant we received for \$1500. She needs to get with Jodi miller and chief burton for more discussion with the ideas had they liked some and some we cannot do. This is a process we will be working on.

**b. City Council –**

Judd McCormack went over the summary from the local KDOT meeting he attended. Flush and 24 was one of the areas talked about there. There have been several meetings about this, and the right stop J turn. There has been very little positive feedback on that option. Judd plans to continue to go to every meeting he can about this and voice his concern about the right stop j turn.

There will be meetings held Monday from 4p-6p at the Armory, and Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> at Crestview Church from 4-6 for the East Manhattan Gateway. I will be there, and this is open to anyone that would like to attend, see what they are talking about and planning. This group is looking at whatever they can do from the mall to Hopkins creek road. It's also referred to as the Green Valley project with the county.

Judd also wanted to take this opportunity because he is frustrated with it, he will be running for county commission for district 4 St George Township. He is running as an independent and is working on getting signatures for this.

**c. Law Enforcement -N/A**

**d. Code Enforcement -N/A**

**e. Planning and Zoning Committee Reports – N/A**

**f. Treasurers Report – N/A**

**g. Administration Report -N/A**

**h. Water/Sewer Report -N/A**

**i. City Operations Report – N/A**

**j. Saint George Community Enrichment Team –**

Kawnsas Fest meeting next Tuesday at 6pm, will be held at Light House Baptist Church.

**8. OPEN COMMENTS:**

Flint Hills Regional Council Director Michael Couch introduced himself to the city council. He has hopes that next year the City will reconsider joining and being a part of the Flint Hills Regional Council again.

Lenny Zvonik asked about potholes on the top of Wildcat Way. Mr. Zvonik said they are starting to get bad. Ben Wheeler stated that he had also recently noticed this, and it will get taken care of.

Attorney Todd Luckman updated the city council with the Ridge MHP. Discovery was filed and he will be appealing on March 15, due to feeling the facts are not relevant.

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

No executive sessions were held.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

*Matt Ruhnke made a motion to adjourn.*

*Tim Pralle seconded the motion.*

*Motion carried with 5 Ayes 0 Nays*