City Council Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2020

**WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger called the regular City Council Meeting to order. Council members present were: Jason Booker, Mark Berner, Keith Wessel, Mark Brooks, Larry Siegrist, and Sharon Haun. City Attorney Bill Halvorsen and City Administrator Nick Jones were also present. Others attending were: Kathie Banfield, Mattea Seymour, Taylor Adams, Christy Rodriguez, Angie Schwerdtfeger, Marcus Hernandez, and Megan Weaver.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD I**

Mattea Seymour, representing the Saddlerock Café, requested the road by the Saddlerock Café to be closed off for Halloween activities. The event will be from 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. on October 31, 2020. After discussion Councilperson Mark Brooks made a motion to allow the Halloween event and road closure as requested. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilperson Mark Berner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the packet. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion. The consent agenda consisted of:

- October 6, 2020 Minutes
- October 6, 2020, to Current Appropriations.
- Cabin Transfer – F-11 from Rodney Meyer to William & Jennifer Magee, Overland Park, KS.
  H-S4 from Arnold & Lisbeth Cabrera to Arnold Cabrera, Salina, KS.

The Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **HWY 177 Highway Resurfacing Update**
  City Administrator Nick Jones noted the project is done and have had the final inspection. Payment to APAC will be done upfront and the City will be reimbursed back from the State for their portion of the cost.

- **North Riverwalk Extension Update**
  City Administrator Nick Jones noted the pre-construction meeting will happen this Thursday at 2:00 P.M. It will be a vertical meeting.

- **City Cell Phone Ordinance**
  Several Councilmembers noted they had heard from the public and they were not in favor of keeping the Cell Phone Ordinance. After discussion Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to repeal the Cell Phone Ordinance # 2228. Councilperson Larry Siegrist seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

- **Safe Routes to School**
  City Administrator Nick Jones noted there are two options for the Safe Routes to School. Option 1 would be to apply for the design of the first phase of improvements in November 2020 then apply for the construction portion in November 2022. Option 2 would be for the City to pay for the design portion and apply for the construction portion in November 2020. Option 1 would take longer to complete the project but will save the City money with the full project being an 80/20 split and Option 2 would be done quicker but cost the City more money with the design being 100% City cost and the construction being an 80/20 split. After discussion Councilperson Keith Wessel made a motion to go with Option 1 and have the design and construction being an 80/20 split with the State. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Flint Hills Regional Council – Christy Rodriguez**
  Christy Rodriguez presented what the Flint Hills Regional Council does and what they can do for the City.

- **City Lake Committee Recommendation: End Cap Extension/Variance Request F-02**
  City Administrator Nick Jones reviewed the End Cap Extention/Variance Request for F-02. The City Lake Committee Recommends the Council approve an End Cap Extension of 18 feet and a Variance Request of 16 feet to the 100 foot High Water Set Back for the construction of a cabin with an attached garage at lot F-02. After discussion Councilperson Mark Berner made a

motion to approve the End Cap Extension of 18 feet and the Variance Request of 16 feet for lot F-02. Councilperson Keith Wessel seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

- **City Lake Committee Recommendation: End Cap Extension E-19**
  City Administrator Nick Jones reviewed the End Cap Extension for E-19. The City Lake Committee Recommends the Council approve an End Cap Extension of 28.73 feet for a storage shed at lot E-19. Councilperson Mark Brooks inquired if it was on a permanent structure. City Administrator Nick Jones noted it is not. Councilperson Books noted the Ordinance states it must be on a permanent structure. No motion was made due to the uncertainty of it being allowed within the current Ordinance.

- **Memorial Tree Program Committee Appointment**
  Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger appointed Kris Gant, Sharon Haun, and Mark Brooks to the Memorial Tree Program Committee. Councilperson Jason Booker confirmed the appointment. Councilperson Larry Siegrist seconded the confirmation and the Council voted 4-0 in favor with Councilpersons Mark Brooks and Sharon Haun abstaining. Motion carried. 6-0

**GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS**

- **Councilperson Jason Booker** – None
- **Councilperson Mark Berner** –None
- **Councilperson Keith Wessel** – None
- **Councilperson Mark Brooks** – Noted he would like to get the Memorial Tree Program Committee together to pick out spots at the City Parks for new trees to be planted. Councilperson Brooks read a letter from the American Legion Post 121 regarding the Veterans Day ceremony. The ceremony will be on November 11, 2020, at Fairgrounds Park. The ceremony will happen at 10:30 A.M. There will be static displays from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Councilperson Brooks noted the American Legion Post 121 would like to have the approval to hold the even as presented in the letter. Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the Veterans Day ceremony as presented. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.
- **Councilperson Larry Siegrist** – None
- **Councilperson Sharon Haun** – None
- **City Attorney Bill Halvorsen** – None
- **City Administrator Nick Jones** – CTS will be starting on November 2, 2020, and plan to be finished on February 26, 2021.
  City Administrator Jones noted he was contacted by Max Byer. Mr. Byer would like to restore the Greenwood Cemetary monument free of charge to the City. No Councilmembers had an issue with this.
  City Administrator Jones noted Wildcat Concrete will begin the Riverwalk Bridge repairs next week.
- **Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger** – None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Larry Siegrist seconded the motion and the Council voted 6-0 in favor. Motion carried.

Debi Schwerdtfeger Mayor

ATTEST:

Nick Jones City Administrator