

MCCOOK CITY COUNCIL
June 16, 2014
7:30 P.M.

A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCCOOK, NEBRASKA convened in open, regular, and public session at 7:30 o'clock P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Present: Councilmembers Calvin, Hepp, McDowell.

Absent: Mayor Berry; Councilmember Gonzales; City Attorney Schneider.

City Officials present: Co-Interim City Manager/Public Works Director Potthoff; Co-Interim City Manager/City Clerk Doak, Police Chief Brown, Utilities Director Dutcher, and Fire Chief Harpham.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the McCook Daily Gazette on June 12, 2014, the designated method of giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and members of the City Council and a copy of the Acknowledgment of Receipt of such notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Co-Interim City Manager Potthoff announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted by the entrance to the Council Chambers and available for public review.

In the absence of the Mayor and the Vice President of the Council, Councilmember McDowell nominated Councilmember Calvin to serve as Temporary Chairperson. Councilmember Hepp seconded the motion. Councilmember Calvin was elected as Temporary Chairperson by unanimous consent of the Council.

(1) INVOCATION - THE MCCOOK MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION - STEVE BALES, 1ST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

No one was present for the invocation.

(2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Councilmember Calvin led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(3) CITIZEN'S COMMENTS.

There were no citizen's comments.

(4) MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS & RECOGNITIONS.

There were no Mayor's announcements or recognitions.

(5) CONSENT AGENDA:

ITEM A APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 2, 2014 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2014 regular City Council meeting. The motion passed upon the following roll call vote: YEA: Calvin, Hepp, McDowell. NAY: None. ABSENT: Berry, Gonzales.

ITEM B APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS SITE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MCCOOK AND USCOC NEBRASKA/KANSAS LLC FOR THE PLACEMENT OF ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT ON THE WEST WATER TOWER.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the First Amendment to Telecommunications Site Lease Agreement between the City of McCook and USCOC Nebraska/Kansas LLC for the placement of additional communication equipment on the West Water Tower. The motion passed upon the following roll call vote: YEA: Calvin, Hepp, McDowell. NAY: None. ABSENT: Berry, Gonzales.

ITEM C APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF INCOMING CITY MANAGER NATE SCHNEIDER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR KYLE POTTHOFF, AND AIRPORT MAINTENANCE OPERATOR KEN VONTZ TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR AIRPORT PROJECTS THROUGH 2018 AT MCCOOK BEN NELSON REGIONAL AIRPORT.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to approve the appointment of incoming City Manager Nate Schneider, Public Works Director Kyle Potthoff, and Airport Maintenance Operator Ken Vontz to the selection committee for engineering services for airport projects through 2018 at McCook Ben Nelson Regional Airport. The motion passed upon the following roll call vote: YEA: Calvin, Hepp, McDowell. NAY: None. ABSENT: Berry, Gonzales.

ITEM D RECEIVE AND FILE THE PROPOSED BUDGET PREPARATION CALENDAR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to receive and file the Proposed Budget Preparation Calendar for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. The motion passed upon the following roll call vote: YEA: Calvin, Hepp, McDowell. NAY: None. ABSENT: Berry, Gonzales.

ITEM E RECEIVE AND FILE THE CLAIMS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2014 AS PUBLISHED ON JUNE 16, 2014.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to receive and file the claims for the month of May 2014 as published on June 16, 2014. The motion passed upon the following roll call vote: YEA: Calvin, Hepp, McDowell. NAY: None. ABSENT: Berry, Gonzales.

REGULAR AGENDA

(6) CREATE A BALLOT COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR SALES TAX ISSUES FOR A FALL ELECTION AND DISCUSS PROCESS OF NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SAID COMMITTEE.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to create a ballot committee to develop ballot language for sales tax issues for a Fall election. The motion passed upon the following roll call vote: YEA: Calvin, Hepp, McDowell. NAY: None. ABSENT: Berry, Gonzales.

(7) COUNCIL COMMENTS.

Councilmember Hepp congratulated the Library on their successful renovation project. It is amazing how much nicer and user friendly the facility is.

(8) ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Berry declared the meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Jerry Calvin, Temporary Chairperson

ATTEST:

Lea Ann Doak, City Clerk