



CITY OF LEAVENWORTH
100 N. 5th Street
Leavenworth, Kansas 66048

City Commission Regular Meeting
Commission Chambers
Tuesday, January 12, 2021 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER - The Governing Body met for a regular meeting and the following commission members were present in the commission chambers: Mayor Nancy Bauder, Mayor Pro-Tem Camalla Leonhard, Commissioners Myron J. (Mike) Griswold, Mark Preisinger and Jermaine Wilson.

Others present in the commission chambers: City Manager Paul Kramer, Assistant City Manager Taylour Tedder, Public Works Director Mike McDonald and City Clerk Carla K. Williamson.

Members participating via teleconference: Director of Planning and Community Development Julie Hurley and Community Development Coordinator Mary Dwyer and City Attorney David E. Waters.

Mayor Bauder asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance followed by silent meditation.

Announcements and Presentations:

Mayor Bauder read the following statement and asked for a consensus for the Commission to support the statement:

Statement from the Leavenworth City Commission to Leavenworth Citizens

We strongly condemn the acts of thousands of Americans who attacked and forced their way into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Resorting to violence to undermine our democratic institutions and processes, or overthrow duly elected governing bodies is unlawful, dangerous, and unpatriotic.

In violently assaulting the U.S. Capitol while Congress was in session certifying the electoral college votes for the 2020 presidential election, these insurrectionists defaced the Capitol, damaged property, killed a Capitol Police officer, injured many other Capitol police officers, and endangered the lives of Vice President Pence and every Congressional elected official and their staffs. We also insist on federal law enforcement holding these insurrectionists accountable for their violent and unlawful actions, as well as anyone inciting them to the violence they perpetrated during their attack on the Capitol.

Based on reports from the FBI there are armed groups and individuals threatening additional violence at the U.S. Capitol on January 20th, President-Elect Biden's Inauguration Day, as well as at all 50 state capitols. This is unacceptable. We urge our state elected officials and Governor Kelly to take all necessary actions to secure the state capitol in Topeka to protect lives and property, while allowing the legislature to conduct its business. Locally, between now and January 20th, our police force will, as always, be vigilant in the performance of its duties to ensure public safety.

There was a consensus by the Commission to support the statement as a Commission.

Mayor's Award to Maxine Hunter Mayor Bauder presented the Mayor's Award to Maxine Hunter for her contributions to the community.

OLD BUSINESS:

Consideration of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Preisinger moved to approve the minutes from the December 8, 2020 regular meeting & December 15, 2020 special meeting. Commissioner Leonhard seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Comment: *(emails received by the public for public comment on non-agenda items will be read at this time.) No emails were received.*

Brian Stephens – 2614 S 25th Street Leavenworth

- Mr. Stephens addressed the Commission regarding concerns about dangerous conditions in the area of West Vilas and Limit Street.
- Represents West Limit Acres and Whispering Hills subdivisions by Henry Leavenworth School
- Portions unimproved with no curbs and impassable
- School district discussed this at their January 11th board meeting
- School is looking at building stacking lanes through school green space
- Asking the City, School and County to look at ways to improve these areas
- Planning Commission January 4, 2021 meeting had a similar request for rezoning that would create even more traffic
- Fire trucks have difficulty in responding to fire

General Items:

Withdrawal of Zoning Application 2100 Vilas and 2100 Limit Street - Director of Planning and Community Development Julie Hurley announced that the application submitted by Greenamyre Rentals Inc. to rezone the properties from Low Density Single Family Residential (R1-25) to Multi Family Residential (R-MF) was withdrawn after the December 7, 2020 Planning Commission recommended denial of the request. Neighbors opposed to the rezoning were told that the item would be on the agenda for the City Commission to review at tonight's meeting. No action is required by the City Commission this is for information only.

County Commissioner Chad Schimke to Present Letter to Explore Dispatch Audit –Leavenworth County Commissioner Chad Schimke presented a letter from the Board of County Commissioners requesting the exploration of an audit of dispatch services performed by City and County Staff and possible redundancy between these two offices. No action required by the City Commission.

Mayor's Appointments

Mayor Bauder moved to reappoint to the Parks and Community Activities Advisory Board: Jennifer Brennehan Tobey and Jim Mathis to terms ending January 15, 2024; and Reappoint to the Sister City Advisory Board: Bobbie Bower to a term ending December 31, 2023. Commissioner Leonhard seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Resolutions:

Resolution B-2275 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER) - Community Development Coordinator Mary Dwyer reviewed the CAPER for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for grant year 2019-2020. Mr. Dwyer recommended approval of the CAPER and adoption of Resolution B-2275 for submittal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Commissioner Preisinger moved to approve the Resolution B-2275 approving the CAPER as presented. Commissioner Griswold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Bids, Contracts and Agreements:

Consider Bids for 4th and Olive Alley CDBG Sanitary Sewer Project – Public Works Director Mike McDonald presented for consideration the bids for the project and recommended that the Commission approve the low bid from Linaweaver Construction in the amount of \$160,760.00. Bids were opened on December 16, 2020 and were as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Base Bid</u>
Linaweaver Construction	\$160,760.00
Kissick Construction	\$173,413.00
Kansas Heavy Construction	\$193,250.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$203,280.00

Commissioner Griswold moved to approve the low bid received by Linaweaver Construction in the amount of \$160,760.00 for the 4th & Olive Alley CDBG Sanitary Sewer Project. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

First Consideration Ordinance:

First Consideration Ordinance Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB) Ordinance Luxury & Imports – Assistant City Manager Taylour Tedder presented for first consideration an ordinance authorizing the issuance by the City Industrial Revenue Bonds Series 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$2,750,000.00 to provide funds to acquire, construct and equip a project for Rae Holding, LLC and/or Ted A. Rea Inc. and authorize approving certain documents and actions in connection with the issuance of said bonds. Pete Heaven attorney for Mr. Ted Rae was available via teleconference to answer any questions.

There was a consensus by the Commission to place on first consideration.

Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve claims for December 5, 2020, through January 8, 2021, in the amount of \$4,854,738.41; Net amount for Payroll #26 effective December 18, 2020 in the amount of \$367,376.47 (Includes Police & Fire Pension in the amount of \$9,260.03) and Payroll #27 effective December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$353,308.85 (no Police & Fire Pension). Commissioner Preisinger

seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Other:

Mayor Bauder

- Has received a lot of calls about vaccines
- Asked County Commissioner Schimke to address the questions
 - The County Health officer is the expert on this; however, the county is not responsible for getting the vaccine to the local Walgreens or CVS locations and agrees there is a lot of frustration
- Discussion on Saint Patrick's Day Parade
 - City Manager Kramer stated that it could be put on the agenda for next week's Study Session

Commissioner Wilson

- Read a statement regarding political differences and division

Commissioner Leonhard

- Read a quote

Commissioner Preisinger

- Horrified by the actions in Washington DC by rioters
- Happy with corporations in withholding donations to political groups

Commissioner Griswold

- Discussed the COVID-19 crisis. Currently over 375,000 deaths nation wide
- County Health Department website current statistics. Positivity rate in county is currently 9.9%
- Thoughts and Prayers to the family of the person who died on Friday after jumping off Centennial Bridge

Adjournment:

Commissioner Preisinger moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Griswold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Time Meeting Adjourned 8:12 p.m.

Minutes taken by City Clerk Carla K. Williamson, CMC