



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

Others present: City Manager Paul Kramer, Assistant City Manager Taylour Tedder, Deputy Public Works Director Mike Hooper, Chief Building Inspector Harold Burdette, HR Director Lona Lanter, City Planner Julie Hurley, Finance Director Ruby Maline, Parks Superintendent Brian Bailey, Parks & Recreation Director Steve Grant, Deputy Chief of Police Major Dan Nicodemus, Fire Chief Gary Birch, City Attorney David E. Waters, Deputy City Clerk Cary Collins and City Clerk Carla K. Williamson.

Mayor Preisinger opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance followed by silent meditation.

PRESENTATIONS:

A letter was presented to Tisha Swart-Entwistle for her work on the First City Film Festival along with a City coin.

Ms. Swart-Entwistle discussed the upcoming event being held March 22- March 25, 2018. This will be the first annual First City Film Festival.

New Employee Welcome:

Robert Turner – Solid Waste Collector
Jamie Wilder – Solid Waste Collector
Cherri Benson – Records Clerk
Chase Hundley – Firefighter
Cameron Davenport – Solid Waste Collector
John Baragary – Equipment Operator I – Streets (not present)

OLD BUSINESS:

Consideration of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Dedeke moved to approve the minutes from the February 27, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Commissioner Bauder seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Second Consideration Ordinances:

Second Consideration Ordinance No 8071 to Amend Sec. 110-40 Trafficways - City Manager Paul Kramer stated that the Ordinance was introduced on first consideration at the February 27, 2018 meeting. Ordinance No. 8071 was presented for second consideration and roll call vote.

Mayor Preisinger called the roll and Ordinance No. 8071 was unanimously approved 5-0.

Second Consideration Ordinance 8072 to Amend Chapter 78 Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants- City Manager Paul Kramer stated that the Ordinance was introduced on first consideration at the February 27, 2018 meeting. Ordinance No. 8072 was presented for second consideration and roll call vote.

Mayor Preisinger called the roll and Ordinance No. 8072 was unanimously approved 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Citizen Participation:

Julie Martinez property owner of 1420 Central

Ms. Martinez addressed the Commission regarding problems at the property located at 1415 and 1419 Central

- Calling code enforcement since August 2017
- Tires stored on property
- Trailer filled with trash
- Empty buckets
- Cars on lawn
- West Nile and zika virus hazards from water standing in tires and buckets
- Heavy traffic increases in the alley during the night
- Would like to request no parking signs in alley and speed bump
- Would donate to the cost of the speed bump
- Code enforcement has been very kind but would like to suggest an increase in the fines for violators
- There is no increase in fines for repeat violation
- Tenants at 1415 Central have now moved out - evicted
- Animal control has had repeated visits to property
- Pit bull breeding operations has ceased since eviction of renters
- Multiple people living in the house
- No rules in Leavenworth on how many unrelated people can live in a home
- She is now leaving Leavenworth because of these issues

Mayor Preisinger asked the City Manager to look into the issues and report finding to the Commission

General Items:

Public Hearing – Fire Damaged Structure 850 Sherman Avenue

- **Open Public Hearing**

Commissioner Dedeker moved to open the public hearing. Commissioner Bauder seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

- **Comments from Public and Staff**

Deputy Public Works Director Mike Hooper provided the following information to the Commission:

- On November 5, 2017 the structure at 850 Sherman was damaged by fire
- The City received \$5,716.64 from the insurance company as 15% of the proceeds from the claim
- On January 23, 2018 the City Commission passed Resolution B-2186 setting the public hearing as March 13, 2018
- On February 26, 2018 the property owner obtained a demolition permit
- The structure has been demolished and grading and seeding is still required
- Staff would recommend that the City Commission authorize staff to release the insurance proceeds upon the completion of the grading and seeding of the site

- **Close Public Hearing**

Commissioner Dedeker moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Bauder seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Dedeker moved to authorize staff to release the insurance proceeds upon completion of the grading and seeding of the site. Commissioner Bauder seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Review Property on Demolition List – 800 Miami Street – City Planner Julie Hurley presented an update on the property at 800 Miami Street. On October 10, 2017 the City Commission passed Resolution B-2179 finding eight (8) properties to be unsafe or dangerous and directed the structures to be repaired or removed. 800 Miami Street was one of those properties. On December 12, 2017 the City Commission gave an extension of March 1, 2018 to have all repairs completed on 800 Miami Street per the signed remediation agreement. The owner has made repairs to include doors and windows, siding and painting. A permit to replace the roof was obtained on March 1, 2018. As of March 8, 2018 the roof has not been replaced and the soffits/eaves have not been repaired. Ms. Hurley had pictures taken on the morning of the meeting for the Commission to review. The repair of the roof was completed as of March 13, 2018; however, the repair of the soffits and eaves still need repair. Staff would recommend removal from the list and staff will monitor the remaining minor repairs.

Commissioner Griswold stated that he had a problem with removing the property from the demolition list and would rather give an extension and stated that there should be a standard. Mayor Preisinger was in agreement with Commissioner Griswold and stated that this is a bank/corporation that signed the remediation agreement. Mayor Preisinger would recommend giving them another 45 days but keeping it on the demolition list. Commissioner Dedeker asked who would have done this work during the last 2 weeks with the weather that we have had and was in favor of removing from the demolition list. Mayor Preisinger stated that we have had warm days since November when the remediation agreement was signed.

Commissioner Griswold moved to keep the property at 800 Miami Street on the demolition list for another 45 days to get the repairs done. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and was approved 4-1 with Commissioner Dedeke voting no. The Mayor declared the motion carried 4-1.

Consider Downtown Street Closure for Homecoming Parade – Deputy Chief of Police Major Dan Nicodemus presented for consideration the closure of streets in the downtown Central Business District on Friday, September 28, 2018 for the 2018 Leavenworth Homecoming Parade. The Commission has the option to add this to the list of approved street closures that do not require annual approval such as the Veteran’s Day parade and the St. Patrick’s Day parade.

Commissioner Bauder moved to allow the downtown street closure for the Homecoming parade and add it to the exemption list for parades. Commissioner Dedeke seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Bids, Contracts and Agreements:

Consider Bids for Purchase of Tractor for Parks Department – Parks Superintendent Brian Bailey presented for consideration the purchase of a replacement tractor for the parks department by utilizing the State of Kansas Cooperative Purchasing program. Staff recommends approval of the purchase of a 5090M Utility Tractor in the amount of \$52,396.04 from Heritage Tractor of Smithville, Mo.

Commissioner Griswold moved to approve the purchase of one 2018 John Deere 5090M Utility Tractor in the amount not to exceed \$52,396.04 from Heritage Tractor. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Consider Sole Source Purchase of Extrication Rescue Tools for Fire Department – Fire Chief Gary Birch presented for consideration a sole source purchase of Hurst Rescue tools through Danko Emergency Equipment in the amount of \$26,472.38 and the purchase of Paratech 3 air bag set with controller from FELD Fire in the amount of \$4,234.00.

Commissioner Bauder moved to approve the purchase of Hurst Rescue tools through Danko Emergency Equipment in the amount not to exceed \$26,472.38 and the purchase of Paratech 3 air bag set with controller from FELD Fire in the amount not to exceed \$4,234.00. Commissioner Griswold seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Consider Bids for Replacement Police Vehicles – Deputy Chief of Police Major Dan Nicodemus presented for consideration the purchase of three police patrol sedans from Olathe Dodge in the amount of \$88,248.00. The following bids were received:

Bidder	Location	Bid	Comments
Olathe Dodge	Olathe KS	\$88,248.00	
Zeck Ford	Leavenworth KS	\$84,000.00	Did not meet the minimum specifications

Commissioner Griswold moved to approve the purchase of three 2018 Dodge Charger 4-door sedans from Olathe Dodge at a price of \$29,416.00 each; total cost of \$88,248.00. Commissioner

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Griswold moved to approve claims for February 24, 2018 through March 9, 2018 in the amount of \$1,199,901.25; Net amount for Pay #5 effective March 2, 2018 in the amount of \$316,523.72 (No Police & Fire Pension). Commissioner Bauder seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried 5-0.

Other:

Commissioner Wilson asked if there could be a Study Session with Code Enforcement on fines for violations. Mayor Preisinger asked that we have the City Manager take a look at the issues. City Attorney Waters stated that there are caps on the amounts that can be charged in municipal court. There is legislation in the house right now (HB2506) to increase the powers of cities to take care of abandoned properties. Commissioner Griswold would like to take a look at code enforcement a little closer at a later date.

Adjourn:

Commissioner Dedek moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and was unanimously approved. The Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Time Meeting Adjourned 8:07 p.m.
Minutes taken by City Clerk Carla K. Williamson, CMC