

Minutes of the Independence City Commission's May 25, 2017 Meeting

The Independence City Commission met on May 25, 2017 at 5:30pm in the Veterans Room at Memorial Hall. Commissioner Leonhard Caflisch and Commissioner Fred Meier were present; Commissioner Gary Hogsett was not in attendance. Others present included:

City Staff

Kelly Passauer, Assistant City Manager
Michael Borovetz, Director of Finance/City Clerk
David Cowan, Public Safety Director
Jeff Chubb, City Attorney
Terry Lybarger, Director of Utilities
Ed Sykes, Manager Water Treatment Facility
April Nutt, Housing Authority Director
Daniel Bowers, Police Officer

Visitors

Ned Stichman	M.J. Meier
Jon Risner	John Kishpaugh
Steve Denny	S. Wood
Charlotte Caflisch	Amanda Williams
Anthony Royse	Larry McHugh
Jeff Ports	

Call to Order

Mayor Meier called the meeting order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America

Additions to Meeting Agenda

Mayor Meier informed the meeting attendees that there was one addition to the agenda: **1. Amended contract with KDOT for the Peter Pan Intersection project.**

Motion:

On the motion of Mayor Meier, seconded by Commissioner Caflisch, the commission approved the amended agenda.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

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- 1. Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the amended contract with KDOT for an additional \$50,000.00 for the Peter Pan Intersection project.**

Motion:

On the motion of Mayor Meier, seconded by Commissioner Caflisch, the commission authorized the Mayor to sign the amended contract with KDOT for an additional \$50,000.00 for the Peter Pan Intersection project.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

City Licenses

Eclectix Art Gallery, LLC – 311 N. Penn Avenue – Lacy Franko, Owner

Chase Pest Control, LLC – Neodesha, KS – Ron Woldum, Owner

Fins – 109 N. 6th – Ford Hall, Owner

Bookter Electric, LLC – Coffeyville, KS -- Chris Bookter, Owner

Appointments

Downtown Art and Culture Advisory Board – Two Terms Expired – Applications Due by June 1, 2017

Park Board – 1 Replacement – Applications Due June 1, 2017

The City did not receive any applications for the Downtown Art and Culture Advisory Board, therefore, the application deadline is being extended to June 1, 2017. The Park Board is requesting to replace one member who has been unable to attend several meetings. Applications will be received until June 1, 2017 for this position.

Adoption of the Consent Agenda

a. Appropriations

1. A-1790A and A-1791

Motion:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission approved A-1790A for \$17,086.96 and A-1791 for \$477,064.88.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

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2. P-1757

Motion:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission approved P-1757 for \$122,875.25

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

- b. Consider minutes of the May 1, 4, and 11, City Commission meetings [CITIZENS].**

City staff recommends approving the attached minutes

Motion:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission approved the minutes of the May 1, 4, and 11, City Commission meetings.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

- c. Consider adopting an ordinance assessing nuisance costs for mowing [CITIZENS].**

Motion:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission adopted an ordinance assessing nuisance costs for mowing.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

Presentations

- d. Presentation of 2018 budget requests: [CITIZENS]:**
1. City On A Hill Substance Abuse Treatment Centers

No one was present from City on A Hill to provide a presentation to the Commission.

- 2. Four County Mental Health Center**

Steve Denny, Four County Mental Health Center, provided a presentation to the Commission. Denny requested the full 1/3 special

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alcohol tax for fiscal year 2018 as has been the case in previous year. The annual special alcohol tax is approximately \$30,000.00. The Commission took no action on the request and informed Denny that it will be considered as part of the City's 2018 budget process.

Items for Commission Action

- e. Consider recommendation from the Planning Commission to rezone a tract of land from C-3, central business district and R-4, medium density multifamily dwelling district to C-2, commercial services district with a conditional use permit for a drive-in restaurant at 401 -415 N. 8th Street [BUSINESS & INDUSTRY/CITIZENS].

Jeff Ports, KEP Holdings, LLC, addressed the Commission detailing the reason for the planned move of the Sonic to this location.

Motion #1:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission adopted Ordinance 4244 to rezone the property as described.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

Motion #2:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission adopted Resolution 2017-039 conditional use permit authorizing a drive-in restaurant at 401-415 N 8th with conditions as described in the resolution.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

- f. Consider RFP's for water treatment plant improvements[CITIZENS].

Terry Lybarger addressed the Commission regarding the RFP received by PEC for engineering services related to the water treatment plant improvements. The Commission directed City staff to set up a work session with PEC, City staff and the Commission to better evaluate the scope of the RFP.

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- g. Consider authorizing receipt of RFP's for a debt analysis [CITIZENS].**

Motion:

On the motion of Mayor Meier, seconded by Commissioner Caflisch, the commission authorized City staff to seek RFPs for financial analysis of debt service.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

Nay: None

Reports

- h. Report on City Projects and other updates [CITIZENS].**

- 1. City Board Minutes**

- April 4, 2017 Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes**
 - January - April Library Board Minutes**

- 2. Reminder of upcoming employee health fair.**

The employee health fair will be held on June 6, 2017.

Commissioner Comments:

- Mayor Meier noted that new City Manager Craig Whitehead was in town Tuesday and Wednesday house hunting and his official start date with the City was June 8th.**

Public Concerns:

There were no Public Concerns for this meeting.

Executive Session:

There were no Executive Sessions for this meeting.

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Adjournment

Motion:

On the motion of Commissioner Caflisch, seconded by Mayor Meier, the commission adjourned the meeting.

Aye: Caflisch, Meier

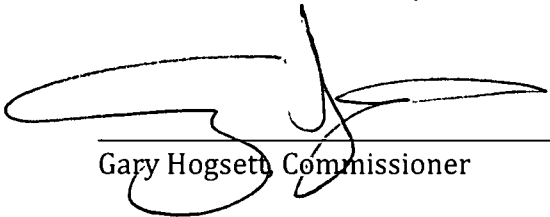
Nay: None



Fred Meier, Mayor

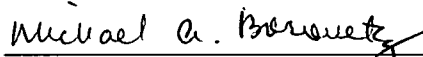


Leonhard Caflisch, Commissioner



Gary Hogsett, Commissioner

Attest:



Director of Finance/City Clerk