

**Greensburg City Council
April 21, 2014
City Hall**

Item 1: Opening Session

Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance; Invocation; Roll Call

Mayor Robert Dixon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on April 21, 2014. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Pastor Terry Mayhew gave the invocation. Council present: Matt Christenson, Mark Trummel, Sandra Jungemann, Haley Kern, and Erica Goodman.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

City Administrator Ed Truelove requested Council delete business item 4A from the agenda. Truelove has been in contact with the owners of 611 W. Iowa Ln. and is pleased with their plans for moving forward with abating the property. Kern made a motion, seconded by Christenson, to approve the agenda with the deletion of business item 4A. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor's Report

Dixon thanked outgoing Council Member Erica Goodman for her years of public service.

Council Member's Report

There was no report from Council.

City Administrator Comments

City Administrator Ed Truelove briefed Council on the following topics:

- The City has received a response from the County Attorney on its letter, requesting he examine the facts surrounding the Special Council Meeting held March 11, 2014, to determine if there was a technical violation of the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA). The County Attorney responded that he does not see any KOMA violation meriting further review by his office. He commended the City for taking the time to self-report, and for being sensitive to the requirements of KOMA.
- Three Tree Board terms will expire on May 31st. Those currently appointed to those terms do not wish to be reappointed. Should Council know of anyone interested in serving on the Tree Board they are asked to contact Staff.
- There will be an Arbor Day celebration on April 25th. A Mayoral Proclamation will be read and a tree planted behind City Hall. These activities are in support of the City's 2015 application for Tree-City recognition.
- Included in Council's meeting packet was a letter from the Kiowa County Economic Development Board, inviting County stakeholders to a long-range visioning meeting, to be held April 24th at 7:00 pm, at the First United Methodist Church. Council is invited to attend the meeting.
- Truelove placed a new sign outside of City Hall, to remind citizens when a Council meeting is being held. Truelove has already received positive comments regarding the sign.
- Truelove provided Council with a "Scope of Services" document from McCown Gordon, which will possibly be considered at a later date. McCown Gordon is interested in being the Construction Manager for the Davis Park pool relocation project.

Item 2: Public Comment

Dixon welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting to public comment. There were no comments from the public.

Item 3: Consent Agenda

Kern made a motion, seconded by Goodman, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Item 4: Items of Business

A. Consider Resolution 2014-04, declaring a structure located at 611 W. Iowa Lane to be dangerous and unfit and ordering the abatement of said structure. This is a continuation of the public hearing held October 21, 2013 at which time a determination was tabled until November 4, 2013. A determination was again tabled on November 4, 2013.

This business item was removed from the agenda.

B. Consider a partnership proposal from the Kansas Department of Transportation, for constructing a new city pool.

Truelove directed Council's attention to the partnership proposal from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), for constructing a new city pool. This document would formalize the City's intent to partner with KDOT, and Truelove requested Council approve the City Administrator to sign the document.

Christenson questioned the City's responsibility to de-commission and demolish the current pool as stated in section 5 of the document. Truelove voiced that he and Dixon had the same concern and had contacted Jerry Younger at KDOT for further explanation. Until KDOT purchases the pool property, the pool is still the City's responsibility. KDOT is not concerned about how the pool is filled in, so long as it is safe. KDOT would like to see the fencing remain in place. The City would not be required to remove the concrete or the bathhouse. De-commissioning and demolition would be required after the new pool is finished and operational.

Jungeman made a motion to approve the City Administrator to sign the KDOT partnership proposal as presented. Kern seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

C. Consider PEC Work Order #14-01 for engineering services related to the construction of a new pool.

Provided on Council's desk is PEC Work Order No. 14-01, which represents future work efforts related to construction of the new pool. The original work order encompassed the entire Davis Park.

Dixon briefly discussed the scope of services, and pointed out that the document is not site specific. Christianson asked if the order included community meetings. Truelove stated that at least four trips are allowed for during the course of the project. City Attorney Gordon Stull inquired about the relation of the McCown Gordon brochure to the work order. PEC would provide engineering services while McCown Gordon, should they be chosen, would act as Construction Manager. The brochure is strictly informational at this time. McCown Gordon would handle architectural aspects of the project as the Construction Manager. Kern asked about a time frame for having the new pool operational. Truelove has been assured that if the City is able to break ground in September, the pool will be open the summer of 2015. Truelove stated that John Haas, Ranson Financial, will be at the May 5th Council meeting to discuss the financing of the pool.

Kern made a motion, seconded by Jungemann, to approve Work Order No. 14-01 as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

D. Discuss and consider potential locations for constructing a new city pool.

Truelove reminded Council of the \$3,500 the city has put down on the Mennonite Housing property, which has a purchase price of \$35,000. At the previous community meeting regarding the pool, location was not the primary topic, but it was discussed. Citizens have offered suggestions of locating the pool on City property across from City Hall or on Olinger property located on S. Bay Street. Truelove feels that the Mennonite Housing lot would assist in filling open space in town and possibly encourage people to build closer to town. Staff has received a large level of support for locating the pool at the Mennonite Housing property. Truelove had spoken to Cinda Moorehead, Recreation Director and Davis Park Relocation Committee spokesperson, who feels that the largest relocation committee and community support seems to be for the Mennonite Housing property. Truelove requested Council approve the property and allow PEC to begin to conduct preliminary studies or slow down and conduct community meetings regarding location. If a property is not designated in the near future, there will be no swimming pool in 2015.

Based on Work Order No. 14-01, Trummel asked if PEC expected Council to have an alternate site in mind. A brief discussion commenced on what property would be chosen and what Council and Staff have heard from the community as far as a preferred location. Staff has not been provided purchase amounts from other property owners. The consensus was that a majority of support was for the Mennonite Housing property. One citizen had previously approached Staff with a concern of noise in the neighborhood from a community pool.

Christenson made a motion, seconded by Kern, to move forward with the pool project with the Mennonite Housing property as the primary location of interest. Motion passed 5-0.

E. Consider a billboard lease agreement between the City of Greensburg and Commercial Outdoor LLC for a billboard located at mile marker 136.1 near Pratt.

Council was presented with a billboard lease agreement with Commercial Outdoor LLC for a billboard located on the west side of Pratt. This agreement is a contract renewal from the Tourism Board. Jungemann made a motion to approve the agreement. Christenson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

F. Consider a partnership with the School District and Rec. Commission to provide bus transportation for summer swimming.

The consideration of a partnership between the City, Rec. Commission, and School District to provide bus transportation for 2014 summer swimming was tabled at the last Council meeting. Truelove reported that the Rec. Commission is unable to solidify the minor details of a transportation plan until ball team sign-up is complete. A large showing for ball teams would likely decrease the number of swimming trips in June. Using an average of 4 trips per week for 10 weeks, the cost of transportation would be less than \$6,000. \$42,000 was budgeted for pool operations this season and will adequately fund transportation to Pratt this season. Truelove requested approval of a commitment to the school to allow the Rec. Commission to move forward with planning.

Christenson made a motion to approve an expenditure of up to \$6,000 for summer swim bus transportation in 2014. Kern seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

G. Consider re-appointing Loren Campbell, Georgina Rodriguez, and Scott Eller to the Planning Commission for terms beginning May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2016.

Truelove requested that Council consider re-appointing Loren Campbell, Georgina Rodriguez, and Scott Eller to the Planning Commission for terms to expire April 30, 2016. Jungemann made a motion to approve the reappointments. Trummel seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Item 5: City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Gordon Stull had nothing to report.

Item 6: Executive Session

Stull requested 15 minute executive session for non-elected personnel. Trummel made a motion to go into executive session until 6:50 p.m. Christenson seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Council returned to open session at 6:50 p.m.

Item 7: Adjournment

Dixon again thanked Goodman for her service to the community as a Council Member, and declared the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Robert A. Dixon, Mayor

Christy Pyatt, City Clerk