

MINUTES OF THE MISSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING, JANUARY 17, 2018

The Mission City Council met in regular session at Mission City Hall on Wednesday, January 17, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Appletoft. The following councilmembers were present: Sollie Flora, Kristin Inman, Debbie Kring, Pat Quinn, Arcie Rothrock, Nick Schlossmacher, and Hillary Thomas.

APPOINTMENT

Ken Davis, Ward IV Councilmember

Mayor Appletoft placed before Council the recommendation of Ken Davis for appointment as Councilmember, Ward IV. Mr. Davis was selected through an interview process. He has previously served as the Mayor of Countryside and the committee unanimously recommended his appointment.

Moved by Quinn, seconded by Schlossmacher to uphold the appointment of Ken Davis as Councilmember for Ward IV to fill the current vacancy. There was no discussion on this item. All those present voted AYE. **Motion carried.**

The city clerk administered the oath of office to Councilmember Davis. Councilmember Davis introduced his wife, Dr. Cheryl Carpenter Davis, and stated that he is honored to serve. He noted that the consolidation of the City of Countryside with the City of Mission happened 15 years ago this month, and stated that he will do his very best to serve the residents of Mission.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Update from Consolidated Fire District No. 2

Mayor Appletoft introduced Battalion Chief Gibson, Consolidated Fire District No. 2, who provided an update on a recent fire in Mission.

Battalion Chief Gibson stated that the fire happened on the evening of January 8th and began on a stove at the Silverwood Apartments. He stated that when they arrived, the Police were already on site and evacuating residents. Six units were damaged in the fire, which traveled through the kitchen cabinets into the walls and ducts of the apartments. Two units from another station also assisted with this fire. The fire caused approximately \$500,000 in loss at Silverwood. Councilmember Quinn thanked Battalion Chief Gibson and all the firefighters for their work.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Quinn, seconded by Kring to approve the Consent Agenda, items 3a and 3b.

- 3a. Minutes of the January 8, 2018 Special City Council Meeting
- 3b. Resolution - Destruction of Records

All those present voted AYE. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

2018 Legislative Program

Councilmember Schlossmacher reported that each year the City adopts policies and priorities for the upcoming State legislative session. This document is helpful in communicating the City's general position to our legislators. Additional issues or concerns may be addressed throughout the session as bills are introduced. The 2018 Legislative Program includes some issues that have been adopted by the County and agreed to by most Johnson County cities. He stated that at the committee meeting, several additional issues were discussed for potential inclusion in this document. These include:

- Clarification of language concerning the tax lid issue.
- Opposition to any constitutional amendment that would remove the State's obligation to adequately and equitably fund K-12 education.
- Support of the development of a coordinated and comprehensive statewide energy policy.
- Support of increased federal and state funding to assist local communities with infrastructure funding.
- Restoring local gun control so that cities have the ability to regulate and enforce the possession and use of weapons within city-owned facilities.

The Legislative Program presented for consideration includes these amendments discussed at the committee meeting.

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Moved by Schlossmacher, seconded by Kring to adopt the 2018 Legislative Program for the City of Mission with the amendments presented at the January 10, 2018 Finance & Administration Committee meeting.

Councilmember Quinn stated that he would like to see the local gun control policy removed. Councilmember Schlossmacher concurred and stated that he does not feel this solves any problem. The State has gun control in place and it would be difficult to know what regulation each city has in place if changed. Councilmember Flora disagreed and noted that last year this issue was included in the program, which passed unanimously. She stated that this is a local control issue.

Moved by Quinn, seconded by Schlossmacher to amend the proposed Legislative Program to strike the platform on local gun control. Councilmember Kring stated that she supports local control so she will be voting “no” on this amendment. Councilmember Schlossmacher stated that this is simply our position on these issue that we are sharing with the state and does not reflect any change in laws. Ms. Smith clarified also that this platform is in reference to regulation of guns in city-owned facilities. Councilmember Quinn stated that we currently have the ability to regulate guns, but that it is a cost issue. He feels if it is important enough, then we would need to fund the security measures required. Councilmember Flora stated that the cost is prohibitive and that this position is consistent with that of LKM regarding “home rule.” The motion was restated. Voting AYE: Quinn, Rothrock, Schlossmacher. NAY: Davis, Flora, Inman, Kring, Thomas. **Motion on the amendment failed.**

The question was called on the original motion. Voting AYE: Davis, Flora, Inman, Kring, Thomas. NAY: Quinn, Rothrock, Schlossmacher. **Motion carried.**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Councilmember Inman did not have a report.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Kring reminded all of the Ward III Quarterly Meeting scheduled for January 18th, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. All were invited to attend. She also stated that Mission is fortunate to have such great department heads, and she

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commended Chief Hadley for his efforts to keep Council informed on incidents and accidents in the City.

Councilmember Thomas thanked the Public Works Department for clearing the streets following the recent snow, noting that she lives on a large hill and always appreciates their efforts.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Appointments

Parks, Recreation and Tree Commission

Mayor Appletoft stated that we appreciate the efforts of all of our volunteers and their willingness to continue to serve for another term. He put before Council the reappointment of Karin Capron (Ward II), Dahnika Short (Ward II), Nathan Dormer (Ward III), David Schwenk (Ward III), Erin Beaslin (Ward IV), and Jacque Gameson (Ward IV) to the Parks, Recreation & Tree Commission with terms expiring December 31, 2019.

Moved by Kring, seconded by Rothrock to uphold the reappointments of Karin Capron, Dahnika Short, Nathan Dormer, David Schwenk, Erin Beaslin, and Jacque Gameson to the Parks, Recreation & Tree Commission with terms expiring December 31, 2019. Voting AYE: Davis, Flora, Inman, Kring, Quinn, Rothrock, Schlossmacher, Thomas. **Motion carried.**

Sustainability Commission

Mayor Appletoft put before Council the reappointments of Terri Baugh (Ward I), Sean Partain (Ward II), David Greenele (Ward III), and John Arnett (Ward IV) to the Sustainability Commission with terms expiring on December 31, 2019.

Moved by Kring, seconded by Quinn to uphold the reappointments of Terri Baugh, Sean Partain, David Greenlee, and John Arnett to the Sustainability Commission with terms expiring December 31, 2019. Voting AYE: Davis, Flora, Inman, Kring, Quinn, Rothrock, Schlossmacher, Thomas. **Motion carried.**

Appointment of City Officials

Mayor Appletoft stated that there are several appointments that are called for in our ordinances. He put before Council the appointments of Keith Drill, Municipal Court Judge, and Jeffrey Austin, David Bell, and Peter Simonsen and Municipal Court Judge Pro tem.

Moved by Schlossmacher, seconded by Inman to uphold the appointments of Keith Drill as Municipal Court Judge, and Jeffrey Austin, David Bell, and Peter Simonsen as Municipal Court Judge Pro tem. Voting AYE: Davis, Flora, Inman, Kring, Quinn, Rothrock, Schlossmacher, Thomas. **Motion carried.**

Appointment of Bond Counsel, Financial Advisor, and Land Use Attorney

Mayor Appletoft stated that each year we appoint third party advisors and consultants who assist us on various projects throughout the year. He put before Council the following for appointment:

- Gilmore & Bell as Bond Counsel
- Ehlers, Inc. as Financial Advisor
- Pete Heaven, Spencer Fane, as Land Use Attorney

Moved by Davis, seconded by Kring to uphold the following appointments with contracts expiring January 16, 2019:

- Gilmore & Bell as Bond Counsel
- Ehlers, Inc. as Financial Advisor
- Pete Heaven, Spencer Fane, as Land Use Attorney

Voting AYE: Davis, Flora, Inman, Kring, Quinn, Rothrock, Schlossmacher, Thomas.
Motion carried.

Mayor's Report - Other

Mayor Appletoft stated that with the full Governing Body in place, Council will need to vote on a new Council Vice President, and committee vice chairpersons. If any Councilmember is interested, they should contact Council President Quinn or Councilmembers Schlossmacher and Inman who serve as committee chairs. This item will be on the February City Council Agenda.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Smith announced that we will have a work session on Wednesday, January 31 to discuss roles and responsibilities in the planning and zoning process. Mr. Heaven will be assisting with this worksession. She stated that worksessions are scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m., but asked if Council would like to consider holding the meeting at an earlier time, possibly 6:30 p.m. If so, a motion is required. All agreed to keep the work session at the regularly scheduled time of 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Quinn, seconded by Davis to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. All present voted AYE. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by Martha Sumrall, City Clerk.

Ronald E. Appletoft, Mayor

Martha M. Sumrall, City Clerk