CITY OF COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING January 18, 2022 6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met January 18, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. presided over by Mayor Grant Spieth. Council members present: Kathy Doherty, Stephanie Farstvedt, Sammye Opela, Tom Pryor, Lindsay Shoemaker. Council members absent: None.

Toni Spieth of First Presbyterian Church of Joplin provided the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Doherty moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of Council Meeting Minutes – January 03, 2022, Appropriation Ordinance 21-563, Appropriation Ordinance 22-564, Treasurer Report – January 14, 2022, and the 2022 City Street Mill & Overlay RFP. Farstvedt seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Opela, Pryor, Shoemaker. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Seth Rooney of 211 N. Highland approached council with his concerns regarding the poly cart program. He posed the questions of what the goals are for the poly carts, why we required poly carts vs. just bins with lids, if there was a plan to start handing out fines and if we will begin layoffs since we got an automated truck. Administrator Rivas and council answered all his questions and he stated he would follow up in a month after speaking with other residents.

Mayor Report-

Mayor Spieth appointed Aimee Saporito and Clint Ellis for the Columbus Recreation Board.

RECREATION BOARD APPOINTMENTS - Aimee Saporito and Clint Ellis

Opela moved to approve the Mayor's appointments of Aimee Saporito and Clint Ellis to the Columbus Recreation Board. Pryor seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Opela, Pryor, Shoemaker, Voting nay: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Staff Reports-

Utilities Director, Scott Bennett provided an end of year presentation to the council for his department. The council posed questions regarding the water taste and Bennett informed them that Bone Creek, our water supplier, had an issue with the lake, and he is flushing the water to help remedy the problem. Council also asked for an update on the status of our large recycling trailer. He stated that once the parts arrived, his department would begin working on it.

New Business-

I.1.A. Consider 2022 Cherokee County Youth Entrepreneur Sponsorship.

Rivas presented to council that in past years the City has sponsored the program in the amount of \$500 to be paid out of the economic development fund. Pryor moved to approve the 2022 Cherokee County

Youth Entrepreneur Sponsorship in the amount of \$500 to be paid out of the economic development fund. Farstvedt seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Opela, Pryor, Shoemaker. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 5-0.

I.1.B. Consider McGrath Human Resources compensation study report recommendations.

Opela moved to accept the McGrath Human Resources compensation study and report recommendations as presented. Doherty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Opela, Pryor, Shoemaker. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 5-0.

I.4.A. Consider Ordinance 1489 renaming Crossland Lane as Lake Street.

Doherty moved to accept Ordinance 1489 renaming Crossland Lane as Lake Street. Pryor seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Opela, Pryor, Shoemaker. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business -

J.1. Name splash pad at Discovery Park, H & H Splash Pad in honor of the Hatfield and Houser families and their donations to the project.

City Attorney, Barbara Wright, informed the council that Discovery Park had never been formally named and that it would need to be formally named. She asked for council guidance regarding if the splash pad and park would be named as two separate parks or if the splash pad would be a feature inside of the park. She then stated the same thing would need to be decided for Reeve's Park and Ian's Place inside of Reeve's Park citing the need for consistency when naming them. Mayor Spieth mentioned naming them through resolutions as each ordinance costs the city money. Council decided to name the parks and make the splash pad and bike park features inside of the parks and to use a resolution to do so.

ADJOURNMENT

Doherty moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Farstvedt seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Opela, Pryor, Shoemaker. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 5-0.

Meetings:

Council Meeting

Monday, February 7, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.

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