

October 7, 2020

President Wahlig called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Attending via teleconference were President Wahlig and Member Poor. Attending in person was Vice President Selman, members Adams and Carpenter. Also attending was Event Coordinator Nina Burlingame and Ashlee Hoos from the Herald Republican.

The minutes of the September 2, 2020 meeting were approved with a motion by Member Carpenter and second by Vice President Selman. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Covid-19 Update- Event Coordinator Burlingame said that Shoup's is still fogging the Commons Hall after reservations and the restrooms in the park on Monday's and Friday's. Burlingame also asked the Board if they had received Superintendent Hanna's email regarding the Commons Hall becoming a Covid19 Testing Center starting in November. The Board said they had received it. Vice President Selman asked when renovations will begin in the Commons Hall. Burlingame stated that the front patio is near completion and the remainder of the work should hopefully start before the end of the month. President Wahlig asked if it was a private testing company or the Health Department. Burlingame was not sure but thought it was the Health Department. Burlingame also stated that there would be a door installed to replace the gate at the bottom of the stairs so the two floors will be closed off from one another. Vice President Selman asked if this testing would be there until next June. Burlingame confirmed.

NEW BUSINESS

2021 Budget- Vice President Selman made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget, Member Adams seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Dennis Springer- Mr. Springer would like to use Commons Hall basement, one night per week for two hours, starting in January for around fifteen at risk teens. They will be having several area groups come and talk to the teens about programs they can be involved in. President Wahlig asked the Board what their thoughts were. Vice President Selman said that the Commons Hall most likely will not be rented on a weeknight so it would not likely conflict with reservations. President Wahlig stated that helping teens falls in line with the Parks Mission Statement and felt it would be a good program. Vice President Selman asked if it would be possible for Mr. Springer to attend a meeting to fill in more of the details of this program. Nina said she would find out if he could attend the November Meeting.

Projects Update- Nina reported that the concrete work on the front of Commons Hall was near completion. The railing would be installed after the large items were removed from the upstairs. Vice President Selman asked about the parking lot. Nina had not heard any updates but would check with Matt. Member Carpenter said the concrete work looked great.

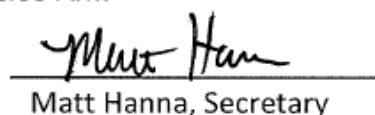
Ethics Paperwork- Nina reported that Human Resources forwarded the paperwork to her for the Board to sign. All elected officials, appointed Board Members and volunteers had to review and sign for the City. Nina asked President Wahlig and member Poor if they could sign those and return as soon as possible.

OTHER BUSINESS

Other- Member Adams asked Nina if they have had many comments about cancelling the Halloween event. Nina said there was one comment on Facebook but that was it. She reported that the Virtual Costume Contest is in the works, with gift baskets exceeding what had been given in the past. There were significant donations by Trine University and Angola Athletics. Nina stated that the Special Olympics drive thru parade is set for October 25th. Nina had not yet received their plan to forward to the Covid19 Taskforce.

No further business, meeting adjourns at 11:03 AM.


Jacquelyn Wahlig, President


Matt Hanna, Secretary