

MINUTES

City of Concordia Board of Alderpersons Regular Meeting

Location: Concordia Community Center, Room 202
802 S. Gordon Street
Date: Monday, August 15, 2022
Time: 5:30 P.M.

The August 15, 2022, regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Concordia was called to order at 5:30 P.M. with Mayor Michael Brown presiding. The Aldermen present were Kaleb Nierman, Mary Beth Scherer, Wayne Lindemann, Alderman Beth Kruse

Also in attendance were Roberta Christenson, The Concordian, Dale Klussman, City Administrator, Rosalind Richter, City Clerk, Paul Mapes, Concordia Chief of Police, Teagan Steinkuhler, Concordia PTO representative

Mayor Brown requested a roll call to establish a quorum of the Board:

Alderman Nierman: **Present**
Alderman Kruse: **Present**
Alderman Lindemann: **Present**
Alderman Scherer: **Present**

Mayor Brown declared a quorum present and led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Minutes of the August 1, 2022, regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was presented for discussion. Alderman Lindemann made the motion to accept the Minutes of August 1, 2022, as presented. Alderman Scherer seconded this motion. Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with 4 Aldermen voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed with the minutes of the August 1, 2022, regular meeting accepted **and approved**.

The proposed budget amendments were reviewed and discussed. Administrator Dale Klussman presented Bill 2022-34 for Board consideration as a proposed Ordinance amending the FY 2021-2022 budget. It was mentioned by the Administrator the Franchise Fee had come up well above due to the increase in gas. Other funds came up as well over \$3,000.00 for the Aquatic, and Capital Improvements will show the increase due the grant approval.

Alderman Kruse made a motion to introduce Bill No. 2022-34 by title only for the first reading. Alderman Nierman seconded this motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes be recorded by the Yeas and Nays,

with the vote recorded 4 voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion passed and read:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE BUDGETS AND ADJUST REVENUE BUDGETS FOR THESE FUNDS AS REQUIRED.

Alderman Kruse made a motion to accept Bill No. 2022-34 by title only for the second reading. Alderman Scherer seconded this motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes be recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with the vote recorded 4 voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion passed and read:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE CITY OF CONCORDIA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 BUDGET AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE BUDGETS AND ADJUST REVENUE BUDGETS FOR THESE FUNDS AS REQUIRED.

Alderman Kruse made the motion to request a Roll Call vote on Bill 2022-34, with the City Clerk recording the vote. Alderman Lindemann seconded this motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes be recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with the vote recorded 4 voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion passed and requested City Clerk Richter to conduct and record the Roll Call vote:

Alderman Nierman:	Yea
Alderman Kruse:	Yea
Alderman Lindemann:	Yea
Alderman Scherer:	Yea

The results of the roll call vote being 4 in the affirmative and 0 Alderman voting Nay, Mayor Brown declared Bill 2022-34 duly passed as an Ordinance of the City of Concordia and assigned the Ordinance Number 1663.

The Claims Register dated August 12, 2022, was reviewed for consideration of payment authorization. Administrator Dale Klussman discussed the aerator that had went bad, so repairs were made by Allied to fix the issue, the duckweed during this time. Alderman Nierman asked how long it was down, it was advised for one month as the company had to wait on getting a check valve. City is cleaning the duckweed out themselves, that makes up for the second expense that is for bags that were ordered. They are reusable.

Alderman Nierman made the motion to introduce Resolution No. 2022-R-24, authorizing payment of the bills consolidated by fund as shown on the Claims Register Report and additional expenses .

Alderman Kruse seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 4 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown requested a roll call on Resolution 2022-R-24, the votes recorded as follows:

Alderman Nierman:	Yea
Alderman Kruse:	Yea
Alderman Lindemann:	Yea
Alderman Scherer:	Yea

Mayor Brown declared the motion adopting Resolution 2022-R-24 duly passed 4/0.

Administrator Klussman, discussed with the council quotes received for the cost per ft for a total of 60-inch pipe at 20-foot sections which is needed for the South Side Park ditch that is beginning before the end of the year. The arch pipe was quoted at the same time for the ditch located on St. Louis St. at Mark Schnakenberg's trailer park and a total of 220 feet of pipe is needed there.

Schulte - \$275/ft Pipe; \$68.50/ft Arch pipe
Core & Main - \$131.49/ft; \$67.98/ft Arch pipe
Winwater - \$125.20/ft; \$59.07/ft Arch Pipe
Viebrock - \$124.20/ft – quote was for 20-foot section; however, the company had a cancelation of 30-foot sections and offered a first come first serve with a price of \$115.50/ft; the price for the

The couplings alone are \$116.00 each approximately, a total of 16 is needed making the total cost \$1,856.00. No flared ends will be purchased as they are \$3,800.00 apiece.

In total 510 ft. was ordered due to the time sensitivity as it was first come first serve for the pipe, the Administrator went ahead and purchased from Viebrock offered. Dale is requesting the board to validate the purchase, the total purchase for the pipe was \$60,053.00 and for the arch pipe \$15,583.00.

A reimbursement will be written up to take the money out of the Bond money.

A second resolution will be written up for the arch pipe to come from Fund 32 to reimburse Fund 24. Administrator projected with this amount of pipe being purchased it will complete the project much further than originally anticipated, as it should go all the way to the right Field along the foul line.

Dale has had the discussion with Tim Crockett to go ahead and start the process of designing the boxes that will be required in order to get the projected hopefully completed by the end of the year.

Alderman Kruse made a motion to validate the purchase of the 60-foot pipe as well as the arch pipe and couplings from Viebrock Sales and Service.

Alderman Nierman seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 4 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed.

Under **Audience business**, Teagan Steinkuhler came before the board on behalf of the Concordia PTO. Ms. Teagan greatly apologized for the delay in the request to hold a fundraiser on city property located at the ball/aquatic parking lot. The fundraiser was held there last year, and it was a huge success. On behalf of the PTO, Teagan requested the license be waived for the five food trucks coming in for the event and the utilization of the parking lot. The fundraiser is to be held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, at 4:30 PM for CES back to school night. The council discussed that licenses are required for each business, that operates in the City of Concordia, also mentioned they could be inspected by the health department and should check to see if the companies hold a Lafayette County permit as all food trucks are required to obtain a permit through the county.

The council did not waive the license, as many businesses that come to the city are required to follow the code just as they do for the Farmer's Market, and Street Fair.

Alderman Nierman made a motion to approve the request for the use of the Ball/Aquatic parking lot.

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

6:04 P.M. - the meeting was suspended for a Public Hearing to discuss the tax levy rate for 2023. The Administrator lead the discussion, mentioning the real property valuation has gone down, with the personal property going up

therefore the rate is going to remain the same at .8897. Alderman Scherer mentioned there was a lot of things bought this year.

Alderman Kruse made a motion to end the public hearing. The public hearing ended 6:07 P.M.

Alderman Lindemann seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 4 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed.

Continuing under new business, the Administrator requested the council to authorize the City Clerk to submit .8897 as the tax levy.

Alderman Lindeman asked, does the state auditor have the right to change it. Dale answered the state auditor does have the final say on the tax levy.

It was mentioned there was a correction that needed to be made on the presented ordinance.

Alderman Scherer made a motion to introduce Bill No. 2022-35 by title only for the first reading. Alderman Kruse seconded this motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes be recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with the vote recorded 4 voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion passed and read:

AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY TAXES ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE YEAR 2023 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF RATE WITH THE LAFAYETTE COUNTY, MISSOURI CLERK.

Alderman Scherer made a motion to introduce Bill No. 2022-35 by title only for the second reading. Alderman Nierman seconded this motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes be recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with the vote recorded 4 voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion passed and read:

AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY TAXES ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE YEAR 2023 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF RATE WITH THE LAFAYETTE COUNTY, MISSOURI CLERK.

Alderman Scherer made the motion to request a Roll Call vote on Bill 2022-35, with the City Clerk recording the vote. Alderman Lindemann seconded this

motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes be recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with the vote recorded 4 voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion passed and requested City Clerk Richter to conduct and record the Roll Call vote:

Alderman Nierman:	Yea
Alderman Kruse:	Yea
Alderman Lindemann:	Yea
Alderman Scherer:	Yea

The results of the roll call vote being 4 in the affirmative and 0 Alderman voting Nay, Mayor Brown declared Bill 2022-35 duly passed as an Ordinance of the City of Concordia and assigned the Ordinance Number 1664.

Under **Old business**, Administrator Klussman brought up the budget that is currently designed for next year and one of the areas Klussman believes should be considered is ADA compliance at City Hall. The areas also of concern is safety for the police officers, as well as the accessibility to the police department, possibly taking a look at the door that leads into the department as there is no visible way of knowing who is on the other side without opening the door, this could potentially be a safety concern. The office space used by the cities officers has not been upgraded. The carpet needs repaired, the stage area for four of the officers is not in good shape, also would like to see security cameras in the areas of police entrances. Klussman asked if the board would consider bringing in an engineer to look at the design and see what should be improved to meet the ADA requirements, as well as make the area more secure.

A response from the audience, Teagan Steinkuhler, asked if the area could be ripped out. Administrator Klussman answered that the stage can be removed.

Alderman Kruse made the motion to move forward to request an engineer to look at City Hall and examine what can be done to become ADA compliant and other ways to secure the building.

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

Alderman Nierman completely agrees with the Administrator but is an engineer necessary and at what cost will this be.

Dale advised unfortunately not knowing how the structure should be renovated to meet ADA compliance, it would be necessary to have an engineer come in. At one time, there was a price of around \$1,500.00 but that has been a few years back.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 4 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed.

Next under Old business, Administrator Klussman mentioned there are areas the Chief of Police has looked into getting Law Enforcement Accredited. Chief Mapes mentioned it does take three years to become accredited, Dale mentioned this could however lower the cost of liability through MIRMA who holds the liability insurance policy. Every year once accredited the policies in place, and the areas to remain in place under this program will be reviewed.

This shows the public the city is up to state standards, the reduction in liability, however, to become accredited the total cost is \$6,000.00 every three years. Klussman stated the benefits outweigh the cost for the accreditation.

Alderman Nierman mentioned, the cost is fine but wants to make sure Chief Mapes understands this is a huge responsibility and work to take on and asked does he believe the time is available. Alderman Kruse mentioned it is worth it, and Alderman Scherer stated it makes everything coming across more professional. Alderman Lindemann stated a lot is coming out to the rural areas.

Mayor Brown asked is this a full price of \$6,000 or \$2,000 every year, and Alderman Nierman asked are they accredited once the three years is completed fully, or does the accreditation come after the three years. Chief Mapes advised it is after the three years of going through all the necessary steps and following the program. There is training that will also be required of Chief Mapes, it is approximately a seven-week class, spread out.

Next, the police are requesting to make an exchange on their service weapons, a total of seven. Chief Mapes mentioned last time they were able to swap with Glock for new ones at a discounted price. Alderman Nierman asked whether or not the officers prefer the Glocks, Mapes advised they were pleased with them and prefer to continue with Glocks.

The wage scale for officers is also being examined, Klussman mentioned the wages for the most hourly positions are where they should be, however when you start talking about titles such as Chief, Detective, and Sergeant the wage is not up where they should be and could be close to \$39,000 additional to be considered in the next budget just on wages.

Chief Mapes did state the vehicles are all in good shape and believes a new vehicle is not necessary at this time. Alderman Nierman however stated the

rotation the vehicles are on, which is every two years is something the City should remain doing to make sure vehicles are at it's best condition.

Under City Administrator's report, Dale stated the manhole work at Casey's did go well, per Tim Trigg but the manhole at Eagle Stop did not turn out great. Trigg states the manhole needs more work and is getting a price.

The rerouting of pipe and new lines across trail of memories and the 7th Street project, Tim has quoted a not to exceed price of \$21,000.00, this is approximately 115 ft of digging, SMICO will be the company to inject the material to line the pipes.

Alderman Nierman asked if the city is liable as a hiring source, Klussman advised no the company that contracts out hold their own liability insurance.

Alderman Kruse made a motion to move forward contracting with Tim Trigg to complete the work. Alderman Nierman seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 4 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed.

Mayor reported the area where the demolition of the old water plant looks good, also wanted to let Chief Mapes know the updates on Facebook regarding what is happening in the city is appreciated.

Alderman Nierman, nothing to report.

Alderman Kruse, nothing to report.

Alderman Lindemann stated he was approached again regarding recycling. Nothing more has been determined regarding the program.

Alderman Scherer stated a parent approached her about the closing of the pool and wondered if there was anything the city could do to prepare to keep it open longer possibly just for the weekends. Also discussed the planning and zoning meeting and what areas should be included in the Comprehensive Plan. City Clerk was asked to send over the map that pioneer trails has prepared.

A request was made to move the September 6, 2022, Regular Board Meeting due to a conflict with that evening. The Queen contest is taking place that evening and Alderman Nierman, and the Mayor will not be present. The decision is to have the meeting on 8/23/2022 @ 5:30 P.M.

Alderman Nierman left the meeting at 6:58 P.M.

Administrator Klussman advised it will have to be in order to have another public hearing on September 19, 2022 @ 6:00 P. M .

Alderman Kruse made a motion to advertise for the Public Hearing to get input for the budget that is being presented.

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 3 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed.

Mayor requested motion to adjourn. Alderman Lindemann made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Kruse seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 4 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative, and 0 Aldermen voting Nay.

Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed 3/0.

Meeting Adjourned.

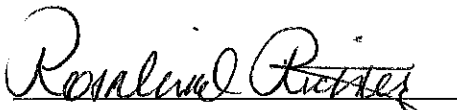
Time noted: 7:01 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted


Rosalind Richter, City Clerk

Approved this 23rd day of August 2022


Michael T. Brown, Mayor


Rosalind Richter, City Clerk

