

MINUTES

City of Concordia Board of Alderpersons Regular Meeting

Location: Concordia Community Center, Room 202
802 S. Gordon Street
Date: Monday, March 7, 2022
Time: 5:00 P.M.

The March 7, 2022, regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Concordia was called to order at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Michael Brown presiding. The Aldermen present were Kaleb Nierman, Mary Beth Scherer, Wayne Lindemann. Also in attendance were Kathleen Powers, The Concordian, Rosalind Richter, City Clerk, Dale Klussman, City Administrator, Grant Karr, KC Bobcat, Tyler Riordon, Republic Services, Richard Cordes, resident of Harmony Heights and Bob Schnieders, City Attorney.

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

Alderman Nierman: **Present**
Alderman Kruse: **Absent**
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 March 7, 2022, regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was presented for discussion. Alderman Scherer advised in the future to alleviate any confusion make sure to list Mary Beth Scherer, instead of Beth Scherer. Alderman Lindemann also pointed out the misspelling of Waste on page 5. Also fix the error of adding the correct Alderman that seconded a motion on page 6. Alderman Scherer made the motion to accept the Minutes of February 22, 2022, with corrections. Alderman Lindemann seconded this motion. Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with 3 Aldermen voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed with the minutes of the February 22, 2022, regular meeting accepted **and approved.**

The Claims Register was reviewed for consideration of payment authorization. Administrator Dale Klussman discussed the expense paid to GFI, for the purchase of the large copier and the desk top printer for water bills. Administrator also advised the payment to Meyer Motors for the repairs to the police white explorer. City Clerk, Rosalind Richter also discussed one additional expense that needed clarification before presenting to the board for payment. The expense was for Brenntag, a statement was not received until March 7,

2022, and was for two months in the amount of \$1,079.48 each making a total of \$2,158.96 total for the months of January and February 2022.

With no further discussion, Alderman Nierman made the motion to introduce Resolution No. 2022-R-07, authorizing payment of the bills consolidated by fund as shown on the Claims Register Report as well as the additional expense to be paid.

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 and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown requested a roll call on Resolution 2022-R-07, the votes recorded as follows:

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

Mayor Brown declared the motion adopting Resolution 2022-R-07 duly passed 3/0.

Business from the Audience included Mr. Richard Cordes asked about the meeting to be held regarding 23 Highway. Mayor Brown advised there is a public forum to be held in Knob Noster on March 29, 2022, at 5:30 PM and a public forum for Concordia as well but a time has not been set. Mr. Cordes from Harmony Heights subdivision also expressed his disappointment with the trash service as the pickup generally is two weeks at a time not weekly as he and neighbors get missed. Mr. Cordes is requesting to be incorporated into the Tuesday runs, as there might be less chance of his area to be missed. Mr. Cordes also spoke about the July event that is to take place at Southside Park and wanted to know what impact the work that is supposed to start will have regarding the event. Administrator Dale Klussman advised the electrical work is to start and anticipates very minimal impact on this event. Mr. Corder asked about the mowing hay around City Lake. Mr. Klussman advised no one had submitted a packet. Mr. Cordes advised Mike Hemme had been out of town but will let him know the deadline which is March 16, 2022.

No Old Business.

Under **new business**, Dale Klussman, City Administrator introduced Tyler Riordon, Republic Services. Mr. Klussman discussed with Tyler previously on the phone,

and it was advised there will be a permanent driver added to service the City of Concordia instead of "sub drivers". Tyler mentioned the company is trying to improve their services and mentions there is still a driver shortage – which in turn a sub driver has to be brought in – and the driver could be from anywhere in the US and the sub driver not knowing the route. Tyler informed the board and Klussman they have realized having a driver who is strictly on this route is best for the City of Concordia. Klussman advised having a regular schedule is also going to be required, and if the time changes our residents need to know prior to the day of pick up. Republic is requesting to have a 6:00 AM start time, advised flyers could be sent as well to the residents of Concordia with no additional fee to do so. Administrator advised Tyler the maps of the city will need to make sense and wants the map to be generated for any driver servicing Concordia.

The recycling program is something the City of Concordia would like to see returned. Tyler advised with the circumstances there is not any time frame if/when recycling will return. However, he did mention there is some consideration of possibly, if the city is interested, to have a common drop off area instead of curb side recycling. Mayor Brown advised Tyler with the concerns from the residents and suggested a package be put together to review as the City may not commit to recycled program at this time due to cost. Tyler did mention there could be a rebate depending on the amount of recycling is picked up, up to \$100.00 rebate of the billing cycle, or paid out annually. Dale Klussman asked if there is going to be any issues during the summer regarding yard waste Tyler assured there will be no issues. Mayor Brown asked if the recycling stopped due to it being combined and what if the recycling was separated. Tyler stated it was because the recycling was combined and due to this it was going to the landfill.

Alderman Nierman made a motion to adopt the 6:00 AM trash pick up to ensure the driver has time make every stop each day, with proper notification. Alderman Lindemann seconded this motion. Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with 3 Aldermen voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion duly passed.

Mayor requested a formal email be sent to Republic as to where the poly carts will need to be delivered.

Administrator Klussman provided a request to authorize the purchase of two portable work lights to provide compliance with MoDOT permit requirement for flaggers on MoDOT right-of-way during water line repairs, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00.

Alderman Scherer asked what the warranty would be, it was advised by the Administrator the warranty would be an "As Is" warranty. Dale advised the council the equipment was used by Foley. Alderman Nierman wanted to know how many times the equipment would be used, according to the Administrator there has been at least two water repairs on MoDOT rights-of-way, however the equipment could be used elsewhere when needed. Administrator Klussman advised the council this is about meeting the requirements and complying, as well as safety for the staff and citizens to make sure employees are being seen.

With no further discussion, Alderman Nierman made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-R-08, authorizing the purchase of two (2) mobile lighting stations in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 to be charged to Fund 10 and stating their intent to reimburse Fund 10 on or before September 30, 2022.

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 3 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown requested a roll call on Resolution 2022-R-08, the votes recorded as follows:

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

Mayor Brown declared the motion adopting Resolution 2022-R-08 duly passed 3/0.

Next on the agenda, Administrator Klussman brought the discussion of financing a Bobcat T76. Klussman posed the question to the counsel as to whether or not the City would want a government lease, lease through Bobcat and if the City wants to move forward with getting a bigger compact loader. Grant Karr, KC Bobcat spoke with council to explain Bobcat's Government Lease Program and Financing options toward such purchase. Grant also discussed the main concerns with the equipment the city has not the mowing with the brush cutters, stating the T76 will provide more power and much more stability on the hills for employees to mow.

If the City purchased a two (2) year package the return is going to be at least 75% of cost that the equipment can be sold for. The warranty would include up to 2000 hours and 2-year full-service maintenance, which also includes maintenance within 24 hours. The equipment will have a Beacon light, it runs 12 miles an hour. The question for Board consideration is whether to authorize the purchase of the Bobcat T76 machine, so it can be scheduled for building, at the

price of \$71,846.28. If the order is placed, Mr. Kerr estimates that the machine would be delivered in August. There is an opportunity for the City to purchase an additional warranty after the 2 year is up. The payment for the equipment will not begin until it is received, with an estimated time frame around August 2022.

The Board of Aldermen will discuss financing of the machine at future meetings.

Alderman Scherer made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-R-09 authorizing the placement of an order for a Bobcat T-76 Skid Steer Loader for the City of Concordia, Missouri.

Alderman Lindemann seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 3 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown requested a roll call on Resolution 2022-R-09, the votes recorded as follows:

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

Mayor Brown declared the motion adopting Resolution 2022-R-09 duly passed 3/0.

Next on the agenda, Administrator Dale Klussman, gave an update on the Park Maintenance Position. As of March 7, 2022, no applications for the position have been received. Klussman requested a position for the Maintenance Department to be advertised, which in turn will help with the Parks when needed. Dale will separate funds accordingly between the two departments as it is done now when Maintenance does work for the water department, etc. The staff keeps track on time sheets.

The aquatics center was mentioned about the supervision of it. Dale advised Aaron Marsh would be placed there and oversee it.

Alderman Lindemann made a motion to authorize the advertisement of the Maintenance Position. 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 and 0 Aldermen voting Nay.

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Under Administrator Report, Dale Klussman advised he will be out of the office half day on March 8, and all of March 9, 2022.

Mayor Brown gave his condolences to the Administrator about the passing of his father and shared the funeral arrangements with the Board of Alderman.

Mayor mentioned the public forum being held in Knob Noster on March 29th, 2022, at 5:30 PM regarding Highway 23, and shared one again one will be held in Warrensburg, as well as Concordia but times have not been set for those two.

Mayor Brown mentioned the invite received from Sweet Springs Medical Center as they are having an open house, unfortunately he will not be able to attend due to prior engagements. Also mentioned, was there will be a meeting for the Lake Board held on March 10, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

Alderman Scherer no news to report.

Alderman Lindemann no news to report.

Alderman Kruse is absent; Mayor requested the Administrator to report on her behalf. Klussman discussed the Park and Recreational Committee meetings that took place this past week. Advised that KC Blaze had to pull the registrations as they were completely full and unfortunately couldn't take any more. Mention of having a fall/winter basketball league had been discussed as well hoping this is something that can take place. During the meeting, discussion of what type of light poles in the park were going to be used in terms of metal vs wood poles. Favorable to the metal, as they can hide the wires, and durability. Klussman advised restroom improvements will be held off until tree removal/trimming can be done, at which time also burying the electrical lines. The new basketball courts will also be done later on as well. Dale advised the board, there was a recommendation from the Park Board to approve the creation of a plan by Crockett Engineering utilizing the topo plan already created to create such plans to prepare the design of the underground installation of the electrical services and to create a lighting plan for Concordia Park. Furthermore, that a plan for the tree trimming and tree removal for Concordia Park be presented as soon as possible. This plan may address the area outside of the project area, primarily along Missouri Highway 23. Also mentioned Jody Bergman, Parks Director, would like to promote the Community Garden concept to interest parties and then present their business plan to the Parks Subcommittee for consideration, at which time they could make a formal recommendation to the Board of Alderman.

Alderman Nierman Made the motion adopting recommendation for Park.
Alderman Lindemann seconded this motion.

With no further discussion, Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Ayes and Nays, with 3 Alderpersons voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Motion duly passed, carrying a vote of 3-0.

Alderman Nierman mentioned, he would like for the City to work towards getting fillable forms online, especially forms regarding the sport activities. Alderman Nierman understands they are online, but preferably have them as a fillable form instead. City Clerk, Rosalind Richter, advised some forms are in the process of being created such as business permits/license and pet license. Richter discussed in order for the form to be created the questions and non-fillable form would have to be submitted in a time frame that allows the form to be created.

Mayor Brown mentioned the Civic Club meeting and the discussion regarding the S Curve on 23, and trash information.

Mayor entertained motion to go to a closed session.

Alderman Nierman made a motion to enter into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (1)- *Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys, ...*

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

Mayor Brown requested a roll call on the motion to enter closed session, the votes recorded as follows:

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

Mayor Brown declared the motion to enter closed session duly passed 3/0.

Meeting suspended.

Time noted: 6:24 P.M.

The Board reconvened follow their closed session.

Alderman Nierman made the motion to reconvene the open session for the purpose of conducting business for the City of Concordia.

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

Mayor Brown requested a roll call on the motion to reconvene the open session for the purpose of conducting business for the City of Concordia, the votes recorded as follows:

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

Mayor Brown declared the motion to reconvene open session duly passed 3/0.

Time Noted: 6:57 PM.

Mayor Brown announced that no actions were taken during the Closed Session of the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Nierman made the motion to adjourn.

Alderman Scherer seconded this motion.

Mayor Brown requested votes recorded by the Yeas and Nays, with 3 Aldermen voting in the affirmative and 0 Aldermen voting Nay. Mayor Brown declared the motion to adjourn duly passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

Time noted: 6:58 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rosalind Richter".

Rosalind Richter, City Clerk

Approved this 21st day of March 2022

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael T. Brown".

Michael T, Brown, Mayor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rosalind Richter".

Rosalind Richter, City Clerk