

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
June 16, 2014**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, June 16, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ron Shaffer called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Ashley Weaver, Jori Nelson, Steve Noll, Eric Mikkelson, Andrew Wang, Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden, Ted Odell and Terrence Gallagher.

Also present were: Wes Jordan, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Director of Public Works; Katie Logan, City Attorney; Quinn Bennion, City Administrator; Kate Gunja, Assistant City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director; Danielle Dulin, Assistant to the City Administrator; Nic Sanders, Human Resources Manager and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

Mayor Shaffer led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Meggan Prosser-Gebhardt, 4637 West 70th Street, spoke in support of the possible purchase of parkland from Homestead Country Club. She believes parks improve the quality of life and promotes a healthy lifestyle. Parks form community. She felt Prairie Village had a unique balance of urbanism and small town community feel.

Jason Dippel, 4318 Homestead Circle, and Amy Moore, 6810 Linden Street expressed their support for the purchase of parkland from Homestead Country Club.

Dwain Crispell, 7528 Colonial, addressed the upcoming changes to open carry laws and urged the City to be proactive in informing residents and businesses of the changes. He believes in the right to bear arms, but does not believe it is necessary to carry firearms into private businesses.

Kristen Searle, 6624 El Monte, asked the City Council to consider the purchase of additional parkland and the Homestead County Club financial situation as separate issues. She stated the purchase of green space for parkland by the City is not a bailout of the Country Club. She feels this is the last opportunity for parkland in Ward 1. If the Homestead property changes ownership, she would like to see it retain openness and singled family residences.

Quinn Bennion responded that City officials are aware of Homestead's desires and plans to restructure the club and the property. When and if the City takes an active role in the property, a public announcement will be made.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ashley Weaver moved the approval of the Consent Agenda for Monday, June 16, 2014:

1. Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes - June 2, 2014
2. Approve contract with Kansas City Crime Commission for the TIPS Hotline Crime Stoppers Program in the amount of \$3,000
3. Approve the issuance of a Cereal Malt Beverage License for the remainder of 2014 to Rimann Liquors of Prairie Village, LLC
4. Approve VillageFest Contract with Missouri Irish Brigade for a Civil War Living History Exhibit at a cost of \$300 and Ararat Shrine Clowns at a cost of \$600
5. Adopt Resolution 2014-01 amending the 2014 compensation ranges for the positions of Assistant to the City Administrator and Part-Time Management Intern.

6. Approve an Interlocal Agreement for Information Technology Services with the Johnson County Department of Technology and Innovation

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting “aye”: Weaver, Nelson, Noll, Mikkelson, Wang, Morehead, Runion, McFadden, Odell and Gallagher.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Shaffer reported he represented the City at several events during the past weeks including several Northeast Johnson County Chamber functions, Brighton Gardens 15th Anniversary celebration, Johnson/Wyandotte Mayors meeting with Kansas Legislators, UCS Board Meeting and the MARC annual meeting also attended by several Council members. He recently participated in the National Area Regional Conference, where after three terms on the Board was elected to serve as Senior Vice President.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Committee of the Whole

COU2014-20 HB2578 and Consider Ordinance 2311 repealing certain provisions of the Code of the City of Prairie Village

Mayor Shaffer noted this item was discussed in detail at the earlier meeting and is necessary to be in compliance with House Bill 2578 on July 1st. He expressed his disappointment in this reduction to Home Rule for the City.

City Attorney Katie Logan briefly reviewed the impact of the proposed ordinance which repeals certain provisions of the city Code regarding firearms and conceal carry effective July 1, 2014. She anticipates some of the provisions would be addressed again when the City considers and adopts the 2014 Uniform Public Offense Code. Until

that time certain provisions of the code would be not be addressed as municipal violations but as state violations with prosecution by the District Attorney.

On behalf of the Council Committee of the Whole, Ashley Weaver moved the Governing Body adopt Ordinance 2311 repealing certain provisions of the Code of the City of Prairie Village regulating firearms and knives by amending Article 1 of Chapter XI of the Code of the City of Prairie Village, 2003, entitled "Public Offenses & Traffic" by repealing Section 10.1 "Criminal Use of Weapons" and Section 10.1.1 "Conceal Carry Where Prohibited" and by Repealing Section 12-104, entitled "Dangerous Weapons not allow" of Article 1 "City Parks" of Chapter XII "Public Property". The motion was seconded by Ted Odell.

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting "aye": Weaver, Noll, Wang, Odell, Gallagher, Shaffer; and "nay" Nelson, Mikkelson, Morehead, Runion, McFadden. The ordinance was declared adopted by a vote of 6 to 5.

VillageFest

Courtney McFadden encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Villagefest Celebration on Friday, July 4th. Volunteers are still needed. VillageFest Co-Chairman Marianne Noll stated there will be a variety of events and exhibits. Brooke Morehead commented on the importance of the City offering community events for both children and for adults.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Safety

- Chief Jordan reported the Special Olympics Torch Run was successful and thanked Mayor Shaffer for welcoming the runners as they came through Prairie Village.

- Chief reported on the proposed upcoming balloon launch at a local business. He stated that balloon releases on private property are not regulated by the City; therefore there was no “approval” process.

Public Works

- Keith Bredehoeft provided an update on Taliaferro Park project with work continuing next week.
- WaterOne is still working on their water line break at Prairie Park.
- There has been a significant number of downed trees and tree limbs with the recent strong winds and saturated soils.

Administration

- Danielle Dulin announced that the City received a check for \$250 from a Macy's Grant for Franklin Park.
- The City Council pictures have been reframed and hung in the Multi-purpose Room.
- The Mission Lane project is on schedule to finish in August.
- Kate Gunja announced the City has two staff openings - Municipal Court Administrator and Human Resources Manager.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to come before the City Council.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the City Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks include:

Prairie Village Arts Council	06/18/2014	7:00 p.m.
Recreational Vehicle Work Group	06/19/2014	11:30 a.m.
Environment/Recycle Committee	06/25/2014	7:00 p.m.
VillageFest Committee	06/26/2014	7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission	07/01/2014	7:00 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole	07/07/2014	6:00 p.m.
City Council	07/07/2014	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to present a mixed media exhibit by Helen Benson as the June exhibit in the R. G. Enders Gallery

Recreation memberships are on sale through the City Clerk's Office.

The City offices will be closed Friday, July 4, in observance of the Independence Day holiday. Deffenbaugh also observes this holiday so Friday's trash pick-up will be delayed one day.

VillageFest is Friday, July 4th from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All Prairie Village residents swim free at the Prairie Village pool from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk