

Minutes
City Council
February 5, 2024

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at the Utility Shop on the 5th day of February, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same being annexed to the minutes of the meeting as Attachment #1, said attachment showing how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this notice, the same having been transmitted to each Council Member simultaneously. The Mayor presided and the Deputy City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Routine Business

The following Council Members were present: Lance Beethe, Alicia Brommer, Travis Goracke, Jim Reed, Tyler Speckmann. Absent: Lorie Topp. Others present: Mayor, 2 Staff, City Attorney, 5 Public, 1 Media

Meeting called to order at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Grof read a statement of availability of current copy of Open Meeting Act.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda – None

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing and Comment, Family Dollar, LLC, 281 N. 12th Street, Tecumseh, NE 68450 has filed an application with the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission for the issuance of a Retail Liquor License Class B (Beer, Off Sale Only). Hearing Opened at 5:03 p.m. Public comment, Russ Behrends and Amy Behrends spoke as local liquor owners/operators in concerns with unfair corporate competition and the need to support local small businesses. Alicia Brommer spoke to concerns of lack of store safety, security lack of staffing, minor entering and exiting with little oversight. Hearing Closed at 5:26 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Whitehead Oil Company, dba: U-Stop #36, 795 N. 13th Street, Tecumseh, NE 68450 has filed an application with the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission for the issuance of a Retail Liquor License Class D (Beer, Wine, Distilled Spirits, Off Sale Only). Hearing Opened at 5:26 p.m. No public comment was received. Hearing Closed at 5:27 p.m.

Regular Agenda

Sheriff's Report-provided.

Streets Report- Doug Goracke- Snow removal went good. Ordering more Ice Slicer. Need to replace truck and plow in this budget cycle, will look at options and present them at next meeting.

Economic Development Report- Doug Goracke- Property on 11th pretty much cleaned up. Issues with 911 addresses inside city limits. Working towards public involvement meeting for the public on the DTR Planning grant.

Utility Dept. Report- Doug Goracke- 4 service calls. Mostly snow removal activities. Working up estimate for JCH on moving electric line. Meeting with Olsson on final design on Monday. Proposal has been submitted for NDEE grant.

Parks Report- No Updates.

Consider approving Class B Liquor License Application for Family Dollar, LLC. Motion by Brommer to deny application, motion failed due to lack of 2nd. Motion by Beethe to approve liquor license, seconded by Goracke. Voting Aye: Beethe, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, . Voting Nay: Brommer. None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Consider approving Class D Liquor License Application for U-Stop. Motion by Beethe to approve liquor license, seconded by Speckmann. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Consider quote from Eakes for Executive Chairs for Council Chambers-\$7,395.00. Motion by Reed to approve purchase, seconded by Speckmann. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Consider successful completion of 6 month probationary period for Amanda Genuchi, Asst. Librarian, Library Board recommended \$1.00/hr wage increase. Motion by Reed to approve \$1.00 increase, seconded by Brommer. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Consider recommended wage increase for Jeremy Gripenstroh of \$1.50. Motion by Goracke to approve \$1.50 increase, seconded by Beethe. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Review and Consider recommended 2024 Parks & Rec Wages as presented. PARKS & REC COORIDINATOR, \$22.50/hr; AQUATIC MANAGER, \$22.00 /hr; HEAD LIFEGUARD,\$16.00/hr; LIFEGUARDS,\$15.00 /hr; SLIDE ATTENDANT, \$13.75 /hr, CONCESSIONS ASST. MNGR, \$13.00/hr; CONCESSIONS LEAD, \$12.50/hr; CONCESSIONS WORKERS, \$12.00 /hr
FAMILY PASS: \$175 Early/\$200 Limit of 4 per family pass - \$20.00 for each additional
INDIVIDUAL PASS: \$75 Early/\$100
DAILY TICKET - ADULT \$5.00
DAILY TICKET - STUDENT \$4.00
CHILDREN UNDER FIVE (5) \$2.00 for each child under 5
SWIMMING LESSONS \$50.00
POOL PARTY \$150.00 / hour
WATER AEROBICS \$5.00 / session or \$100.00 / season
FIELD/UMPIRE COORDINATOR \$450.00 - Umpire coordinator, \$30.00 / field - Field Coordinator
SENIOR LEGION COACH \$1,600.00 / season
JUNIOR LEGION COACH \$1,600.00 / season
GIRLS 16/18 SOFTBALL COACH \$1,600.00 / season
MOWING \$15.00 / hour

Motion by Reed to approve wages as presented. seconded by Goracke. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Consider Section 504-Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 policy. Motion by Speckmann to approve policy, seconded by Beethe. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp. Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

Motion by Topp, second by Speckmann to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve minutes of the January 16, 2024 meeting
2. Pay bills for City Funds

Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Voting Nay: None. Absent: Topp.
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Kerri Miller, Deputy City Clerk

Jesse Grof, Mayor