

City of St. Paul Regular Meeting
704 6th Street
St. Paul, NE 68873

Monday, May 3, 2021

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Paul, Nebraska was held at City Hall in said City on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Joel M. Bergman and Council members Katie Kowalski, Jerry Thompson, Chuck Schmid & Mike Feeken. Absent: None. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Phonograph Herald, a legal newspaper published in said City and County. Notice of the meeting was also posted in four (4) public places. Notice of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice. All proceeds thereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was opened to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Bergman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the "Pledge of Allegiance" and thanking the public for attending and announcing that the City of St. Paul abides by the Open Meetings Act, which is posted on the west wall as required by Nebraska State Law §84-1407 through §84-1414. Mayor Bergman also stated that the City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by NE State Law §84-1410.

Individuals who have appropriate agenda items for City Council consideration should complete the "Request for Future Agenda Items" form located at the City Office. If the issue can be handled administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given. Also, any City patrons that are requesting "Public Records" or have "Questions or Concerns" in regards to the City, they need to be submitted in writing to the City of St. Paul, so that it can be addressed appropriately. These forms are available online, in a file folder on the back wall of the Council Chambers or at the City Office.

There was an opportunity for individuals wishing to provide input on any of tonight's agenda items. Those individuals were asked to reserve time to speak.

Council member Feeken moved to approve the Special Designated Liquor (SDL) application for Jakester LLC (Jake's Bar #123825) at 706 7th Street on Saturday, July 10, 2021 regarding a Grover Cleveland Alexander (GCA) Day dance. The event will be from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.; identification will be checked for underage drinking, along with the stipulation of meeting all Directed Health Measures (DHM) and social distancing guidelines if Loup Basin Public Health Department requires it. City Clerk Beck has received Jake's Bar Certificate of Liability & Liquor insurance, along with the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce (GCA Day) Certificate of Insurance. Council member Kowalski seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Sergeant Greenwalt approved the Special Designated Liquor (SDL) application.

Council member Thompson moved to approve Jake's Bars request to close streets for the Grover Cleveland Alexander (GCA) Days street dance: (1) 6th Street between Howard Avenue and Grand Street; and (2) All of the alley in Block Nineteen (19), Original Town and in Block Twenty (20), Original Town, along with the Band members utilizing the City Council Chambers as a dressing room. No alcohol is permitted in the City facility; Jake's Bar is hiring Double Lock for the event security. The City (Police) south door will be utilized as the main entrance for the Police Department. Council member Schmid seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

City Police Officer Trev Sharman was present to discuss the health and sanitation issues at the 108 Howard Avenue apartments. The Police Dept. had numerous conversations with the tenants to remedy the dog, garbage, bed bug and sound problems; no changes have been accomplished. Council member Schmid stated that the issue needs to be resolved. The City Council instructed the City Police Dept. to begin citing the number of dogs and cats for each residential apartment. Council member Kowalski moved to allow the St. Paul Police Dept. to

begin the Municipal Code "Nuisance Abatement" process for the 108 Howard Avenue apartments. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Schmid moved to approve the request from the Methodist and St. Mark Churches in closing Howard Avenue between Wallace and Sheridan Streets and Jackson Street between Howard Avenue and Indian Street regarding a "Blessing of the Bike's". The event will be on Friday, May 21, 2021 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. after the St. Paul school buses leave. There will be five (5) stations: Safety, Maintenance, Obstacle Course, Decorating and the "Blessing of the Bike's". Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Thompson moved to approve Royal Coachmen Car Club (Don Sack) closing City streets for the "Tour De Nebraska" Car Club on Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.: (1) 7th Street between Jay and Indian Streets; (2) 7th Street between Indian and Howard Avenue; and (3) 7th Street between Howard Avenue and Grand Streets. The east and west intersections will be left open, due to approximately 450 cars coming through St. Paul. The City has been provided a Certificate of Insurance from the Royal Coachmen Car Club. Council member Schmid seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Don Sack was present to answer questions from the Council.

Council member Feeken moved to approve the Royal Coachmen Car Club (Don Sack) hosting a "Show & Shine" car show in the north City Park for Grover Cleveland Alexander (GCA) Days on Saturday, July 10, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A Certificate of Insurance has been provided to the City by the Royal Coachmen Car Club and the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce regarding the event. Council member Schmid seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Howard County approved the drag races.

After a brief discussion regarding the Loup Basin Resource, Conservation and Development Council, Council member Feeken moved to approve Consent Agenda items: (1) April 19, 2021 Council minutes; (2) April 26, 2021 zoning permits; (3) May 3, 2021 disbursements; and (4) Well permit for Lumir J. Jelinek (705 Custer Street); approved by Water Commissioner Ronnie Switzer. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

May 3, 2021 Disbursements

Heritage Bank (UB ACH Fee)	25.00
Payroll: April 2021	119697.98
BOK Financial (Interest)	5085.94
Quick Med Claims (Service)	566.58
Secure Storage LLC (assessment reimb)	2804.41
Bomgaars (supplies)	764.60
Cardmember Svc (education, supplies, postage)	953.93
Charter Spectrum (service)	219.96
City Health Deductible Savings (insurance)	6534.00
City of St. Paul 125 Plan (insurance)	160.00
Custer County Recycling (service)	22.60
Dutton Lanson (supplies)	1160.85
Filtercare of Nebraska (service)	70.90
Hometown Market (supplies)	9.55
Howard Co. Treasurer (dispatch fee)	2782.05
Howard Greeley RPPD (utilities)	122331.47
IIMC (dues)	290.00
Itron (computer)	1370.85
John Deere Financial (supplies)	117.20
Loup Basin RC&D (dues)	100.00
Loup Central Landfill Assn (assessment)	2290.00
Lower Loup NRD (supplies)	25.00
Madison National Life (insurance)	182.58

Midland Telecom (supplies)	219.85
Miller Seed (supplies)	327.84
Municipal Supply (supplies)	654.75
NMVCA (dues, repair)	40.00
OfficeNet (supplies)	59.98
Oisson (engineering)	18425.74
Overland Ready Mixed (concrete)	424.40
Parts Bin (supplies)	150.42
Recreonics (supplies)	575.84
Regional Care (insurance)	93.50
SE Smith & Sons (supplies)	95.70
Servi-Tech Laboratories (lab)	251.50
Smith Welding (service)	28.70
St. Paul Swimming Pool (start-up money)	210.00
State of Nebraska Central Svcs (telephone)	159.79
United Healthcare (insurance)	23701.29
Verizon Wireless (phones)	184.52

May 3, 2021 Non-General

Civic: Charter/Spectrum (internet)	181.95
Civic: Midwest Restaurant Supply (repair)	798.86
Civic: NE Fire Sprinkler (fee)	210.00
Civic: After Prom Committee (refund)	37.00
Civic: Heartland Disposal (service)	80.00
Civic: Verizon Wireless (phone)	41.13
Sales Tax: Street - Mtr Veh Tax (from tax)	3683.19
Sales Tax: 25% Infrastructure (from tax)	6515.24
TIF: S. Squared #8659 (Tif)	685.71
TIF: City of St. Paul Share of MAD Dev. (Tif)	2449.25
TIF: MAD Dev. Share of MAD Dev. (Tif)	2449.26

Council member Feeken moved to approve City Clerk Beck transferring \$50,000 from the Sales Tax Money Market Account and placing it into the Sales Tax Checking Account; this is to pay out the Street Motor Vehicle Tax and 25% Infrastructure funds from sales tax proceeds. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Schmid moved to approve purchasing an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to be placed at the City park building or at the ball-park concession stand. Council member Kowalski seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. The Park Money Market account will absorb the cost of the AED.

Utility Superintendent Helzer stated that the City will be getting the Swimming Pool ready for the season and the seasonal help will also begin work, so that they can assist in mowing the Elmwood Cemetery.

After Police Officer Trev Sharman gave a brief police update, Mayor Bergman stated that the Howard County Sheriff's Dept. and the NE State Patrol are assisting the St. Paul Police Dept. with coverage and man power. Mayor Bergman thanked Police Officer Trev Sharman for taking on extra hours.

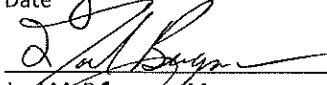
Council member Schmid reported on a flag complaint at Custer and Jackson Streets; the flag is inappropriate with it being too close to school.

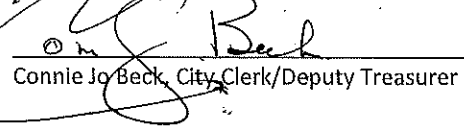
Mayor Bergman updates include: (1) City bricks sold; (2) \$320 was discovered in Chief of Police Paczosa's desk that had donation / Christmas funds written on the envelope; the money was placed in the City Police account; (3) the City has a vacancy on the RC & D Board if a Council member wants to take the position; and (4) Diane Becker with the League Association of Risk Management (LARM) was present today to award the City of St. Paul a 20 year service plaque.

Council member Kowalski moved to go into Closed Session at 7:41 p.m. for pending litigation regarding the Anthony Dush settlement. Council member Schmid seconded the motion. A motion was made and seconded to go into Closed Session for pending litigation regarding the Anthony Dush settlement. There was no discussion. The pending motion is to go into Closed Session for pending litigation regarding the Anthony Dush settlement. Council members Kowalski, Thompson, Schmid & Feeken voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Mayor Bergman adjourned the closed session at 7:50 p.m. No action was taken.

Mayor Bergman adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:54 p.m.

May 17, 2021
Date


Joel M. Bergman, Mayor


Connie Jo Beck, City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer