

City of Tea
Regular Meeting
May 21, 2012

A regular meeting of the Tea City Council was held at Tea City Hall on May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor John Lawler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Sidney Munson, Brian Fowlds, Chuck Ortmeier, Herman Otten, Joe Weis and Todd Boots. Also present was Finance Officer Dawn Murphy, Administrative Assistant/Economic Development Director Jenni White, Police Chief Brian Ketterhagen, Utility Superintendent Thad Konrad, Planning & Zoning Administrator Kevin Nissen, City Engineer Jason Kjenstad and Fire Department President Dale Cook.

AGENDA. MOTION 12-76. MOTION by Boots, seconded by Weis to approve the May 21, 2012 agenda. All members voted AYE.

CUP PUBLIC HEARING. As this was the time set, Mayor Lawler opened the public hearing for a Conditional Use Permit for a group daycare at 305 W. 7th Street. The planning board recommended approval. There were no comments for or against the application. **MOTION 12-77. MOTION** by Otten, seconded by Ortmeier to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Crystal Glasgow to operate a group daycare at 305 W. 7th St., Lot 22, Block 11, Prairie Trails Addition. All members voted AYE.

MINUTES. MOTION 12-78. MOTION by Ortmeier, seconded by Fowlds to approve the May 7, 2012 minutes. All members voted AYE.

TRAFFIC ISSUES. Mike Hofer was present to voice his concerns over the speeding and stop sign violations at the corner of 4th Street and Poplar Ave. There was a lengthy discussion on possible solutions. The police department has been trying to patrol the area more and will continue to do so. Chief Ketterhagen is also applying for a grant to purchase a speed trailer.

SKY BAR DANCE. Justin from Sky Bar was present again to update the council on the proposed location of their Tea Pot Day dance. The neighbor to the east of the building is against the dance. There was a lengthy discussion on where the band should be located. **MOTION 12-79. MOTION** by Boots, seconded by Weis to allow the dance on 2nd St. with the band set up just west of the alley drive way with the band facing west. Access must remain open to the alley. Members Otten, Munson, Weis, Boots and Ortmeier voted AYE. Member Fowlds voted No. Motion carried.

ENGINEERING. The overlay project will be completed May 22. Traffic counts have been completed at 1st St. and 468th Ave. and at 271st St. and 468th Ave.

ZONING. There will be a joint City Council and Planning and Zoning Meeting on June 18th at 6:00 p.m. There is an issue the bike path at the park. Apparently a portion of the path was constructed and a light was placed on private property on the north side. It was the consensus of the council to see if the owner would be willing to swap some land to correct the situation.

POOL STAFF. MOTION 12-80. MOTION by Otten, seconded by Boots to accept Alicia Karn's resignation as cashier and hire Megan Ganschow and Allison Grave as cashiers at \$8.00 per hour. All members voted AYE. **MOTION 12-81. MOTION** by Fowlds, seconded by Weis to adjust Leah Howes wage to \$10.25 per hour as a fill in pool employee. All members voted AYE.

MOTION 12-82. MOTION by Fowlds, seconded by Weis change the following pool employee's wages: Chase Baker, Head Lifeguard, \$11.00 per hour and Maggie Aldrich, Lifeguard, \$8.75 per hour. All members voted

COMMITTEE REPORTS. There will be ribbon cutting at Picker's Choice and at A & A Coins at noon on May 23rd. There continues to be problems at the park restroom with vandalism. A cost estimate was received from Prestige Sound and Electronics to put in video monitoring equipment for \$828.92. It was the consensus of the council to go ahead and have the equipment installed. Fire Department President introduced Wayne Ables as the new treasurer for the fire department.

MOTION 12-83. MOTION by Weis, seconded by Fowlds to adjourn at 8:43 p.m. All members voted AYE.

John M. Lawler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dawn R. Murphy, Finance Officer

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