

The minutes of the Fairmont City Council meeting held on Monday, November 13, 2017 at the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Deborah Foster called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Deborah Foster, Council Members Ruth Cyphers, Tom Hawkins, Wayne Hasek, Bruce Peters and Jim Zarling were present. Also in attendance: City Administrator Mike Humpal, Public Works Director/City Engineer Troy Nemmers, Finance Director Paul Hoye, City Attorney Elizabeth W. Bloomquist, City Clerk Patricia Monsen and Chief of Police Mike Hunter.

It was moved by Council Member Hasek to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Zarling seconded the motion and the motion carried.

It was moved by Council Member Cyphers, seconded by Council Member Hawkins and carried to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of October 23, 2017.

During open discussion, Chief Hunter spoke about the draft Body Worn Camera Policy and invited the public to give their opinions and comments. There was no public input. Chief Hunter stated that the policy will be reviewed, and a final policy will be brought before the Council in December for approval.

Mayor Foster proclaimed November 2017 as General Aviation Appreciation Month. Lee Steinkamp, Airport Manager gave an update on the Fairmont Airport.

Annette Larson, Peggy Sue Garbers and State Patrol Trooper Josh Kuisle, representatives from Martin County Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) committee gave a presentation about the program and their goals. They offered a proposed ordinance and requested that a representative from the Fairmont City Council be involved with TZD.

Council Member Zarling made a motion to approve the application for a solicitor's license submitted by American Exteriors, LLC. Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Member Peters made a motion to declare Park Unit 55A VIN# 1GCGD34J4EF352476 1984 Chev K-2500 as excess property to be sold. Council Member Hasek seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Member Zarling made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2017-38**, establishing the City of Fairmont's 2018 polling place as the Knights of Columbus Hall. Council Member Hasek seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Hawkins, Peters, Zarling, Cyphers and Hasek all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Council Member Hawkins made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2017-37**, approving the applications and agreements for special assessment deferrals for Marilyn Wolter of 900 Cardinal Street, Orel A. Barker of 1691 N. State Street and Howard D. Simmering Revocable Trust % Shelley Simmering, POA of 1700 N. North Avenue. Council Member Peters seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Hasek, Hawkins, Peters, Zarling and Cyphers all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Council Member Hasek made a motion to approve the preliminary and final plat of the Kahler Addition. Council Member Zarling seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Wes Brown and Matt Lassonde of Bolton & Menk presented the updated Fairmont Active Transportation Plan. Council Member Zarling made a motion to approve **Resolution 2017-39**, adopting the 2017 updates to the Fairmont Active Transportation Plan. Council Member Peters seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Peters, Zarling, Cyphers, Hasek and Hawkins all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Humpal reminded everyone of the Glows Parade on Friday, November 17 at 6:00 p.m.

Council Member Cyphers stated that she attended the Martin County Veteran's Memorial Flag Raising and congratulated the entire group for a wonderful service.

Council Member Peters stated that Visit Fairmont would like to see the City incorporate short term rentals into our rental housing ordinance and would like to collect lodging tax on them and promote them. Humpal stated that since these short term rentals are fairly new, the City had been waiting for some legislative guidance. Humpal also stated that when the City's Planner gets back, there are plans to sit down with the County Assessor's Office and look at what other cities are doing with short term rentals.

Peters also stated that Visit Fairmont would like to have the City build a campground on the west shore of Sisseton Lake.

A motion was made by Council Member Zarling, seconded by Council Member Hasek and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

Deborah J. Foster
Mayor

Patricia J. Monsen, City Clerk