

Mayor Ed Sisson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Councilmembers Bill Raley, Robert Jurca, and Ray Penick along with City Manager Justin Clifton and City Attorney David Smith. Absent was Councilmember Mary Cooper. A meeting notice was posted in the south window at City Hall at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Mayor led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Changes to the Agenda**

There were none.

**Minutes**

The Clerk stated that there was one correction to the attendance statement.

It was moved by Councilmember Penick and seconded by Councilmember Jurca to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on August 5, 2014 as amended. All in favor, motion carried.

**Citizen Comments**

There were none.

**Public Hearing; Special Events Permit; Knights of Columbus**

The Mayor recessed the regular meeting and convened a public hearing.

The Clerk explained that Knights of Columbus has submitted a Special Events Permit application for their event scheduled for October 3, 2014 at the National Rifle Association's annual banquet. The application states that they plan to sell malt, vinous and spirituous liquor from 5:00pm to 11:00pm. The application is complete and all fees have been paid. A sign notifying the public of this hearing was posted at the site as required by law and no comments have been received.

The Mayor called for public comment and when there were none he closed the public hearing and reconvened the regular meeting.

It was moved by Councilmember Raley and seconded by Councilmember Penick to approve the special events permit for Knights of Columbus for October 3, 2014. All in favor, motion carried.

**Snack Bar Contract for Bill Heddles Recreation Center**

City Manager Justin Clifton stated that contract is being brought before Council due to requests from customers for healthy food alternatives at the recreation center. He also stated that Wilma Erven is here tonight to answer any questions.

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**Snack Bar Contract for Bill Heddles Recreation Center (cont.)**

Councilmember Penick questioned how staff arrived at the monthly figure with the area involved.

Recreation and Culture Director Wilma Erven reported that they contacted several different realtors in the area and asked them what the average rental rate is for businesses within an existing business. At that point, staff took the square footage and came up with the current figure.

Manager Clifton stated that staff has worked very well with the proposed tenants to work out the details of anything and everything, i.e.: design, construction, equipment etc.

There was discussion regarding the lease agreement being six months.

Councilmember Penick questioned if the area would affect any other events.

Ms. Erven responded that it will not affect the events.

Manager Clifton stated that the video games would go. He also stated that the city owned vending machines have been addressed.

Mayor Sisson questioned if the vending machines are staying.

Ms. Erven stated that the pop machines, games and the gum all are owned by a vendor. They will be removed. The company was notified of tonight's agenda and they chose not to come. The snack machine that is owned by the city will remain.

Councilmember Penick questioned what amount the city would lose with the machines being removed.

Ms. Erven stated the income from the vending machines is approximately \$700 a year.

It was moved by Councilmember Penick and seconded by Councilmember Jurca to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement for the snack bar at Bill Heddles Recreation Center. All in favor, motion carried.

**Public Hearing; Discussion Regarding Ballot Language/Draft Resolution**

The Mayor recessed the regular session and opened a public hearing. He called for public comment and when there was none he closed the public hearing and reconvened the regular meeting.

Manager Clifton stated that is a compilation of a lot of work starting back in 2012. The citizen financial task force was instituted to consider ways to put the city on a more stable financial track. As a result, the task force has recommended the two ballot questions. Additionally, Mr. Clifton stated that the City Council reviewed these ballot questions at previous work sessions. Staff has continued to try to engage the public with a few public meetings. In addition to that,

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**Public Hearing; Discussion Regarding Ballot Language/Draft Resolution (cont)**

staff has sent out some educational information regarding the questions in the utility bills and has made presentations at a number of service organizations.

Mr. Clifton explained that a lot of the feedback has been mild. The types of negatives comments that have been received relate to the TABOR question regarding local control. Some citizens feel that it's better that they have their hands on those rates. The recreation center tax question involves more discussion about the golf course. Some of the citizens are worried that the tax would go anywhere but the recreation center. Some citizens have expressed that it would be better to support the golf course through some kind of a sales tax, whether it's the existing recreation center tax or another. Some of the comments in favor of the questions are that the citizens feel that it is a smart idea and efficiency is good.

Mr. Clifton stated that the proposed language reflects the will of Council as set out a few months ago. He reminded Council that tonight they are approving the language not the resolution. The resolution will be brought back at the next meeting with any changes they would like to incorporate. He presented a few different options should Council like to revise the language.

Mayor Sisson commented that there are some citizens that are concerned about the golf course.

Councilmember Penick stated that he likes the way the ballot language is worded now.

Councilmember Raley stated that the only questions he has received are regarding the transfer from Municipal Light and Power (ML&P) to the golf course. The comments were if the city is going to use tax money to support the golf course then the city should not be transferring money from ML&P.

Mr. Clifton clarified that the city would still need the same amount from ML&P; however, the way staff proposes moving forward is to use those ML&P monies for the general services in the general fund.

Councilmember Jurca stated that he likes the language.

Councilmember Penick questioned if the City Attorney has approved the language.

City Attorney David Smith stated he submitted the language.

Mr. Clifton stated that staff did work with the City Attorney quite a bit on the language. He also stated that one of the difficult things with the TABOR language is to preserve what is trying to be accomplished here, which is unrestricting a few select revenue sources. If the language is written to narrowly and one is left out then we do a TABOR calculation for minimal amounts.

There was a consensus amongst Council to go with the proposed language.

Mr. Clifton reminded Council of the next public information meeting on August 26, 2014.

