

**SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

August 13, 2019

Mayor Mahler called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Sweet Home City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Staff Present: City Manager Ray Towry, City Attorney Robert Snyder, Public Works Director Greg Springman, Finance Director Brandon Neish, Police Chief Jeff Lynn, and Community and Economic Development Director Blair Larsen.

Visitors Registered to Speak: Lana Holden

Media: Sean Morgan, The New Era

Roll Call:	Councilor Coleman	AB	Mayor Mahler	P
	Councilor Gerson	P	Councilor Nash	P
	Councilor Goble	P	Councilor Trask	P
	Councilor Gourley	P		

Motion to excuse Councilor Coleman (Gerson/Goble) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman).

Consent Agenda: Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted (Gerson/Goble). Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed, 1 Absent (Coleman).

Items on the consent agenda are as follows:
Approval of Minutes: July 27, 2019 City Council Meeting

Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of Petition: Lana Holder addressed the Council on the South Hills Trail tree removal.

Old Business:

Request for Council Action – Chamber of Commerce Contract
City Manager Towry presented the Chamber of Commerce Operating Contract to the Council for Approval. There were questions from the Council regarding reporting.

Motion to approve the Chamber of Commerce Contract for the Operation of a Visitors Center (Gerson/Goble)

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Gourley	Aye
Mayor Mahler	Aye
Councilor Nash	Aye
Councilor Trask	Aye
Councilor Coleman	Absent
Councilor Gerson	Aye
Councilor Goble	Aye

Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman)

Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Update

Public Works Director Springman gave the Council an update on progress after Council rejected the Jacobs contract and directed staff to report back within 30 days on other options for treatment of water or wastewater. His presentation included background information, and options to include renegotiate or terminate the contract with Jacobs. A Work session will be scheduled for further discussion.

New Business:

Request for Council Action – Out of State Travel Request

Public Works Director Greg Springman requested permission from the Council to send Utility Manager Steven Haney and Engineer Tech Trish Rice to Chicago to look at components for the upgrade of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion to approve Out of State Travel for Utility Manager Steven Haney and Engineer Tech Trish Rice (Gourley/Gerson) Motion passed with 6 Ayes, 0 Opposed and 1 Absent (Coleman).

Request for Council Action and First Reading of Ordinance Bills:

None

Second Reading:

None

Third and Final Reading of Ordinance Bills:

None

Reports of Committees:

Administration & Finance/
Property Committee

Councilor Goble reported the committee met to interview for vacant positions on several boards.

Park & Tree Commission

No Report

Youth Advisory Council

Councilor Gourley reported the YAC's Leadership Summit event went well.

Chamber of Commerce

No Report

Council of Governments (COG)

No Report

Area Commission on Transportation

No Report

Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC)

No Report

Ad Hoc Committee on Health

Councilor Gourley reported the Health Fair is this weekend.

Legislative Committee

No Report

Reports of City officials

Mayor's Report

Mayor Mahler thanked the Chamber for an excellent Sportsman Holiday event and the Public Works crew for their support.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Towry gave an update on moving to the new City Hall. Public Works crews were recognized for their efforts and Finance Director Brandon Neish was noted for saving the City significant funds by acting as IT subcontractor. City Manager Towry reported he will be out of the office August 15th thru August 16th.

Department Directors Reports

Written reports were submitted by the following Departments: Library, Community and Economic Development and Public Works. There was a question from the Council regarding Code Enforcement and complaint of people living in RVs.

City Attorney

No Report.

Council Business for Good of the Order:

There was a brief discussion on the art hangers in City Hall.

Adjournment:

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

The foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the City Council at the August 13, 2019 regular City Council Meeting.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Manager - Ex Officio City Recorder