

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP: JUNE 6, 2017

Mayor Muska called the workshop to order at 5:34 pm. Present council members: Brian Muska, David Pratka, and Steve Vanek. Cheryl Marak and Karla Dulock were both absent.

Officer Keathley went over agenda item #11; no longer using non-conforming permits for the fence ordinance. He said that starting July 31st he recommends that we enforce the fencing ordinance that was put in place in April of 2016. Several residents have used t-posts or cattle panels as fencing materials and our ordinance does not allow for those types of materials to be used.

Officer Keathley also spoke in regards to agenda item #12; appoint members to the Board of Adjustments. He has been working on this for two months and basically this group would be the board to go to if someone requests a variance regarding their property/residence not being up-to-code.

Officer Keathley is also requesting that we put a panhandling ordinance in effect. He has had complaints from Czech Stop and Slovacek's regarding people loitering on their properties and asking customers for money. He said that this ordinance would put a stop to this.

Chief Barton said that the renewal of the curfew ordinance (agenda item #14) is just a formality that we do every single year. He said that curfew is currently 11:00 pm during the week, 12:00 am on the weekends, and 1:00 am during Westfest weekend. This ordinance is for those ages 16 or under.

Chief Barton also spoke in regards to agenda item #10. Mr. Joel Taylor is a film maker that is a teacher for Fort Worth ISD and he's making an independent film with a small town setting. He would like to shoot a few scenes around West and would like to request permission from the city to do so.

Mayor Muska said that our next council meeting would fall on July 4th and he is requesting that we change the date for this meeting.

Workshop adjourned at 5:53 pm.

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1. Call to order: Mayor Tommy Muska called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. Mayor Muska gave the pledge and David Pratka gave the invocation.
3. Roll Call: present council members –Brian Muska, David Pratka, Steve Vanek, and Mayor Tommy Muska. Karla Dulock and Cheryl Marak were both absent.
4. On a motion by David Pratka, seconded by Steve Vanek to approve minutes from May 2, 2017 and May 10, 2017. All in favor, motion carried.
5. On a motion by David Pratka, seconded by Steve Vanek to Approve Bills: May 2017 - Excluding check #: 19083 and 293104. All in favor, motion carried.
6. On a motion by David Pratka, seconded by Steve Vanek to Approve Bills: True Value Hardware - check #'s: 19083 and 293104. Brian Muska abstained, all others in favor, motion carried.
7. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Monthly Departmental Reports. On a motion by Steve Vanek, seconded by David Pratka, approve monthly departmental reports. All in favor, motion carried.
8. There were no citizen comments.
9. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Steve Vanek – presentation of donations to the Fallen Hero Memorial Fund. Steve Vanek thanked all of the city workers for a successful event and presented a \$10,000 check to the Fallen Hero Memorial Fund. This money will go towards the memorial for those lives that were lost during the 4/17/13 explosion.
10. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Film Maker Joel Taylor – discuss using city owned locations and using the Police Department for security. Joel Taylor was present at the meeting and said that he is working on a comedy feature film with a small town setting and he would like to film in West. He would like to shoot scenes around the town and use the depot, a court room, convenience store, and a bank. He is looking to shoot during July and he would get approval through the city and the police department regarding safety issues and any other concerns. He said he would not need to block streets; he would be able to work around this. On a motion by Steve Vanek, seconded by David Pratka approve Film Maker Joel Taylor to use city owned locations as well as work with West Police Department to film his independent movie. All in favor, motion carried.
11. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Officer Keathley – no longer using non-conforming permits for the fence ordinance. Officer Keathley said that he is seeing a lot of make shift fences being used such as barbed wire, cattle panels, etc. He would like to put a deadline for compliance of July 31. He suggests that we put notices in the paper for two weeks as well as posting this information on our website and Facebook page. On a motion by Steve Vanek, seconded by Brian Muska approve the deadline of July 31, 2017 to no longer use the non-conforming permits for the fence ordinance. All in favor, motion carried.

12. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Officer Keathley – appoint members for Board of Adjustments. Mayor Muska asked the council to each select one person to this board. This item was tabled, we will vote on this at our next meeting.


13. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Officer Keathley – panhandling ordinance. On a motion by Steve Vanek, seconded by Brian Muska, table this ordinance pending research and city attorney approval. All in favor, motion carried.

14. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Chief Barton – renewal of the curfew ordinance #100601, section 1(B). On a motion by Brian Muska, seconded by David Pratka, renew the curfew ordinance #100601, section 1(B) for another year. All in favor, motion carried.

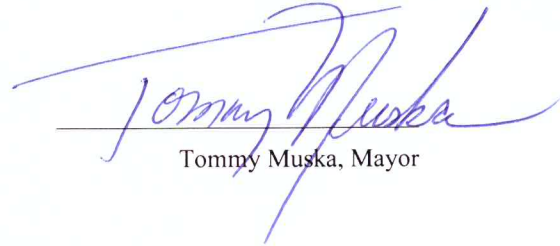
15. Discussion, consideration, action, if any, re: Reschedule the July 4, 2017 council meeting to a date yet to be determined. On a motion by David Pratka, seconded by Steve Vanek, move the July 4th council meeting to June 27, 2017. All in favor, motion carried.

16. There were no council member comments or requests for future agendas.

17. Council adjourned at 6:23 pm.



Shelly Nors, City Secretary



Tommy Muska, Mayor