City of Stanton Regular Meeting 2/13/18

The regular meeting of the City Commission was called to order @ 7:00p.m.

Commissioners present: Mayor Ken Burris, Jane Basom, Mike Mazzola, Chuck Miel, John Seaman, Mayor Pro-Tem Lori Williams, and Karl Yoder

Absent: None

The City Manager resignation letter from Elizabeth Pynaert was read by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams.

A motion was made by Miel and seconded by Seaman to accept the letter of resignation. 5 Yes, 1 No (Yoder). Motion carried.

Agenda additions:

Commissioner Seaman added to New Business letter f. City lot has a dumpster on city property Commissioner Miel added two items under Prioritizing Infrastructure in New Business, letter a. Press Release and Mayor Pro-Tem Resolution.

A motion was made by Basom and seconded by Miel to approve the agenda with additions. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Standing Items

A motion was made by Miel and seconded by Basom to approve the public hearing minutes of January 23rd, 2018. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Miel and seconded by Basom to delay action on the minutes for January 23rd 2018. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Williams supported by Miel to pay the bills for the first half of February and to get the description changed to list what department is used for bills being paid. 5 Yes, 1 No (Yoder). Motion Carried.

Reports

DPW Report

City Manager Report

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams told about interviews being conducted, that self-evaluations were handed out by the city manager and they would like them to still be completed and turned in. The park committee

scheduled a meeting at City Hall in the community room for February 22nd at 5:30. She also wanted to thank Tiffany Kohn for helping out so the city clerk/treasurer could use the bereavement time that was scheduled.

Existing Business

1. Downtown Development Improvement Opportunity

Mayor Pro-Tem stated that Wednesday February 28th will be the date for Downtown Development Improvement Opportunity meeting at City Hall in the Community Room with Franz Mogdis and Sue Devries. They will be finalizing the rest of the details this week with more information to come.

New Business

A. Prioritizing Infrastructure, Press Release, Mayor Pro-Tem Resolution

A motion was made by Miel and seconded by Yoder to offer Mr. Cousins a contract for the interim city manager and that the mayor would appoint a committee of three to negotiate with him, if he accepts our offer. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Miel and seconded by Seaman to authorize the issuance of the press release for the city manager. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Seaman and seconded by Basom to accept the Resolution Regarding Stanton Mayor with correction made to change the word team to tem in the first paragraph. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

B. Bucket Filler Poster

A motion was made by Basom and seconded by Mazzola to endorse the Bucket Filler Poster and to post and display it in City Hall. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

C. MDOT Resolution

A motion was made by Miel and seconded by Seaman to adopt the MDOT resolution as presented. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

D. MDOT Contract

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Seaman to adopt the MDOT contract as presented and Mayor Pro-Tem will make contact tomorrow with MDOT to confirm that they know about Stanton Old Fashion Days Festival during construction. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

E. The Brook Retirement Communities Study

A motion to accept to proposal from Prein & Newhof to perform the study of the Brook Retirement Communities. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

F. Concern about the dumpster on City Lot of Camburn and Walnut

A motion was made by Williams to send certified letter to owners of the dumpsters. Williams rescinded her motion.

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Seaman to table the dumpster talk until next meeting. 6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

Ray Holloway, have stricter enforcement for blight ordinance.

Ray Holloway, have the trash added to the taxes so availability will be taken care and there will be less trash.

Commission Comment:

Commissioner Miel thanked Mayor Pro-Tem Lori Williams for stepping up to the plate and helping out.

A motion was made by Seaman and seconded by Mazzola to adjourn the meeting at 8:25p.m.

Respectfully, Ken Burris, Mayor Lori Braman, Clerk/Treasurer