

**COUNCIL  
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE  
May 15, 2000  
-Minutes-**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, May 15, 2000, at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Ron Shaffer called the meeting to order with the following Council members responding to roll call: Al Herrera, Bill Griffith, Ruth Hopkins, Steve Noll, Terry Frederick, Roy True, Laura Wassmer, Jerry Kelso, Nancy Vennard and Kay Wolf.

Also present were: Barbara Vernon, City Administrator; Charles Wetzler, City Attorney; Charles Grover, Chief of Police; Bob Pryzby, Director of Public Works; Doug Luther, Assistant City Administrator and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No one was present to address the Council.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Laura Wassmer requested that Item #14 be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion. Nancy Vennard moved the approval of the Consent Agenda for Monday, May 15, 2000 as amended:

1. Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes – May 1, 2000
2. Approve Claims Ordinances #2164, #2165 and #2166
3. Approve an amendment to the attachment of Personnel Policy #110 updating the 2000 pay range from concession stand workers.
4. Approve a production contract with Total Entertainment for live band performance on October 7, 2000 with funds from the Prairie Village Arts Council's operating budget
5. Approve a short-term special use permit to the Prairie Baptist Church for a community carnival on Sunday, July 16, 2000 from noon to 7 p.m. to be held at Porter Park with permission to bring on site a moonwalk and water slide provided a certificate of insurance is provided to the City.
6. Approve the rental of the Prairie Village Pool Complex on Saturday, July 22 for the official pool opening celebration of the pool and facility improvements with authorization to waive the rental fee.
7. Approve a short term special use permit to the Prairie Village Merchants Association for their annual Prairie Village Art Show to be held June 3<sup>rd</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2000 with authorization for the placement of three banners advertising the event
8. Approve a short term special use permit to Mission Valley Middle School for their annual 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration at Franklin Park on Thursday, May 25, 2000 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with permission to bring portable toilets on site for the event and authorization to waive the \$25 permit fee
9. Approve a short-term special use permit for the reservation of the soccer fields at Franklin Park on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from noon to 7 p.m. and Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. for a fund-raising Frisbee Tournament with Council Policy #620 and the application fee being waived.
10. Approve agreement with the City of Mission for the rental of their swimming pool on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 at a cost of \$110 with funding from the Swimming Pool Operating Budget pending approval of the agreement by the City Attorney
11. Approve an endorsement of the Regional Coalition for the purpose of expending Federal Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Funds and authorize the expenditure of \$1,544 in matching funds from the 2000 General Fund Contingency

12. Ratify Council’s previous action authorizing the construction of the two sections of sidewalk between Dearborn Drive and Nall Avenue along 79<sup>th</sup> Street with the condition that the impacted property owners have input into the placement of the sidewalk and landscaping working through Kevin Bruemmer of the Public Works Department
13. Approve the agreement with The Larkin Group, Inc. to design the modifications to Prairie Park for \$15,000 with funding from the 2000 Park Improvement Program
14. (Removed for discussion)
15. Approve the 2000 Pool Concession stand prices as follows:
 

Bottled water	\$1.00
Cheese	\$ .50
Cheese Pizza	\$2.00
Chips	\$ .75
Chocolate Ice Cream	\$1.00
Gatorade (6 flavors)	\$1.50
Hershey’s	\$1.50
Ice Cream Sandwich	\$ .75
Ice Water	\$ .10
Jalapenos	\$ .25
Italian Ice (3 flavors)	\$ .75
Nachos	\$1.75
Peanut M&M’s	\$ .75
Pepperoni Pizza	\$2.00
Pretzel	\$ .75
Reese’s Peanut Butter Cup	\$ .75
Regular M&M’s	\$ .75
Snickers	\$ .75
Vanilla Ice Cream	\$1.00
Small Soda – 12 oz.	\$ .50
Large Soda – 22 oz.	\$ .75

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting “aye”: Herrera, Griffith, Noll, Hopkins, Frederick, True, Wassmer, Kelso, Vennard and Wolf.

Laura Wassmer requested additional information on the recommendation by the Park & Recreation Committee to name the pocket park between 69<sup>th</sup> Terrace and Prairie Lane “Ralph Brenizer Park”.

Nancy Vennard reported the committee had received a request from a city resident, Kavor Bole, that the pocket park be named after the first Mayor of the City. There is no written policy regarding the naming of City parks. Since Mr. Brenizer is in poor health, the committee would like immediate action with any formal ceremonies or dedication to take place in conjunction with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations.

Charles Wetzler, City Attorney, reported that Mr. Brenizer has lived in the community throughout his lifetime. He is very well respected and accomplished much for the City during his term of office. He feels that naming the park after him would be very appropriate.

Laura Wassmer moved the Council approve the naming of the pocket park between 69<sup>th</sup> Terrace and Prairie Lane, “Ralph Brenizer Park” in honor of the City’s first mayor. The motion was seconded by Al Herrera and passed unanimously.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Legislative/Finance Committee**

Ruth Hopkins reported the service station at 6901 Mission Road has requested permission to construct a canopy over the pump islands. John Roney, owner of the station, initially requested permission to construct canopies and was issued a special use permit in 1995. However, that canopy was never constructed.

Mr. Roney has submitted a new design for the canopies and the Planning Commission has reviewed the design, conducted a public hearing and recommends the City Council amend the Special Use Permit issued in 1995 to reflect the new design subject to several conditions.

Ruth Hopkins moved the City Council approve by ordinance an amended Special Use Permit to John Roney for the construction of canopies at the service station at 6901 Mission Road subject to the following conditions: 1) The canopy lighting be directed as closely as possible toward the work surface and that no glare be visible from adjacent street and properties; 2) The applicant designate the curb cut on the north end of the property, adjacent to Mission Road for exiting traffic as “Right Turn Only” and work with Public Works Department to move it as far south of the intersection as possible; 3) The applicant coordinate with the Public Works Department relative to storm water runoff requirements that may be needed as a part of this approval; 4) The applicant totally remove the non-conforming pole sign along Tomahawk as part of the installation of the canopies; 5) If the applicant desires to install a monument sign, it must be submitted for approval to the Planning Commission and include a landscape plan; 6) The color and elevation and signage of the canopies be as presented with approval for three logos to be located on the north, west and east exposures of the canopy and 7) future changes and improvements to this site be handled as a site plan amendment rather than an amendment to the Special Use Permit. Bill Griffith seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting “aye”: Herrera, Griffith, Noll, Hopkins, Frederick, True, Wassmer, Kelso, Vennard and Wolf.

### **Council Committee of the Whole**

#### **COU2000-18 Consider Web Site**

Nancy Vennard reported that during the Council Committee of the Whole, the Council discussed the proposed City’s Web Site and reviewed an agreement with Why

Struggle? for the design, hosting and maintenance of an Internet web site for the City. Mrs. Vennard noted that much planning and preparation has gone into the development of a City Web Site.

Nancy Vennard moved the Council approve an agreement with WhyStruggle? for web site design, hosting and maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$6,000 from the 2000 Communications budget. The motion was seconded by Bill Griffith and passed unanimously.

### **Communications Committee**

Laura Wassmer reported the Communications Committee has budgeted funds for the creation of promotional items to increase identity with the City of Prairie Village. The Council recently received a key chain that was created. A magnet is being created and will be distributed at the Villagefest Celebration. Over the past years, there have been many requests for Prairie Village License Plates. Mrs. Wassmer presented the Communications Committee proposed design for Prairie Village license plates to be sold at cost. The plates have a white background with blue lettering and a stylized Prairie Village Star.

The Council informally approved the proposed design and purchase of Prairie Village license plates by the Communications Committee. Nancy Vennard recommended the City consider having an entire graphics package developed for the City.

### **Sister City Committee**

Ruth Hopkins reported that at the last meeting the Council discussed entering into a Sister City relationship with the City of Bastogne, Belgium. The City had received an invitation to travel to Bastogne in conjunction with the People to People International gathering to be held in June. Since that time, the City of Schaerbeek, a suburb of Brussels has expressed interest in entering into a Sister City relationship. The City of Schaerbeek is more similar in size and makeup to Prairie Village than the rural community of Bastogne. The Sister City Committee is now recommending pursuing a Sister City relationship with the City of Schaerbeek. The committee will send an official letter from Mayor Shaffer to the City of Schaerbeek this evening.

The committee and Mayor Shaffer still plan to attend the People to People International gathering in June and then travel to the City of Schaerbeek. There has been an official signing ceremony scheduled for Monday, June 26, 2000.

### **Park & Recreation**

Nancy Vennard reported the official pool opening/ribbon cutting would be held on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> with the Mayor actively participating. The VIP party for the pool will be held on Saturday, July 22, 2000.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business to come before the Council.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business to come before the Council.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks include:**

Communications Committee	05/16/2000	5:30 p.m.
Public Information Meeting – Sidewalks for 2000 Street Program & CARS	05/16/2000	7:00 p.m.
Budget Worksession	05/22/2000	6:00 p.m.
Citizens Advisory Committee	05/23/2000	7:00 p.m.
Prairie Village Arts Council	05/24/2000	7:00 p.m.
Villagefest	05/25/2000	7:00 p.m.
Legislative/Finance Committee	06/05/2000	6:00 p.m.
Policy/Services Committee	06/05/2000	6:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	06/05/2000	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to present “Surrounded by Beauty” an exhibit of watercolor paintings by Jack O’Neal in the R.G. Endres Gallery during the month of May.

The Mid-America Regional Council and Northeast Johnson County Development Retention Center are sponsoring a program on Emerging Issues and Opportunities among First Ring Suburbs on Monday, May 22 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. If you would like to attend, notify the City Clerk.

The Prairie Village Art Show will be held June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> at the PV Shopping Center.

City offices will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. Deffenbaugh also observes this holiday; therefore, trash pickup within the City will be delayed one day all week.

Swimming Pool and other recreational program memberships are now on sale in the Municipal Building. Mail-in registrations will also be accepted; however, individuals will still have to come in to have their photos taken for their membership identification cards. The pool will open on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.

Summer recreational programs are gearing up – Swim Team “Meet the Coaches” night will be May 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 in the Community Center. The JTL will have their kick-off event on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Swim Team tryouts will be

held on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for residents and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for non-residents.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy  
City Clerk