

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF DALTON GARDENS JUNE 30, 2020
VIA TELECONFERENCE @ 5:00 PM**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Edwards at 5:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present were: Councilmembers Chase, O'Brien, Wuest and Craft. Also present were Attorneys Caitlin Kling and Rand Wichman – City Planner (via zoom) Valerie Anderson, City Clerk and Teresa Janzen, Deputy Clerk.

APPROVAL OF THE 2020 ASPHALT REPAIR AGREEMENT WITH ROCK PRODUCTS INC.

Councilmember Craft reported that the agreement in front of the council tonight is for the asphalt repair on Prairie Ave, Deer Haven and 4th Street which will begin on July 6, 2020 at 8:00 AM.

Councilmember Wuest made a motion to approve the asphalt repair agreement with Rock Products Inc. Councilmember Chase seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Chase – yes, Councilmember O'Brien – yes, Councilmember Wuest – yes, Councilmember Craft – yes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF LAKE CITY LAW AS CITY ATTORNEY FIRM EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST, 2020

The council discussed the City Attorney issue and Councilmember Craft, Wuest and O'Brien all agreed to stay with Caitlin Kling and Lake City Law as the Attorney for the City of Dalton Gardens. Councilmember Chase stated that we do not have a contract and we have some unanswered questions and that council should not be rushed into making a decision with no contract. She requested that this item be tabled for another month and we get a formal contract.

Councilmember Wuest made a motion to accept Caitlin Kling with Lake City Law and pay the same contract fee for 6 months and negotiate the rate at the start of 2021. Councilmember Craft seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Chase – no, Councilmember O'Brien – yes, Councilmember Wuest – yes, Councilmember Craft – yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AMENDING TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 1 OF DALTON GARDENS MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROACHES TO PRIVATE PROPERTY

The council discussed the amendments to the code on requirements for approaches to private property and had several questions for the City Planner.

Councilmember O'Brien made a motion table the amendment until the July 8th meeting.

Councilmember Wuest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION REGARDING REQUEST FROM ISAAC REINHERT FOR AN ALTERED TURNAROUND ON 18TH STREET

The council discussed the 18th Street turnaround and decided that there is no need for any changes to the turnaround at this time.

Councilmember Chase made a motion to deny the 18th Street turnaround request. Councilmember Craft seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Chase – yes,

Councilmember O'Brien – yes, Councilmember Wuest – yes, Councilmember Craft – yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO AMEND TITLE 2 – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 3 – FINANCE COMMISSION, TO DALTON GARDENS CITY CODE

The council discussed the new ordinance for a finance commission and was not in support of creating an ordinance and that no formal commission should be formed.

Councilmember O'Brien made a motion to place the proposed ordinance on its first and only reading by title only while under suspension of the rules. The motion denied due to no second.

APPROVAL TO AMEND TITLE 2 – BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 4 – TRAFFIC COMMISSION, TO DALTON GARDENS CITY CODE

The council discussed the new ordinance for a transportation commission and was not in support of creating an ordinance and that no formal commission should be formed.

Councilmember O'Brien made a motion to place the proposed ordinance on its first and only reading by title only while under suspension of the rules. The motion denied due to no second.

APPOINTMENT OF DREW DITTMAN TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Tabled until the July 8th meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Sonnen – 7447 Valley Street – He stated that he could not hear the discussions by the council over zoom. He suggested that traffic counts not be done at this time as the traffic is going in all directions with all of the road construction going on in the city. He advised the council to do more research on the crosswalks and turnaround on 18th Street.

Lila Tatum – 7080 Valley Street – She stated that Planning & Zoning Commission should be looked at closely as not to stack the deck. She also asked about the recent survey which was sent out as if it was sent to rental properties. The answer to the question was it was sent to property owners.

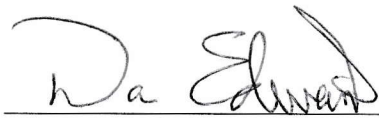
Joe Myers – 7424 Mt. Carrol – He advised the council to do some research in the 18th Street turnaround as it was created in conjunction with the Jordan Subdivision. He also stated that there is illegal signage down there which should be addressed.

Mike Chase – 7512 4th Street – He addressed the survey which was just mailed out and asked where the list came from for mailing. It was stated that the list was off of the septic tank pumping list which the city uses. He stated that a County AIN list should be used to limit mailings to property owners only.

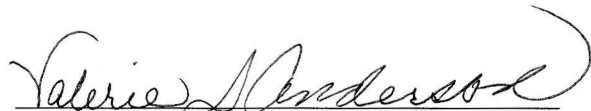
Sue Supp - 7024 16th Street – She cautioned the council in the Attorney termination with Hawley Troxell and the new contract with Lake City Law. She stated that the attorney contract is about 8% of the city budget and that they need to aware of the bills and get the best value for their money.

Public comment period was closed.

Councilmember Chase made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 pm. Councilmember Craft seconded the motion. Motion carried



Dan Edwards, Mayor



Valerie S. Anderson, Clerk