

CITY OF ROELAND PARK, KANSAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Roeland Park City Hall
4600 W 51st Street, Roeland Park, KS 66205
Monday, October 17, 2022, 6:00 P.M.

- Mike Kelly, Mayor
- Trisha Brauer, Council Member
- Benjamin Dickens, Council Member
- Jan Faidley, Council Member
- Jennifer Hill, Council Member

- Tom Madigan, Council Member
- Michael Poppa, Council Member
- Kate Raglow, Council Member
- Michael Rebne, Council Member

- Keith Moody, City Administrator
- Erin Winn, Asst. City Administrator
- Kelley Nielsen, City Clerk
- John Morris, Police Chief
- Donnie Scharff, Public Works Director

Admin
Raglow
Dickens

Finance
Rebne
Hill

Safety
Poppa
Madigan

Public Works
Brauer
Faidley

(Roeland Park Council Meeting Called to Order at 6:00 p.m.)

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kelly called the City Council meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

City Clerk Nielsen called the roll. CMBR Poppa was absent; all other Governing Body members were present. Staff members present were City Administrator Moody, City Attorney Mauer, Public Works Director Scharff, Police Chief Morris, and City Clerk Nielsen.

Modification of Agenda

CMBR Faidley noted changes to be made to the Council minutes for October 3, 2022. Under the comments for Gretchen and Ardie Davis the word “under” should be changed to “until.” Also, CMBR Faidley’s comments under VIII. A. Charter Ordinance 38 should reflect a change from “of” to “about the Johnson County election process.”

The changes will be made to the minutes and included in the Consent Agenda.

I. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

II. Consent Agenda

- A. Appropriations Ordinance #1007**
- B. Council Minutes October 3, 2022 (as amended)**

MOTION: CMBR MADIGAN MOVED AND CMBR RAGLOW SECONDED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 3, 2022. (MOTION CARRIED 7-0.)

III. Business from the Floor - Proclamations/Applications/Presentation

A. 3rd Quarter Social Media Report - Katie Garcia

Katie Garcia, the City's Public Information Officer, provided social media highlights for the third quarter of 2022. She said there was a lot of community news and fun events over the summer that made for a great quarter. Specifically, she noted that Constant Contact had an open rate of 48 percent which is well over the industry average. Ms. Garcia showed the top posts that were measured by engagement. The biggest of which was the City's glass recycling announcement as well of the staff tour of the recycling facility, and the City's new environmentally friendly vehicles.

Ms. Garcia reviewed the social highlights, noting that their audience, number of impressions, and engagements grew in the third quarter. She said that the videos they shared on Instagram grew their audience as it is a great platform. She also provided information on competitor cities noting that while Roeland Park may not have as many followers, their public engagement is in some places double their sister cities.

Mayor Kelly thanked Ms. Garcia for taking their feedback and putting it into action especially with their request of more videos of which they've seen a 900 percent increase.

CMBR Faidley noticed that fan growth had not increased much and asked if that was due to being maxed out or whether they were not reaching new residents. Ms. Garcia said when she looks at the results for her engagement with the post is more of a marker, she said it signals to her that they are reaching their target audience and people are engaging with their information. She would be concerned if there were a lot of fans and no engagement. Ms. Garcia asked the Governing Body to encourage people to follow and "like" them and to check them out on the different platforms.

City Administrator Moody asked about the percent change in Twitter growth. Ms. Garcia said that is in comparison to their second quarter. She noted that a lot of staff and Governing Body use Twitter and they are also seeing a lot of people tagging the City.

IV. Mayor's Report

A. Fire Safety Month Recognition

Mayor Kelly said that October is Fire Safety Month, and to be cognizant of the dry conditions we have been experiencing. He also noted that three of five home fire deaths are in homes with no working smoke alarms. Also, less than 50 percent of homeowners have an escape plan in the event of a fire. Carbon monoxide is the number one cause of accidental poisoning in the home and only 47 percent of homes have carbon monoxide detectors. Mayor Kelly recommended that everyone check the batteries in their alarms and monitors and to install or repurchase smoke detectors and/or carbon monoxide detectors if they do not have ones that are working.

V. Reports of City Liaisons and Committees

There were no reports given.

VI. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business discussed.

VII. New Business

A. Approve Phase 1 Community Center Renovation Contract

Mayor Kelly said that staff has recommended awarding the contract to Aquila Industries and to include the add-alternative items for the Community Center renovations. The project has come in under budget even with the add-alternates. The project will be paid for through the Special Infrastructure Fund and ARPA funds.

City Administrator Moody said he feels the bidders looked at the proposed project accurately. There are sufficient budgeted funds for the project, the bulk of which will be from the Special Infrastructure Fund with a supplement from ARPA. Mr. Moody said there are some leftover resources from the TIF 2 fund for the \$1.5 million Community Center project.

CMBR Rebne asked when the work is scheduled to begin. City Administrator Moody said they are planning for November in hopes that it will be finished by May before the next summer schedule begins.

CMBR Madigan said he appreciated the vetting document used, and would like to see more of that in the future.

CMBR Faidley asked about the cleaning process before the staining of brick and stone. City Administrator Moody said it is a detergent used in the power washing but did not know if it would be more than soap. CMBR Faidley also asked about the painting of the building and activities going on inside. City Administrator Moody said the work on Room 6 will affect the exterior of the building and the Community Center will not be painted until that construction work is complete.

Mayor Kelly said he appreciates the City's partnership with JCPRD and is grateful for the programs they bring to the center. Because the building is well used, it has given them an opportunity to modernize the facility.

MOTION: CMBR MADIGAN MOVED AND CMBR FAIDLEY SECONDED TO APPROVE AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO AQUILA INDUSTRIES FOR PHASE 1 OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER RENOVATIONS INCLUDING ADD-ALTERNATE ITEMS 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, AND 7. (THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.)

B. Approve Leaf Collection Agreement with Westwood Hills

Mayor Kelly said the agreement with Westwood Hills is what the City has done previously. The agreement allows Roeland Park to pick up Westwood Hills' leaves on December 4th, which is not a scheduled leaf pickup day in the City. The rates for the contract are included in the agenda packet.

Public Works Director Scharff added this will be a Sunday pick-up, the same as last year. He also noted there is a slight increase in the fee.

CMBR Faidley asked if the fuel cost listed is per gallon and whether the leaf pickup truck used diesel. Public Works Director Scharff said the figure does reflect a per gallon cost of diesel.

MOTION: CMBR HILL MOVED AND CMBR RAGLOW SECONDED TO APPROVE THE LEAF CONTRACT WITH WESTWOOD HILLS. (THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.)

VIII. Ordinances and Resolutions

There were no ordinances or resolutions presented.

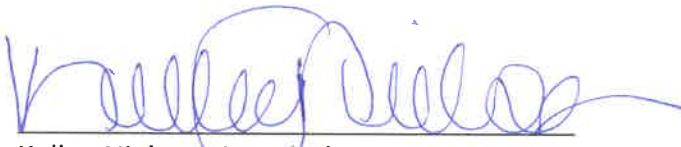
IX. Reports of City Officials

There were no reports given.

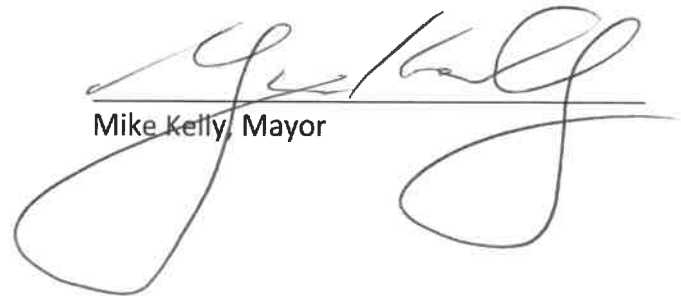
Adjourn:

MOTION: CMBR DICKENS MOVED AND CMBR MADIGAN SECONDED TO ADJOURN. (THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.)

(Roeland Park City Council Meeting Adjourned at 6:22 p.m.)



Kelley Nielsen, City Clerk



Mike Kelly, Mayor