

**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
JULY 14, 2014
BILL LUXFORD STUDIO, 555 S. 10TH STREET
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIRECTORS' MEETING**

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Present: Doug Emery, Chair; Trent Fellers, Vice Chair; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Carl Eskridge; Jonathan Cook; Jon Camp; and Roy Christensen

Others: Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff

Chair Emery opened the meeting at 2:33 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

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With no corrections the above minutes placed on file in the City Council office.

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Emery stated the meeting was short. The JPA paid bills, and elected officers. Councilman Emery was elected Vice-Chair.

2. Problem Resolution Team (PRT) - Emery

Emery stated the PRT discussed pending legislation dealing with neglected houses. The PRT has 17 properties which are actively being worked on. Approximately 12 properties are being watched. Especially during the summer the Problem Resolution Team tends to be very busy.

Gaylor Baird asked for the PRT's thoughts on the property we've received correspondence on? Emery replied the property has not reached the PRT as it has not been looked at by two different agencies. The house is abandoned but apparently it is within guidelines, except for mowing. Asked for the property to be looked at again, but the PRT only deals with properties having standing problems with at least two organizations. The last time Building and Safety looked at this property they did not have a problem as it's shuttered. Would you like to have in your neighborhood? No. Does it meet the terms of the PRT? One reason we're trying for the neglected building ordinance is because of situations like this where people do just enough to make sure they're inside the parameters. Unfortunately beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

3. Downtown Lincoln Association (DLA) - Eskridge, Baird

Eskridge stated a Captain of the Police Central Team attended and presented information on activities downtown in terms of law enforcement. Also, had early discussion about the possibility of a TIF District for "O" Street, to make improvements. A very broad conversation.

Eskridge commented the DLA raised concerns about an item the Mayor proposed in his budget, using parking fund monies in the budget rather than having the enterprise funds set aside.

4. Public Building Commission (PBC) - Camp, Cook

Camp stated the PBC is working on the 605 Building, the old jail complex. They have the courtway on the first level for when prisoners, and supplies, are delivered. Will have a one month delay while deciding how to proceed with the location. As the construction on the 2nd floor is done they need to maintain the fire system, going two ways. Challenging because later they'll have phase 2 which gets into the Courts and other locations. There's a change order for

approximately \$350,000.

The new H & H parking lot is being started this month.

Another item discussed was the dress code for the Hall of Justice. At first presented because of a gentleman who came without shoes. The Sheriff and staff were uncertain about letting someone enter without shoes. But the real concern was the woman who came barely clothed who wanted to go to Court. Don't know if she ever entered. The City Attorney will investigate what's legal. It was discussed that each Judge can have their own separate decorum rules, which they often do.

Camp added they discussed window cleaning, and handed out the budget.

5. Internal Liquor Committee (ILC) - Christensen, Eskridge, Fellers

Eskridge said the committee received additional data on 2:00 a.m. closings. Also, heard the numbers regarding the training program. The ILC is now making plans for the football tailgate walk, and if members of Council, and others, are interested in joining we're waiting for the game times to be announced before setting a date.

Eskridge commented the ILC is also working with Meier on possibly some changes for the SDL's. We receive numerous requests, repetitious ones where particular venues want to have on different football weekends, and they keep coming for every special event. Now looking at streamlining the process for the ones which are repeat requests versus others.

6. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board - Cook

Councilman Cook could not attend.

7. Board of Health - Emery

Emery stated they discussed the budget, which Council saw somewhat today in the Mayor's budget. They reviewed what's happened in their area for the last 5 years, and discussed B structures.

It was very interesting when one of their members explained how to drill into their website to be able to review statistics. People would be surprised with the amount of statistics contained on their site.

8. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Emery

The last West Haymarket Joint Public Agency meeting was a month ago, and there will no meeting this month.

9. Multicultural Advisory Committee (MAC) - Eskridge

Eskridge stated the committee does not meet in July.

10. Information Services Policy Committee (ISPC) - Fellers

Fellers commented the meeting was moved to this Thursday.

III. REQUESTS FROM MAYOR

None.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Emery stated everyone should have their budget information. Meetings start tomorrow afternoon. Understand numerous people have jobs and it may be impossible to make every session but appreciate attendance when you can. We will do our best when it says you will be out at a certain time that we will, and keep people on schedule. If you have questions which have not been

answered by departments, and you run out of time, do ask that you call the Directors to answer.

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Chair Emery adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.