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

Others Attending: Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff; Jeff Kirkpatrick, City Attorney

Chair Emery opened the meeting at 2:15 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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1. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Emery
   Emery stated the West Haymarket Joint Public Agency meeting was short. The Mayor did not attend as he was dealing with flood issues. There was one item on the agenda, registers, and then also made payments to vendors. At this time everything looks good.

   Eskridge asked how close did the flooding come to the arena? Emery replied he didn’t have a concrete answer. Stated the arena is built one foot above flood plain. Camp asked if a 500 year flood plain? Emery added if we were within a half foot of the levy probably a foot and a half.

   Camp asked was it a 100 year flood? Hoppe replied, not determined yet. Did hear 100. Emery commented the paper reported it was the most water through Lincoln since 1909. Over a hundred. Feel it wasn’t just the rain here but all areas.

2. Visitors Promotion Committee (VPC) - Fellers
   Fellers stated the VPC heard grant requests. First from the Abbott Motorcross Park, a dirt bike park located by the Interstate. They requested money for a current office building, some fencing, park shelter, and widening the facility entry. They showed their event capacity could increase from possibly one a year to three or four. Pointed out the benefits of the bike riders coming to events is fairly significant. When compared to other events felt it was close to having a soccer tournament come to Lincoln. The Committee awarded them $150,000 to use on the current building, fencing, and widening the facility entryway. The VPC felt Abbott should also contribute. The request passed.

   The second two requests closely related. The Lancaster Ag Society and the Nebraska Sports Council each requested $10,000 grants. Trying to join the State Teams of America and the Super Fair to attract some of the same audience. The Super Fair basically starts the same night the State Games of America ends so they’re giving free passes to the Super Fair with the incentive of having families who are in town for the State Teams of America, and participating until late afternoon, spend another night in Lincoln.

   The Sports Council requested $10,000 in order to advertise within the State Games of America to attend the Super Fair.
The VPC agreed $20,000 worth of grants will go these organizations to get additional traffic into the Super Fair and have people stay longer in Lincoln, or Lancaster County.

A very creative idea for the Super Fair to come forward with connecting the two events. If we could do more of this type of joining it would be great.

All three of the grants passed. Will now go to the County Board.

III. REQUESTS FROM MAYOR
None

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Christensen stated this last week he went with Commission Schorr, City Engineer Roger Figard, some City staff and people from Schimmer Company to start the preliminary work on the RFP for engineering for the 33rd and Adams grade separation. Will be having a meeting once a week for the next month and then the RTSD will receive a report at the June meeting on where the committee is. Emery commented, long overdue.

V. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

DOUG EMERY asked if it was decided to have a pre-council next week? Executive session? Hoppe and Meyer replied no.

Hoppe stated remembering the discussion on the Fire Contract, we were very close to being concluded. Wanted an executive session briefing on the terms before it was introduced. Hoppe will speak with McDaniel, Human Resources, and will inform everyone either before or after today’s meeting.

Fellers added Council could do on the 1st if that works. Hoppe added if not the 18th, the 25th? Fellers replied the 25th is a holiday. Would it work to have in June? Hoppe said he would talk to McDaniel and see how anxious he to complete.

Meyer thought Council may meet next week for the Fire Contract, with the Fire Pension meeting on June 8th.

Fellers asked if we should have an executive session with Council before we swear Members into the new Council? Kirkpatrick rephrased the question asking, can you have the elected but not sworn in attend? You can go into an executive session with anyone you choose in the executive session, a lawyer, real estate agents, reporters. People who have been elected but not sworn in.

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VII. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Emery adjourned the meeting at 2:22 p.m.