

**COUNCIL MINUTES  
CITY OF PARKER REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, March 8, 2021 7:00 p.m.**

The Parker City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 8, 2021 in the council room of City Hall. Members present: Council members: Berens, Harms, Nogelmeier Herlyn, Erickson, and Mayor Nelson. Absent; Schulte. Other persons attending: Finance Officer Jans, Mike Jorgensen, Sarah Ebeling, Sheriff Luke, JT Silvernail, Perry Brown, Joe Volz, Brad Janzen, Mike Van Vliet, Ryan Wieman, Mark Kasten, Nash Eickholt, Robbi Buller, Chris Poncelet, Derek Nolan, Pete Jensen, Ed Fincher, and Sjyrlie Fisher. Mayor Nelson declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

All action in following minutes carried by unanimous vote unless otherwise stated.

21.21 Motion by Harms, seconded by Berens to approve the February 8, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

21.22 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Herlyn to approve the March claims as presented. List attached. Motion carried. February salaries: General Fund: \$26,615.53. Enterprise Funds: \$13,543.06. TOTAL: \$40,158.59.

Public Comments: Nash Eickholt was present to give an update regarding Hope Harbor. Eickholt also addressed concerns about S Elm Avenue and vehicle speed. Joe Volz discussed First Street in front of his house being turned into a one-way street, and also his concern of students using the alley as a short cut. Volz also asked the council to consider making First Street a one-way from Main Avenue to Spruce Avenue.

Pete Jensen, Senior Citizen Center member was present to discuss the possibility of the city turning the building over to the group. Jensen explained there are updates that need to be done and grants available, but because they do not own the building, they are not able to apply for those grants. Discussion had by Jensen and the council. Mayor Nelson asked for the group to put together a detailed list of items that need to be done and see if there is something the city can do before gifting the building.

21.23 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Berens to approve the Utility Improvement Facility Plan Amendment for Phase 6. Motion carried.

21.24 Motion by Harms, seconded by Herlyn to approve the transfer of Lot 11 of the Meadows to the PDC. Motion carried.

21.25 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Berens to approve the transfer of Lot 20 of the Meadows to the PDC. Motion carried.

Mark Kasten and Ryan Wieman were present to discuss with the council about the vision of and need for an auxiliary gym / community center in Parker. Kasten explained the main premise was to hit every age group to utilize the space and enjoy activities. Wieman followed by providing the council with assessed value growth for both the City and the Parker School District. Discussion between the council and public. Direction given was to work on getting a final plan and engineers estimate, and to revisit with true numbers to publish for bids.

Department Reports: Sheriff Luke was present to answer any questions. Nogelmeier addressed the number of speeding vehicles on S. Elm Avenue. Berens discussed plan of action for resident(s) lodging in their camper. Electric Superintendent Buller was present and discussed summer projects with the council. Street Superintendent Jorgensen questioned the council on a free dump day like last year and explained city wide cleanup would again be in the fall. Consensus was to have a free dump day once opened. Finance Officer Jans reminded the council of the upcoming equalization hearing. Jans also requested approval of summer employees.

21.26 Motion by Berens, seconded by Harms to approve the following summer employees and wages. JT Silvernail - \$13.50, Shane Merrill - \$13.25, Levi Berens - \$12.25, and Jodi Friman - \$13.75. Motion carried.

21.27 Motion by Nogelmeier, seconded by Herlyn to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Motion carried.

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Ron Nelson, Mayor

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Adam Jans, Finance Officer