

JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
INFORMAL MEETING NOTES
MAY 17, 2021

Mayor Stanley called the May 17, 2021 Joplin City Council informal meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

In attendance were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Christina Williams. Absent: Anthony Monteleone. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Sales Tax Update

Finance Director Leslie Haase presented the May sales tax report. Compared to May 2020, May 2021 showed an increase of 18.25%. Seven months into the fiscal year and we're up 7.61%. The increase likely reflects the stimulus dollars being infused into the economy.

Update on Online Building Permits/Business License Progress

Finance Director Leslie Haase presented the update. She introduced the assistant finance director A.J. Whistler and Chief Building Official Bryan Wicklund, who have been heading up this project. After an overview of the timeline and processes involved, Ms. Haase stated the "go-live" date for on-line building permits and inspections is January 1, 2022. The in-person option will still be available.

Appointments to City Boards & Commissions

Reappointments

Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Dr. Reid Adams to approve the list of reappointments as presented. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Monteleone, 1.

CVB: Crystal Albright

Joplin Sports Authority: Melissa Rodgers

CVB: Miranda Comer

Joplin Sports Authority: James Weber

CVB: Mike Greninger

Joplin Sports Authority: Forrest Reed

Joplin Industrial Development: Randy Evans

Joplin Industrial Development: Doug Doll

New appointments

Bd. of Health: Dr. Reid Adams nominated Janeice Hukill to replace Kathy Bridges (did not renew).
Approved 8-0-1.

Capital Improvements: Mr. Stinnett nominated Jamie Booker-Norman to replace Morris Glaze
Approved 8-0-1.

CVB: Mayor Stanley nominated Brad McIntyre and Mr. Stinnett nominated James Cullumber to replace Traci Palmer-Robertson (did not renew). The vote was 5-3-1 in favor of James Cullumber.

JIDA: Mr. Stinnett nominated David Glenn to replace Ron Gatz

Approved 8-0-1

Personnel Board: Keenan Cortez nominated Chuck Brown to replace Todd Hawkins

Approved 8-0-1

Traffic Commission: Ms. Williams nominated Shawn Hull to replace William Tylle (did not renew)

Approved 8-0-1.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.