

MINUTES OF THE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMISSION
Special Session, Tuesday, July 26, 2016 at 5:15 p.m.

Present: Ed Akins, Leo Lease, Teresa McCall and Chad Rose.

McCall called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Rose moved to approve the agenda as presented and Adkins seconded the motion. All ayes. Agenda approved.

McCall explained that the special session was called to discuss the drainage issue in Central Park and how the Veterans Memorial Building may be affected by the work in the park. It was discovered that the Central Park plans called for destruction of the patio behind the building (necessary to update the drainage so that it did not go into the sanitary sewer) and that the intake for the park drainage to be placed 2 feet above the finished floor of the veterans building. These items were not previously discussed with the Veterans Commission. Russ Behrens, City Manager, had met with commission members in separate sessions, individually, the previous week to discuss the plans and possible revisions. Behrens was on hand at this meeting to present possible solutions to the issue and to provide information to the public.

Behrens explained that an original 12" drainage line to Park St. would be increased to 18" and that an 18" line would also be put in to 4th Ave. Both of these lines would be carrying away water from the lowest point in the park, behind the veterans building. An underground storage vault was also proposed, with a possible pump. Since the patio area behind the building would have to be destroyed through the repair, replacement of the drainage system for the park, the City proposed a newly created, smaller patio, with a seating wall. Behrens also said downspouts from the south of the building would be directed underground. The flow ratio and elevation of the pipe flow from the new proposal was not known at this time.

It was agreed that the engineers would continue to work on the plans, and McCall asked that the plans be available for a separate engineer to review. It was agreed that the commission would meet again in a special session on Tuesday, Aug. 2 to review the results.

Adkins moved to adjourn. Lease seconded. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Teresa McCall, Chair