



Vehicle Parking District Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 20, 2019

The Vehicle Parking District committee met in the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce board room, 609 W. Norfolk Ave, Norfolk, NE on Friday, March 20, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: *Jessica Gordon, Steve McNally, Chad Barnhill, Brad Love, Lacey Porn, Pat Carney, Lisa Blackman, Connie Geary, John Stappert, Doug Stebbing*
Guests Present: *Stephanie Bates, Nick Cleveland*
Minutes recorded by: *Jarad Dahlkoetter*

Call to Order:

1. **Welcome** – Geary called the meeting to order, notice of the opens meeting act was posted.
2. **Attendance** – Dahlkoetter took roll call of attendees
3. **Approval of minutes** – McNally motioned, seconded by Love to approve the minutes from the 3.8.19 meeting. Roll call: Yays: Gordon, McNally, Barnhill, Love, Porn, Carney, Geary, & Stappert. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Regular Agenda

1. **Update on new signage options and parking enforcement** Geary said the group received pricing on doing the changes and Stappert was checking with the police. Stappert reported the police department said that enforcing the employee and restricted parking is easy if vehicles have a yellow tag. However, enforcing regular customer parking is harder because there isn't a sign that says "2-hour time limit" McNally asked if they could add vinyl stickers to the current signs with this information. Stappert volunteered to go around to all downtown lots and see how many of these decals would be needed. Pat said the city previously approved these signs and was in on the meetings from the beginning so the current signs should be okay. Stappert will report at the next meeting.
2. **Update on parking study information** Geary reminded the group that Jared Faltys requested the group to investigate adding parking on the side streets. She said Russ, Jared, herself, and mayor Moenning discussed this possibility with city officials. She said to her understanding, they wanted to complete a parking study downtown. The study would have been for the parking lots only, so it was canceled for the time being because the VPD board has enough data on the lots; they are hoping to get more data on the street parking instead. Geary said she would set up a meeting with Steve Rames, Lyle and any other VPD board members who would like to be present and continue this discussion. Geary said the information that would be useful is to know how many employees are purchasing tags on each block. The board split up the downtown and will go block by block and ask.
3. **Consideration of updating the River Point website PHP** Geary read a report from Power Computing to explain the PHP to the board. see invoice below.
4. **Update on procedure for allowing part time employees to use one parking tag** Geary explained how this concept would benefit her employees and other businesses on this block. Chad said this concept is a small-town mentality that allows us to help each other out. However, Norfolk needs to have a big city mentality and require

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The Vehicle Offstreet Parking District #1 is a special taxing district, encompassing the downtown Norfolk area, created for the purpose of providing and maintaining off-street parking lots for employees and customers of the downtown businesses. The Vehicle Offstreet Parking District #1 is also involved with downtown promotions and beautification.

VPD Board (9 members):

- Connie Geary
- Chad Barnhill 8/2021
- Pat Carney 8/2019
- Brad Love 8/2020
- Lacey Porn 8/2020
- Jessica Gordon 8/2020
- James Wapelhorst 8/2019
- Steve McNally 8/2021
- Lisa Blackman (Alt.) 8/2018
- John Stappert (Alt.) 8/2021



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everyone to purchase a tag. McNally said we should oversell the lots so these owners can purchase enough tickets for their team. Connie said we could eliminate abuse of the system if we reprint a tag ourselves. Stappert is going to talk to Francs and Magnolias and see what their needs are. Blackman added that if you go to Lincoln or Omaha it doesn't matter what shift you work, everyone needs to purchase a parking pass.

Invoices:

Invoice #71560 to Power Computing for \$525.40 for upgrading the River Point website.

McNally motioned, seconded by Gordon to approve this invoice. Roll Call: Yays: Gordon, McNally, Barnhill, Love, Porn, Carney, Geary, & Stappert. Nays: none. Motion carried

Committee Reports

1. Marketing (Barnhill, Love, Wapelhorst)
2. Loans & Recruitments (McNally)
3. Beautification (Geary, Porn, Wapelhorst)
 - a. Discussion on repair of 3rd Street Alley
4. Parking & Traffic (McNally, Carney)

Consideration for next regular meeting: April 3, 2019 @ 8:00 am

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jarad Dahlkoetter, Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce