

CITY OF DEADWOOD
PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
April 27, 2023

1. ROLL CALL:

The City of Deadwood Parking and Transportation Committee met Thursday, April 27, 2023, in the Century Room in City Hall. Justin Lux called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Justin Lux, Cory Shafer, Kevin Kuchenbecker, Trent Mohr, Lornie Stalder, John Rystrom, Misty Trehwella and Andy Goodwin. Commissioner Mike Johnson was present.

Absent were Tom Riley and Bill Burleson.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 13, 2023

Minutes for the meetings on Thursday, April 13, 2023, were approved unanimously by a motion from Mr. Lux and a second by Mr. Stalder.

3. ITEMS FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA:

- a. **Discuss the possibility of transferring the Alkali Ike Tourist Conveyance License from Rory Maynard to Blake Joseph, the current owner and operator of Boot Hill Tours.** Mr. Lux indicated he was contacted by Blake Joseph regarding what would need to be done to potentially purchase Alkali Ike from Rory Maynard. There isn't anything in ordinance that would prohibit the purchase. Mr. Josephs current plan would be to operate it as a completely separate business. Abandonment of the license was discussed in which if the license was abandoned, they could either get rid of that license so there would only be two operating or put that license out to bid. Mr. Blake will need to remember that running two would require the minimum of \$9,000 for the season for each business that would include if he just lets it sit. There is a benefit in that it's possible to get another bus off Main Street. Mr. Lux will reach out to Mr. Joseph to discuss further.
- b. **Keith Ewy to express concerns with the SDDOT signing project.** Mr. Lux indicated this project is to bring all of the signage into MUTCD compliance, primarily regarding reflectability, sign height, break away post, etc. Mr. Ewy was present to talk about the sign that is on his property. Mr. Ewy indicated he would landscape around the sign post if it's put in his yard. Thoughts were that it would probably be put into the concrete because they just bolt it into the sidewalk. Much discussion.

4. NOTICE TO CONTEST PARKING TICKETS: None

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Approval of the 2023 tourist conveyance schedule.** Mr. Lux indicated it's the same as last year. If the transfer goes through between the two companies, then we can bring it back to the committee to adjust the schedule. Motion by Mr. Kuchenbecker to approve, second by Mr. Mohr; motion carried.

- b. Discuss parking permit rates for commercial business (Jacob's Brewhouse and Grocer):** Employers buy parking permits for their employees to park. There was a question of whether the City would entertain a rate schedule based on the number of permits purchased, a volume discount. It may be premature to take action as the parking study is not complete yet. This could be considered as long as it does not negatively impact parking revenues. The committee decided to hold off on anything solid until Walker's report is received but we can tell the business owners we are open to it.
- c. Deadwood Dick's Sidewalk Work:** Dena Sandidge was present to discuss the plan to work on the sewer tap and a new fire sprinkler valve. This would start on May 8 in front of the middle and South buildings. Expecting this portion will take about a week. It will be excavated completely, and snow melt will also be added. No date for concrete yet. Discussion. Block the whole sidewalk off and the parking spots would need to be paid for. Move the pedestrians over to the other side for safety; City will provide the signs/barriers and they are responsible for maintaining the signs during the construction time. Nothing will be done to the north building right now.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Parking Study Update:** Mr. Lux indicated Mr. Kuchenbecker, Mr. Stalder and himself had a meeting with Walker Consultants regarding the completion of Phase 1 and they started pitching some ideas of what they are going to focus on going into the next phase. They provided a lot of very good, detailed information. It will be out on the website and Mr. Lux will forward the PowerPoint to everyone on the committee. Big take-aways include free employee parking, shuttle services for satellite parking areas especially for employees, rates schedules, trailer parking, ramp improvements that have already been implemented, signage, etc. Mr. Kuchenbecker indicated the attitude toward the kiosks by the residents was that they were horrible to use and the attitude of the visitors was less of a problem.

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:

(Items considered but no action will be taken at this time.)

8. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business for the committee to consider, Mr. Kuchenbecker moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Stalder; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rhonda McGrath, Recording Secretary

The next City of Deadwood Parking and Transportation Committee meeting will be held in the Century Room/Commission Room at City Hall on **Thursday, May 25, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.**

**** Audio from the meeting is posted on the "S" drive.