

CITY OF NEBRASKA CITY, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
July 6, 2020

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Nebraska City was conducted in the Gary White Memorial Room of the Rowe Safety Complex, 1518 Central Avenue and by video conference on the Zoom meeting platform, on July 6, 2020. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in at least three public places, the designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. The agenda was made available via the City Website and communicated in advance to the media, Mayor and Commissioners of this proceeding and said meeting was open to the public.

Mayor Bryan Bequette called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Mayor publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held and stated that the meeting is being recorded. If you are in our Zoom audience please keep your microphone muted. For those who are wanting to comment, please do the following: for those joining us via the Zoom app, or through their computer please click on the "Raise Hand" button, for those joining us through the call-in feature, please press *9 (star nine). This will notify our moderator, City Clerk-Treasurer Randy Dunster, that there is a comment from one of our virtual attendees and he will let me know that you wish to speak. I will then have him unmute you. When you speak, please first state your name and address. You can find information on: The Open Meetings Act at <https://ago.nebraska.gov/open-meetings>. Mayor Bequette then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call the following answered present: Paul Davis, Patrick Wehling, Vic Johns, Gloria Glover and Mayor Bequette. Absent: None. The following City Officials were present: Interim City Administrator Marty Stovall, City Attorney Drew Graham, Police Captain Lonnie Neeman, Utilities Director Jeff Kohrs, Library Director Donna Kruse and City Clerk-Treasurer Randy Dunster.

Mayor Bequette moved to approve the following consent items:

Approve minutes from the June 30, 2020 Special City Council Meeting.

Approve the Electricians Registration to Work application for Jim Brown Electric LLC. Motion seconded by Commissioner Johns. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Davis, Wehling, Glover, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried

Moved by Mayor Bequette to appoint Claudette Wielechowski and Nikki (Nicole) Johnson to the Library Board. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Johns, Wehling, Glover, Davis and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Bequette to appoint David Todd as the new City Administrator. Drew Graham spoke to explain the final hiring process. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Johns, Wehling, Glover, Davis and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Glover and seconded by Davis to accept the report of new claims and approving disposition of claims set for the period of June 16, 2020 to July 6, 2020. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Davis with abstention to any claims pertaining to West Lake Ace Hardware, Wehling, Johns, Glover and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

CLAIMS LIST

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Craig Adamek	Artist Sales	\$200.25	MACY, BETH	Artist Sales	\$41.25
Adkins Signs	Capital Outlays	\$350.00	Mead Lumber	Capital Imprv	\$3,056.61
AQUA-CHEM, INC	Chemicals	\$2,490.45	Menards - Lincoln South	Equip	\$146.00
Arbor Mart, Inc	Fuel	\$1,587.48	Mercer's Do-It-Best	Rep/Maint	\$521.92
Arbor Valley Animal Clinic	Animal Expense	\$57.00	Keith Morrison	Rfnd	\$25.00
B & D DIAMOND PRO, INC	Grounds	\$10,080.00	Mullenax Auto Supply	Rep/Maint	\$68.53
Richard D. Bennett, Jr.	Rock	\$765.13	NAPA AUTO PARTS	Rep/Maint	\$381.43
Bill Walters & Son Shop, Inc.	Rep/Maint	\$665.85	NE Law Enforcement Training Ct	Training	\$150.00
Bohl Plumbing and Heating	Rep/Maint	\$630.34	NITSICK, JANET ANN	Artist Sales	\$30.00
CARMICHAEL, ANITA	Artist Sales	\$90.74	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Sup	\$15.98
Consolidated Management Co	Training	\$199.52	Odey's Inc.	Grounds	\$1,355.70
Brenda Copenhaver	Artist Sales	\$31.50	Otoe County Clerk	County	\$1,520.00
Danko Emergency Equipment Co.	Rep/Maint	\$45.00	PARTSCH, TAMMY	Artist Sales	\$72.84
DAS STATE ACCTG - CENTRAL	Radio Systems Fee	\$290.00	TAMMY PARTSCH	Rfnd	\$25.00
Douglas Tire Co.	Rep/Maint	\$470.94	Pepsi-Cola of Lincoln	Beverages	\$1,805.10
Eakes Office Solutions	Sup	\$1,429.25	ROSE PFEIFFER	Rfnd	\$25.00
Fareway Stores, Inc.	Sup	\$942.40	Roger Pieper	Artist Sales	\$30.00
FEY, JIM	Artist Sales	\$57.75	R Carts - Rogg R McLean	Rep/Maint	\$876.58
FLAGSHIP PUBLISHING, INC	Adv	\$450.00	DAVID RAKOWSKI	Rfnd	\$180.00
FRERICHS, NANCY	Artist Sales	\$27.00	Recreation Supply Company	Rep/Maint	\$129.26
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	Chemicals	\$397.50	Rhoades, Vickie	Rep/Maint	\$7.18
Gatehouse Media NE Holdings	Adv	\$56.76	Christopher D Richardson	Fuel	\$355.50
Travis Gillespie	Mowing	\$120.00	River View Pest Control	Pest Control	\$348.00
Tim & Laura Glas	Artist Sales	\$62.25	RR DONNELLEY	Sup	\$130.44
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	Uniforms	\$64.50	S Systems	Computer	\$119.99

HEINE, LORI	Artist Sales	\$33.75	SCHMITZ, JEFF	Artist Sales	\$78.75
HELENA CHEMICAL COMPANY	Chemicals	\$1,053.50	Southeast Nebr. Develop. Dist.	Dues	\$6,687.00
HOLLIWAY, MARCIA	Artist Sales	\$145.00	SPIRAL COMMUNICATIONS	Phone	\$1,145.60
Salute Our Military Community	Donation Purchase	\$400.00	STEALTH-Spartan of Canada, LTD	Rep/Maint	\$580.23
HUNZEKER, MARSHA	Artist Sales	\$129.00	Ashley Stevens	Artist Sales	\$26.25
J&T DISTRIBUTING, LLC	Resale	\$274.56	STOUFFER, LINDA	Artist Sales	\$74.25
LINDSEY KLASSEN	Rfnd	\$45.00	Sysco Lincoln	Resale	\$2,200.62
KOHTZ, KAREN	Artist Sales	\$58.50	Titlest	Resale	\$196.81
Kreifels Electric L.L.C.	Rep/Maint	\$2,611.52	Unifirst Corporation	Contract Serv	\$215.79
Ag Solutions Group LLC	Rep/Maint	\$1,349.57	VERIZON WIRELESS	Phone	\$466.51
Marie Lamb	Artist Sales	\$67.50	VIVIAL MEDIA	Adv	\$16.75
Landis Engine Company, Inc.	Rep/Maint	\$58.95	Jeff Wagner	Rfnd	\$200.00
LARRY LANDWEHR	Rfnd	\$180.00	WAHL, RON	Artist Sales	\$146.25
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES, INC.	Interpretation	\$99.35	WALTERS, ANDREA	Artist Sales	\$139.50
JEFF LOLLMANN	Computer	\$282.06	WELLSANDT, KRIS	Artist Sales	\$54.00
Loveland Grass Pad	Chemicals	\$218.90	WESTLAKE ACE HARDWARE	Rep/Maint	\$865.88
LYON, PHYLLIS	Artist Sales	\$56.25	WEX BANK	Fuel	\$352.74
			Windstream, Inc.	Phone	\$958.37
			DAVID ZIMMENS	Tree	\$100.00

Moved by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Wehling to approve the BPW EWO#144 to purchase and install a 62.5 KW dual cord DC Fast Charger for a total cost of \$103,454.12 and after a rebate from NDEE of \$72,731.94 the net cost would be \$30,722.18. Jeff Kohrs spoke to explain the request. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Davis, Wehling, Johns, Glover and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Wehling to advertise for Bid-Nebraska City Veterans Memorial Building Restroom, Mechanical, Electrical Upgrades and New Elevator. Marty Stovall and Jim Kuhn spoke to explain the request. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Davis, Wehling, Johns, Glover and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Bequette and seconded by Johns to ratify all actions identified in the attached minutes taken by the City Council of the City of Nebraska City during meetings held on 04/13/20, 04/20/20, 04/27/20, 05/04/20, 05/18/20, 06/01/20 and 06/15/20 by electronic communication conference, before June 30, 2020, pursuant to Gov. Ricketts' Executive Orders No. 20-03 and No. 20-24. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Davis, Wehling, Johns, Glover and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Bequette gave an update on the Covid-19 situation and the Board of Health discussions. Donna Kruse gave an update on the Library Covid-19 procedures and plans.

The Council gave their unanimous consent to meet on July 28th, 29th & 30th for Special Budget Discussion meetings.

Moved by Mayor Bequette and seconded by Johns for the Council to go into closed session with the City Attorney for the purpose of having a strategy session for the negotiation of terms of employment for the newly appointed City Administrator. The meeting being closed to protect the public's interest by ensuring that the possible terms being discussed are not being disclosed to the candidate prior to the offer being made which would negatively impact the City's ability to conduct such negotiations. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Glover, Wehling, Johns, Davis and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried. The closed session began at 6:38 PM.

Council came out of closed session and resumed the Open Session at 7:38 PM stating that no action was taken during closed session. No further action was taken.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

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I, the undersigned City Clerk for the City of Nebraska City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Randy A. Dunster, City Clerk-Treasurer