

CITY OF NEBRASKA CITY, NEBRASKA  
 MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
 March 7, 2022

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 March 7, 2022. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the local paper and 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 PM. 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 was being conducted under the Open Meetings Act. Mayor Bequette then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call the following answered present: Ron Osovski, Patrick Wehling, Vic Johns and Mayor Bequette. Absent: Gloria Glover. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Lou Leone, Police Chief David Lacy, Fire Chief Rob Schreiner, Utilities Director Jeff Kohrs, Construction and Facility Manager Marty Stovall and City Clerk-Treasurer Randy Dunster.

Mayor Bequette pulled item two out of consent due to a potential conflict of interest.

Mayor Bequette moved to approve the following consent item:

Approve minutes from the February 21, 2022 City Council Meeting.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Wehling. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Bequette called for the consent of the council to appoint Stephanie Farmer to the Civil Service Commission. She is replacing Heidi Rosane on the Civil Service Commission. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Osovski, Johns, Wehling, and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Bequette made a proclamation recognizing Mikah Ruiz for his accomplishments as the 220lb Nebraska State High School Wrestling Champion. Mikah joined the Mayor with his coaches Tyler Hodges, Josh Digman, Alex Meredith & Pat Heng. Mayor Bequette invited former Mayor Jack Hobbie who was a multi-year Wrestling Champion to offer his congratulations by video call.

Mayor Bequette introduced the SDL Application from Nebraska City Knights Inc. to be held on March 26, 2022 from 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM at Lourdes Central High School 412 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave for a fundraiser event. Commissioner Osovski declared a potential conflict of interest as an Officer of the Knights of Columbus and departed the room at 6:10pm. Commissioner Wehling moved and Johns seconded to approve the SDL Application from Nebraska City Knights Inc. to be held on March 26, 2022 from 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM at Lourdes Central High School 412 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave for a fundraiser event. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Johns, Wehling, and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Osovski returned after the vote had been taken.

Moved by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Wehling to accept the report of new claims and approving disposition of claims set for the period of February 22, 2022 to March 7, 2022. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns, and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

**Claims List**  
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League of NE Municipalities	Training	\$196.00	Jerad Sornson	Rep/Maint	\$215.41
CSG Forte Payments	CC Fees	\$0.30	Larson Motors	Rep/Maint	\$1,113.76
World Pay Integrated Payments	CC Fees	\$82.40	Lou Leone	Training	\$16.25
Payroll	Payroll	\$131,739.61	Mead Lumber	Rep/Maint	\$110.68
Ameritas	Benefits	\$9,509.93	MENARDS - BELLEVUE	Equipment	\$521.29
Lincoln Financial Group	Benefits	\$6,838.94	Mercer's Do-It-Best	Rep/Maint	\$240.36
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Benefits	\$49,799.13	Miller Monroe Farrell	Ins	\$41.00
Petty Cash-Golf Course	Petty Cash	\$350.00	Keith Morrison	Training	\$254.91
Quality Brands of Lincoln	Resale	\$461.20	NAPA AUTO PARTS Nebraska City Museum	Rep/Maint	\$429.51
AKRS Equipment	Rep/Maint	\$110.90	Assoc. NC VETERANS	City Curator	\$2,416.66
American Recycling & Arbor Mart, Inc	Trash	\$872.34	MEMORIAL BUILDING	Ins Reimb	\$22,938.12
	Fuel	\$2,740.50	NC Tourism & Commerce	Tourism	\$7,083.33
			NE Planning & Zoning		
Arbor Outdoor Power Barrett Construction Company	Equipment	\$749.98	Assoc.	Training	\$100.00
				T.N.R.	
	Rep/Maint	\$5,500.00	NEBRASKA CITY T.N.R. NORTHWEST BANK &	Program	\$550.00
BKD	Audit	\$13,670.00	TRUST CO	TIF	\$1,690.12
Kolton Bohac	Uniforms	\$233.80	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Rep/Maint	\$19.82
Brown's Shoe Fit Company	Uniforms	\$97.75	Olsson Associates	Legal	\$2,598.75
Card Services	Multiple	\$235.45	ON DECK SPORTS	Equipment	\$13,676.89

CLINE WILLIAMS					
WRIGHT JOHNSON	TIF	\$1,365.50	Otoe County Clerk	County	\$1,572.00
Commercial State Bank	TIF	\$588.66	Paper Tiger Shredding, Inc.	Shredding	\$78.00
			POSITIVE		
Kurt Curtis	Referee	\$90.00	CONCEPTS/ATPI	Supplies	\$198.60
Nathan Dille	Referee	\$90.00	R & R Products Co.	Rep/Maint	\$1,596.00
Douglas Tire Co.	Rep/Maint	\$1,055.72	Thomas C Ragland	Referee	\$120.00
				K-9 Unit	
DUNSTER, RANDY	Training	\$96.04	Christopher D Richardson	Reimb	\$233.17
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$248.90	River View Pest Control	Pest Control	\$183.00
Jason Edmisten	Referee	\$120.00	S & P DISTRIBUTION	Resale	\$73.60
ELECTRONIC	Contract				
CONTRACTING CO	Serv	\$650.00	Sirchie Finger Print Labs	Supplies	\$272.27
Fareway Stores, Inc.	Resale	\$288.14	James Thurman	Referee	\$150.00
	Awards				
FIVE J CATERING	Dinner	\$2,130.00	Unifirst Corporation	Contract Serv	\$293.81
				Phone/	
GALLS, LLC	Uniforms	\$258.49	VERIZON WIRELESS	Internet	\$806.12
Gatehouse Media NE					
Holdings	Adv	\$62.37	Video Home Theater	Equipment	\$85.00
	Flower		WESTLAKE ACE		
Grimm's Gardens	Baskets	\$1,323.78	HARDWARE	Rep/Maint	\$83.61
Grant Hallstrom	Referee	\$90.00	Sarah Wiltse	Legal	\$1,000.00
				Phone/	
HORIZON BANK	TIF	\$371.68	Windstream, Inc.	Internet	\$529.16

Moved by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Mayor Bequette to approve a request from KNCB to hold a Cross Recycling Electronics Event on Saturday April 16, 2022 and to use the ROWE Memorial Building Parking lot from 9:00AM to Noon. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Osovski to approve a request from KNCB to hold the Great American Cleanup on April 27, 2022 and to use the Sunken Parking lot to host a roll off dumpster from 3:30PM to 6:30PM. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Wehling to approve the request from Project Response for the "Walk A Mile in Her Shoes" event to utilize the sidewalks on April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00PM to 3:00PM from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Wehling and seconded by Osovski to approve a request from Leadership Nebraska City Class #17 to place flowers and shrubs around the Steinhart Park sign, and to place a bench along the walking path, provided the parks and rec department has reviewed the final selection of plantings. Lou Leone, Rebeccah Austin and Jen Teten spoke to explain the item. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Due to Commissioner Glover's absence and request to table the item until she could be present, Mayor Bequette moved and seconded by Wehling to table the discussion on the Equipment Reserve for FY21/22. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Lou Leone explained to the Council the timeline for holding a series of Town Hall meetings to discuss creating a plan for utilizing the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

Moved by Commissioner Johns and seconded by Wehling to approve purchase agreement number one for CDBG PRR house at 1117 3rd avenue. Marty Stovall spoke to explain the item. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Johns and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:28P.M.

#### AFFIDAVIT

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.

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Randy A. Dunster, City Clerk-Treasurer