

CITY OF NEBRASKA CITY, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
April 17, 2023

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 April 17, 2023. 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 6:02 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 was being conducted under the Open Meetings Act. This meeting is also being recorded. Mayor Bequette then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call the following answered present: Ron Osovski, Patrick Wehling, Joe Chaney, Cole Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Absent: None. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Perry Mader, Police Captain Lonnie Neeman, Fire Chief Rob Schreiner, Construction and Facility Manager Marty Stovall, Utilities Director Jeff Kohrs and City Clerk Randy Dunster.

Mayor Bequette moved to approve the following consent items:

Approve minutes from the April 3, 2023 City Council Meeting.

Approve the report of new claims and approving disposition of claims set for the period of April 4, 2023 to April 17, 2023. Approve a request from NCTC to use 8th Street from the alley to 1st Corso and the parking lot of the Veterans Memorial Building to host a Farmer's Market every Thursday evening from May 18th to August 24th from 3:00pm to 6:00pm.

Approve the Nebraska Jaycees request to host an Independence Day Celebration with a Fireworks Display on Saturday July 1st with a rain date of July 2nd and to have a Roadblock Fundraiser at the intersection of 10th Street and Central Ave from 9:00am to 1:00pm on Saturday June 10th with a rain date of Saturday June 17, 2023.

Approve the request from NCTC to close Central Avenue from 7th Street to 8th Street from 4:00pm to 10:00pm on Sunday August 20, 2023 to host the Annual Farm to Fork Event.

Approve the BPW recommendation to approve wastewater work order #432 to replace 2 raw lift station pumps at \$30,000 each for a total of \$60,000. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wehling. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Sharp, Chaney and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Claims List					
April 17, 2023					
Payroll	Salaries	\$136,380.59	HORNER, GEORGE	Refund	\$550.00
NE Dept of Revenue	Sales Tax	\$1,433.97	Ideal Pure Water	Supplies	\$89.00
Quality Brands of Lincoln	Resale	\$517.80	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	ARPA Const	\$42,175.00
K&Z Distributing	Resale	\$239.35	Jones Automotive, Inc.	Capital	\$7,418.82
Wex Health, Inc	Benefits	\$719.45	Kreifels Electric L.L.C.	Rep/Maint	\$2,581.43
ZIRMED - Elavon	CC Fees	\$86.90	KUHN CONSTRUCTION	Refund	\$100.00
A-1 Locksmith	Rep/Maint	\$423.00	Landis Engine Company, Inc.	Rep/Maint	\$17.98
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING	Contract Serv	\$275.38	LANT HARDWARE, INC	Rep/Maint	\$238.65
Adkins Signs	Rep/Maint	\$176.00	Larson Motors	Rep/Maint	\$783.77
AKRS Equipment	Rep/Maint	\$32.86	LIND LAWN SERVICES INC	Contract Labor	\$1,600.00
Arbor Mart, Inc	Fuel	\$3,257.22	Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.	Supplies	\$577.21
Barco Municipal Products	Road Markings	\$863.10	Mead Lumber	Rep/Maint	\$70.85
Bill Walters & Son Shop, Inc.	Rep/Maint	\$35.65	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC	Donations	\$8,190.00
Cathy Blankenship	Uniforms	\$181.90	NAPA AUTO PARTS	Rep/Maint	\$469.63
Bohl Plumbing and Heating	Rep/Maint	\$174.83	NATIONWIDE BONDS	Pension	\$2,146.00
COREY BOHLEN	Refund	\$25.00	NC Clerk - Treasurer	Title Fee	\$25.00
Bound Tree Medical LLC	Medical Supplies	\$984.83	Nebraska City Rotary Club	Dues	\$125.00
Brown's Shoe Fit Company	Uniforms	\$260.00	Nebraska City Utilities	Utilities	\$20.00
Capital Business Systems	Contract Serv	\$419.15	NC Tourism & Commerce	Tourism	\$250.00
Card Services	Multiple	\$4,279.98	NORTH PLATTE BULLETIN	Adv	\$110.00
Cherry Road Media Inc.	Adv	\$124.37	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Rep/Maint	\$79.96
CITY OF NC	Donations	\$616.00	Otoe County Clerk	Dispatch	\$4,987.50
Continuum Employee Assistance	EAP	\$1,775.00	Paper Tiger Shredding, Inc.	Shredding	\$35.00
Danko Emergency Equipment Co.	Rep/Maint	\$1,580.92	PAVERS INC	Const	\$188,441.51
AARON DELHAY	Refund	\$200.00	SVEHLA LAW OFFICES	Legal Service	\$5,603.00
Douglas Tire Co.	Rep/Maint	\$1,662.93	TASC	ACA Reporting	\$312.18
Eakes Office Solutions	Supplies	\$466.94	Time Warner Cable	Cable	\$140.45
EDEN K9 CONSULTING & TRAINING	Donations	\$174.00	Unifirst Corporation	Contract Serv	\$262.33
FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK	Loan	\$4,017.02	VAIRKKO	Computer	\$98.00
FIRST WIRELESS, INC.	Rep/Maint	\$210.00	VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY	Chemicals	\$4,340.30
FORVIS, LLP	Audit	\$5,500.00	WESTLAKE ACE HARDWARE	Fasteners	\$133.92
FRIEDLI, PAT	Supplies	\$34.39	Windstream, Inc.	Phone/Internet	\$511.15
GALLS, LLC	Uniforms	\$96.14	Witmer Public Safety Group	Uniforms	\$42.99
GOVHR USA, LLC	Contract Serv	\$7,788.07	Zimco Supply Co.	Rep/Maint	\$303.50
Hockenbergs-Trimark	Rep/Maint	\$4,427.00	Zoll Medical Corporation GPO	Medical Billing	\$552.50

Mayor Bequette and Chief Schreiner recognized the newly elected Fire Department Officers: Rob Schreiner Chief, Brian Ehmke Asst Chief, Chris Gripenstroh Asst Chief, Dave Briley Captain, Jason Booth Captian, Scott Brandt Captain, Corey Swanson, Training, Alan Viox Safety. Kurt Curtis President, Dan Gripenstroh Secretary, Steve Recker Treasurer,

Moved by Mayor Bequette to re-appoint John Hogeland to the Board of Public Works. Upon roll call the following voted YES: Chaney, Wehling, Sharp, Osovski and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Bequette administered the Oath of Office to Perry Mader as the new City Administrator.

Treasurer's Monthly report was given, as of March 31, 2023, Total Nebraska City funds of \$11,367,147.85. Total Cash and Reserve for Nebraska City Utilities of \$14,414,227.88. Total City of Nebraska City and Utility funds \$25,781,375.73. Council acknowledged receipt of City Administrator Report. Randy Dunster spoke regarding the report. Council acknowledged receipt of Utility Financial Reports up to January 31, 2023. Council acknowledged receipt of Utility Claims for period ending March 2023.

Jim Meyer presented the idea to designate an area for a Veterans Memorial Tree Park.

Moved by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Osovski to approve the SDL and the request to use the Sunken Parking lot on Saturday May 6th from 2:00pm to 5:00pm for the Keep Nebraska City Beautiful Corn Hole Fundraiser. Sally DuBois and Amy Allgood spoke to explain the event. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Chaney, Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Chaney and seconded by Wehling to approve the SDL request from Dinty Moore's to use the Veterans Memorial Building Parking lot on May 27th and May 28th 2023 from 11:00am to 11:00pm for a fundraiser event. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Chaney, Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Wehling and seconded by Sharp to approve the request from NCTC to use Wildwood Park to host a Community Picnic Event on Sunday June 4, 2023 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm with a rain date of Tuesday June 6, 2023 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Amy Allgood spoke to explain the event. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Chaney, Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Wehling and seconded by Osovski to approve the request from NCTC to host the Annual Treestock Event in Steinhart Park on July 1st – July 2nd, 2023 with the option to place the carnival on either the Central Avenue side of Steinhart Park or in the parking lot east of the pool. Amy Allgood spoke to explain the event. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Chaney, Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Osovski and seconded by Wehling to initiate the actions necessary to raise the Nebraska City franchise fee on gas and electric utilities from 5% to 6.25% to pay for a bond to cover the costs of installing infrastructure for the Kreifels Hills Subdivision, (Clint and Kim). Marty Stovall and Andy Forney with DA Davidson and Jeff Kohrs spoke regarding the item. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Chaney, Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Osovski and seconded by Sharp to approve the proposal from Geotech Inc for geotechnical exploration of the Kreifels Hills Subdivision, (Clint and Kim), in the amount of \$11,200.00 and allow the Mayor to sign. Marty Stovall spoke regarding the item. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Wehling, Chaney, Sharp and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:17 P.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.

Randy A. Dunster, City Clerk-Treasurer