

CITY OF NEBRASKA CITY, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
August 7, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Budget Discussion 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 Ave, on August 7, 2023. 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. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance to the media, Mayor and Commissioners of this proceeding and said meeting was open to the public.

Mayor Bequette called the meeting to order at 8:10 A.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. Mayor Bryan 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, Construction and Facility Manager Marty Stovall, Police Chief David Lacy, Fire Chief Rob Schreiner, Utilities Director Jeff Kohrs, Utilities Treasurer Mona Kuhlenengel, City Treasurer Katie Drake-Heng and City Clerk Randy Dunster.

Moved by Commissioner Osovski and seconded by Chaney to approve minutes from the August 4, 2023 Special City Council Budget Meeting. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Sharp, Wehling, Chaney and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The Council discussed Fire Department, Police Department, Wildwood Historic House and Nebraska City Utilities. Gloria Glover spoke regarding the Budget preparations.

Moved by Mayor Bequette and seconded by Wehling for the Council to go into closed session for the protection of public interest specifically under the Open Meetings Act, the Committee Trust created under section 81-1801 for discussion regarding the amounts to be paid to Officers and Sergeants and the Dispatcher and because that is under negotiation and be joined by the City Administrator, Chief of Police, City Treasurer and City Clerk. Council began the closed session at 9:00 AM. Council came out of closed session and resumed the Open Session at 9:37 AM stating that no action was taken during closed session. No further action was taken.

At 10:05 AM, a brief recess was announced, council resumed at 10:11 AM.

Moved by Commissioner Wehling and seconded by Chaney to approve the Equipment/Project Request, (EPR), scoresheet as currently proposed on the spreadsheet and discussed by the Mayor to be funded through excess General Fund dollars in the amount of \$276,766.35. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Osovski, Sharp, Wehling, Chaney and Mayor Bequette. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:14 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 Dunster, City Clerk