

Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
March 3, 2014
6:00 p.m.



The City Council of the City of Minden, Nebraska, met on this day at 6:00 p.m. in regular session in the Council Chambers, pursuant to advance notice of said meeting simultaneously transmitted to all members of the Council and to the public as shown by the copy thereof posted in the Minden City Hall, Outside the Minden City Hall, First Bank & Trust Co., Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co., and the Post Office. A copy of the notice is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Larry Evans, Teresa Sumstine, Ted Griess, and Lathan Thompson. The following City Officials were present: Mayor Roger Jones, City Administrator Matthew Cederburg, City Attorney Tom Lieske and City Clerk Abbey Jordan.

All proceedings hereinafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the Public.

After roll was called, Mayor Jones led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Jones next made the following statement:

“Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act and Public Records Law Requirements a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted for public inspection on the door located in the back of the Council Chambers. In addition, for public inspection, there is located on the table to the south of the chairs in the Council Chambers, a copy of the Council packet that was distributed to the members of the Council prior to this meeting.”

“The City Council will take public comments on an agenda item, if it is deemed necessary, before the Council begins discussion of the agenda item.”

- a. The following items were listed under the agenda item “consent agenda” for this meeting: a. Consider Approval of Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting (s) b. Consider Approval of Bills & Claims for this Council Meeting. c. Consider Reports that are Enclosed in the Council Packets for This Council Meeting. d. Consider a Special Designated Liquor Permit for Saturday, September 20, 2014 from 4:00 PM to 1:00 AM for the No Where Bar at the Kearney County Fairgrounds, Minden, NE for the Mark Neal wedding reception.

The following bills and claims were submitted for approval under the “consent agenda” and are on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Accent Wire Products 439.35, A. Christensen 70.00, Air Power of Nebraska Inc. 1,272.01, Charter Communications 1,210.53, C. Koch 70.00, C. Klahn 35.00, City Of Minden 205.00, City Office Account 4,290.34, Danko Emergency Equip. Co. 799.33, Elliott Equipment Co. 65.21, Embassy Suites La Vista 200.00, Emergency Medical Products 581.81, First Bank & Trust Co. 8,106.06, Fyr-Tek, Inc. 159.47, Hawkins Water Treatment 562.09, Heiman Fire Equipment

303.59, J. Carter 1,421.00, J. Quadhamer 340.00, B. Lynn 3,333.33, Kully Pipe & Steel Supply 490.30, M. Cederburg 362.60, Mellen & Associates, Inc. 46.94, Minden Rural Fire Dept. 2,627.35, Minden Utility Dept. 7,159.58, Mower Medic LLC. 104.25, Municipal Automation & Control 314.29, NCS Equipment, Inc. 231.99, NE Dept Of Health/Human SVCS 40.00, NE Public Health Environmental 63.00, Nebraska Economic Developers 100.00, Olsson Associates 382.64, Revenue Bond Payment Account 32,314.05, R. Young 450.00, Rose Equipment Inc. 111.05, Southern Power District 3,755.45, T. Lieske 1,623.50, UNL Event and Conference 80.00

Council Member Thompson moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Griess seconded the motion. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried.

Agenda item #4, January 2014 Budget Report.

City Administrator Matthew Cederburg gave a report regarding the January 2014 budget. No action taken.

Agenda item #5, Presentation of Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2012-13, Dana F. Cole & Company.

Karen Labenz from Dana Cole gave an annual audit report over the previous Fiscal year. The City of Minden has received an unmodified opinion on the audit report, which is the best possible outcome for the City. No action taken.

Agenda item #6, Consider approval of Olsson Associates letter of agreement for Street Superintendent and on-call services.

The purpose of this agreement is to designate Jeff Palik as the City's Licensed Street Superintendent for the calendar year 2014 for a fixed fee of \$2,000. The agreement also outlines fees for consulting service projects not to exceed \$5,000 to be billed at time and expense. A separate agreement will be established with the City for any work assignment for which fees are anticipated at the outset to exceed \$5,000.

Council Member Evans expressed concerns that the mileage rates provided in the agreement were not correct with IRS rates. City Administrator Matt Cederburg was going to follow up with Olsson Associates to ensure a correct mileage rate is in the contract.

Council Member Thompson moved to approve Olsson Associates' letter of agreement for Street Superintendent and on-call services with the condition of a corrected mileage rate. Seconded by Griess. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried.

Agenda item #7, Consider discussion and approval to solicit bids for an ambulance.

Fire Chief Brown stated that the new ambulance will be a 4wd vehicle, which is important due to weather conditions and county roads. There are times that a 2wd ambulance is not sufficient for the weather. The cost of a new ambulance is going to be approximately \$160,000.

Discussion continued regarding whether the old ambulance would be traded in for credit on the new ambulance or if the old ambulance would be kept as a back-up. The City currently has 2 ambulances, yet there are times that a third is needed. Fire Chief Brown stated that time is

crucial because there are instances when the difference of a few minutes can make a major difference. Council Member Griess pointed out that the number of EMS calls has nearly doubled in the past 5 years, which is even more reason why a third ambulance needs to be purchased.

Council Member Sumstine motioned to approve the solicitation of bids for an ambulance. Seconded by Thompson. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried.

Agenda item #8, Consider City-County-State Cost share for Street Lights at intersection of 31 Road and Hwy 6&34 by Vet Clinic.

Council Member Griess pointed out that it seems logical that more safety lighting needs to be put in place as residential areas expand. This area, which includes Minden West Estates, is expected to expand in the future, which is also a good reason to consider adding in lights as expansion occurs.

Council Member Thompson moved to approve City-County-State Cost share for Street Lights at intersection of 31 Road and Hwy 6&34 by Vet Clinic. Seconded by Griess. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried.

Agenda item #9, Consider Approval to Close City Streets and 33 Road to Highway 74 and City-County traffic control on Highway 6&34 out to 37 Road for Triathlon as requested by Ryan Wakefield and to accept the duties and responsibilities of LB 589.

Roy Wakefield was present in the audience to answer any questions the Council might have about Ryan Wakefield's request. City Administrator Matt Cederburg estimated that the cost of the event would be \$3,000 which included road signs and labor. Council member Griess expressed concerns that only having 6 people at a time in the pool was not going to be very conducive of the time frame that is being expressed.

Council Member Thompson moved to approve the closing of City Streets and 33 Road to Highway 74 and City-County traffic control on Highway 6&34 out to 37 Road for Triathlon as requested by Ryan Wakefield contingent upon approval from the County Board of Supervisors and a joint Resolution between the City and County to cost share 50/50 for the event and to jointly accept the duties and responsibilities of LB 589. Seconded by Evans. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried.

Agenda item #10, Public Hearing, Consider Issuance, Refusal, or No Recommendation to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission for a Class D (Beer, Wine & Distilled Spirit off Sale Only) License for Huenemann, William C d.b.a. 5th Street IGA.

City Attorney Tom Lieske opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Bill Huenemann was present to express and explain his stance of being in favor of the liquor permit. Nobody was present speaking against the liquor permit.

Tom Lieske closed the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

Council Member Griess motioned to recommend that the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission issue a Class D (Beer, Wine, & Distilled Spirit off Sale Only) License for Huenemann, William

C d.b.a. 5th Street IGA. Seconded by Sumstine. On roll call the following voted Aye: Sumstine, Evans, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried.

It was moved by Council Member Thompson and seconded by Sumstine to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. On roll call the following voted Aye: Sumstine, Evans, Griess, and Thompson. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned.

/s/ Roger Jones
Roger L. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

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