

Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
August 3, 2015
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 Griess called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Larry Evans, Teresa Sumstine, Bob Carlson, and Lathan Thompson. The following City Council Member was absent: None. The following City Officials were present: Mayor Ted Griess, City Administrator Matthew Cederburg, City Clerk Abbey Jordan, and City Attorney Tom Lieske. City Official absent: None.

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

After roll was called, Mayor Griess led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Then Mayor Griess 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.”

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 Special Designated Liquor License for Upland Fire Department on September 12, 2015 from 4 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Kearney County Fairgrounds for the Ellebrecht/Malone wedding/

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

City Of Minden 205.00, Comcate 2100.00, D. Smith 50.00, Dutton Lainson Co 721.14, Emergency Medical Products 104.00, First Bank & Trust C 12446.47, Hach Company 118.46, Industrial Process T 5355.00, Island Supply Welding 68.02, Jeff Johnson Construction 934.31, John Deere Financial 207.31, J. Quadhamer 340.00, Ke Co Treas 3333.33, Kim Carver Specialized Hauling 50.00, Lieske, Lieske & Ensz 2085.00, Lincoln Winwater Works 44.99, Mason's Market 160.28, M. Cederburg 52.08, Menards Of Kearney 320.45, Mh Equipment Company 574.13, Minden Chamber Of Co 874.52, Minden Public School 3195.00, Minden Rural Fire De 2701.54, Minden Utility Dept. 5223.02, Mosaic 500.00, Ne Public Health Environmental 63.00, Olsson Associates 18537.38, Platte Valley Communications 76.30, Premier Pyrotechnics 3250.97, R. Malone 180.00, Revenue Bond Payment 25353.00, R. Young 455.00, Sos Portable Toilets 125.00, Sunbelt Rentals, Inc 23.00, Travelers 3772.00, United Suppliers, Inc 2187.85, Utility Service Co. 84610.00, Village Cleaners Inc 29.20.

Thompson motioned to approve the consent agenda and Sumstine seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Carlson, Thompson, and Sumstine. Motion carried.

Agenda item #5, Consider Approval of a Resolution for the Airport Authority Budget Tax Request of \$57,000, same as prior year.

RESOLUTION NO. 1643

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY'S LEVY REQUEST

Whereas, the Mayor and Council of the City of Minden is in receipt of the City of Minden Airport Authority Resolution No. 15-1, and

Whereas, The Mayor and Council of the City of Minden has been considering the budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, and

Whereas, Nebraska Statute 77-3443 (3) requires all political subdivisions subject to city/village levy authority to submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the City Council, and

Whereas, the Mayor and Council shall consider the preliminary request for levy request in full or in part, and as a part of the budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, and

Whereas, the Mayor and Council realize the City of Minden Airport Authority is requesting \$57,000, a proposed levy that is the same as the levy requested for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, and

Whereas, the Mayor and Council authorized a levy in the amount of \$57,000 for the final levy amount for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Minden, Kearney County, Nebraska, that Section 15.06 of the City of Minden Personnel Manual be amended to read as follow, to wit:

1. As required by Nebraska Statute 77-3443 (4), the final allocation of levy authority for the Minden Airport Authority for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 shall be \$57,000.
2. As required by Nebraska Statute 77-3443 (4), a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Chairperson of the City of Minden Airport Authority after its passage according to law.

The passage of said Resolution having been consented to by a majority of the members of the City Council, the Mayor declared the Resolution passed and adopted, this 3rd of August, 2015.

PASSED and APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2015.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

Thompson motioned to approve the resolution and Sumstine seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson and Thompson. Motion carried.

Agenda item #6, Discussion of options for LED Street Lighting and consider purchasing or bidding.

Cederburg gave a brief summary describing the costs and benefits of the LED Street Lighting project. Concerns were shown regarding the wattage of the new lights and whether or not they would be comparable to the current street lights. Additionally, questions pertaining to the amount of energy that would be saved with the LED lights were asked. An approximation of \$16,041 is to be saved annually and the approximate life of the new lights is 13.70 years.

Sumstine asked for clarification that the same poles and wire arms would be used with the new LED lights. The item is tabled until the August 17th meeting.

Agenda item #7, Consider Approval of Minden Housing Agency's Project Activities Exempt status from NEPA review requirements per 24 CFR 5834 (a)(10), as it meets the conditions specified for such exemption under this section. Jordan gave a brief summary of the exemption.

Thompson motioned to approve the exemption status and Sumstine seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Agenda item #8, Public Comments.

Jim Bunger presented a photograph to the council for the council chambers that is available for purchase in different sizes.

Bryan Smith brought up concerns of traffic flow by the middle school during construction.

Agenda item #9, Closed Session, Personnel. Thompson motioned to enter closed section at 7:03 pm. Evans seconded the motion. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Thompson motioned to exit closed session at 7:48 pm and Evans seconded the motion. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Agenda item #10, Closed Session, Strategy. Thompson motioned to enter closed session at 7:49 pm and Carlson seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Evans motioned to exit closed session at 8:24 pm. Sumstine seconded the motion. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Agenda item #11, Evans motioned to enter closed session at 8:24 pm. Thompson seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Carlson motioned to exit closed session at 8:28 pm and Sumstine seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Agenda item #12, Take Action on Bienhoff Agreement concerning Sewer Litigation. Carlson motioned to approve and Sumstine seconded. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Motion carried.

Agenda item #13, Adjournment. Sumstine moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm and was seconded by Evans. On roll call the following voted Aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Thompson. Meeting adjourned.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

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