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Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
October 19, 2020

The City Council of the City of Minden, Nebraska, met on this day at 6:00 p.m. in regular session in the Fire Hall, 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 Roger Jones. The following City Officials were present: Mayor Ted Griess, City Administrator Matt Cederburg, City Attorney Tom Lieske.

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 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 east wall 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. Please state your name and address prior to commenting."

Agenda Item #3, Mayoral Announcements. Griess gave his condolences to Chief Butler and his family. The Christmas lights are going up and will be on from Thanksgiving to New Year's Eve, with no pageant. A summary from the Kearney County Clean-Up was given.

Agenda item #4, The following items were listed under the agenda item "**consent agenda**" for this meeting:

a. Consider Approval of Minutes of Previous City Council Meetings
b. Consider Approval of Bills & Claims for this Council Meeting
c. Consider Acceptance of Excused Absence of Mayor or Council Member(s)
d. Consider Reports that are Enclosed in the Council Packets for This Council Meeting

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

A. Jordan 32.22, Amazon 494.38, Anderson Bros Ele Inc 1,034.00, Aurora Cooperative 30.13, Baker & Taylor Books 523.93, Black Hills Energy 88.52, Carrot Top Industries 148.98, Cengage/Gale 74.72, Central District Health Dept 708.00, City Of Holdrege Landfill 5,834.41, C. Beck 19.30, Core & Main Lp 5,215.08, Demco 29.45, Emergency Medical Products 420.74, Essential Resource Group Inc 137.00, First Ag Inc 132.17, Fyr-Tek, Inc. 7,954.14, Great Plains Asbestos Control 2,800.00, Hawkins Water Treatment 1,936.48, Intellicom Computer Consulting 7,716.00, Isw 89.57, John Deere Financial 420.81, L. T. Pedley Drug 54.17, Lawson Products, Inc. 83.34, Leroy Tree Service 2,500.00, L. Shrader 79.99, Matheson Tri-Gas Inc 55.75, Mid Nebraska Digging 845.00, Midwest Laboratories 226.30, Midwest Tapes 134.69, Minden Machine Shop Inc 83.48, Napa Auto Parts 408.83, Ne Ag Specialties 58.75, Ne Dept Of Agriculture 175.00, Ne State Treasurer 41.22, Nebraska Library Association 60.00, Nebraska Library Commission 500.00, One Call Concepts Inc 35.74, Platte Valley Communications Of Kearney, Inc. 181.50, Presto X Co. 70.00, Productivity Plus Account 131.84, Proquest Llc 1,467.73, Quadient 481.76, Rek Enterprises Llc 12.87, Rembolt Ludtke Llp 700.00, Sargent Drilling Co. 1,000.00, Share

Corp. 130.53, Southern Power District 67.50, Spectrum Business 1,448.94, The Library Store 237.49, T. Beck 28.00, Titan Machinery Inc 932.62, Usa Blue Book 263.20, Ward Laboratories, Inc 37.00, Wex Bank 2,628.96, Woodward Disposal 3,574.50, Xerox Corporation 151.33.

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

Agenda Item #5, Kearney County Economic Development Agency (KCEDA) update on loan funds by Laurel Thorell.

Thorell stated that there is $27,000 in loanable funds available for businesses. KCEDA has made 28 loans to 21 businesses for a total of $291,000 in Kearney County; separated by cities with $46,000 in Wilcox, $57,000 in Axtell, and $188,000 in Minden.

No action taken.

Agenda Item #6, Consider Selection of Tree Trimmer bid for tree trimming on Brown Avenue from 7th Street to Lexington Street.

There were 4 bids received for the tree trimming along Brown Avenue. Of the 4 bids received Benson Tree Service was the lowest at $12,850. Cederburg stated that this was the most competitive bid he has seen. Residents will be notified of the trimming being done in the areas specified.

Jones motioned to select Benson Tree Service's bid of $12,850 for tree trimming on Brown Avenue from 7th Street to Lexington Street and Carlson seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Jones. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #7, Consider Approval of WWTP gate upgrades for $12,490.

Cederburg explained the need for the project and costs associated with it.

Sumstine motioned to approve the WWTP gate upgrades plus underground electric costs and Jones seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Sumstine, Carlson, and Jones. The following voted nay: Evans. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #8, Status Update on Order of Condemnation for the property located at 531 E. 4th Street, Minden, NE or more particularly described as the West 60' of Lots 1 & 2, Block 35, Original Town, Minden, Kearney County, Nebraska.

Lieske gave an update from Vision Interest on the Condemnation located at 531 E 4th. Vision Interests would like to sell the property as quick as possible for cash. The Order of Condemnation has been filed at the Courthouse on the property. Lieske proposed that the Notice to Proceed will to be added to the next Council Meeting. Tom Taylor of 325 N Hubbard expressed his concerns with this property not being improved.

No action taken.

Agenda Item #9, Consider Approval of Employee Appreciation Turkey/Ham Gift Certificates and Chamber Bucks in the amounts of $100 for full-time and $50 for part-time.

Carlson motioned to approved the Employee Appreciation Turkey/Ham Gift Certificates and Chamber Bucks and Sumstine seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Jones. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #10, Public Comments.

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No comments were made.

Agenda Item #12, Adjournment.

Carlson motioned to adjourn at 6:42 pm and Jones seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Jones. Motion carried.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

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