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Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
June 15, 2020

The City Council of the City of Minden, Nebraska, met on this day at 6:00 p.m. in a regular session via Zoom per Governor Rickett's Executive Order No. 20-003, 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, Bob Carlson, and Roger Jones. The following City Officials were present: Mayor Ted Griess, City Administrator Matt Cederburg, City Attorney Tom Lieske, and City Clerk Abbey Jordan. Absent: Teresa Sumstine.

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 stated a reminder that as of July 1, City Council meetings will be taking place in person in the Council Chambers.

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
e. Consider Special Designated Liquor Permit for Mark Florom DBA Tipsy Cow on Saturday, July 11, 2020 from 4 p.m. to 1 a.m.at the Kearney County Fairgrounds.

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

Jordan 1414.83, Anderson Bros Ele Inc 197.60, Aurora Cooperative 240.20, Black Hills Energy 235.00, C. Mcdowell 30.00, City Of Holdrege Landfill 5736.05, Cooperative Producers, Inc. 611.71, Core & Main Lp 1634.00, Danko Emergency Equip. Co 80.45, D. Larson 30.00, Dollar General-Regions 410526 30.15, Dutton Lainson Co 1119.50, Gary's Auto Repair 274.88, Hawkins Water Treatment 381.80, Intellicom Computer Consulting 2478.24, Isw 77.89, Jims Ok Tire Minden Llc 157.44, Johnson Service Company 1500.00, Landmark Implement Carquest 99.77, Lawson Products, Inc. 806.16, League Of Nebr. Municipalities 420.00, L. Johnson 34.20, Matheson Tri-Gas Inc 79.44, M. Cederburg 9.48, Menards Of Kearney 466.28, Midwest Laboratories 372.55, Midwest Radar & Equipment 160.00, Minden Hardware 373.84, Minden Lumber & Concrete Co. 299.97, Minden Office Supply, Inc 543.78, Napa Auto Parts 406.96, Nppd Kwh 107196.90, Nppd O&M 38289.61, One Call Concepts Inc 47.25, Platte Valley Communications Of Kearney, Inc. 389.91, Quadient 39.00, Quality Sound & Water 588.00, Rek Enterprises Llc 3.42, Solid Waste Agency Landfill 100.00, Southern Power District 79.00, Spectrum Business 1575.69, Travelers 622.00, United States Postal Service 150.00, Usa Communications 50.90, Village Cleaners Inc 216.77, Wagners Irrigation Inc 20.00, Ward Laboratories, Inc 453.25, Wex Bank 3025.81.

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

Agenda Item #5, Consider Approval to apply for a second Downtown Revitalization CDBG grant.

Joene Crocker with Miller and Associates stated that a public hearing would take place in August and submission of the application would be by September 15, 2020. Notice of the award will be announced in November or December of 2020. Bidding of the project would take place in October 2021 with construction starting in 2022. A 25% match will be required for the grant.

Carlson motioned to apply for a second CDBG DTR Grant and Evans seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Carlson, and Jones. Absent: Sumstine. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6, Review of Police Department Oct 2020-Sept 2021 Budget.

Police Chief, Brad Butler spoke about the needed upgrades for the police department. His first concern were cruisers. There is already a State bid for the Tahoe cruisers of $38,000 each with 3 requested. Butler stated that these provide more room for the officer and their equipment and have a higher resale value when the police department is finished with them. Butler provided the rotation of vehicles that will take place after the purchase of the 3 Tahoe's with one being replaced each year beginning in 2025. A total of 3 current cruisers would be surplused: 1998 Ford Explorer, 2008 Ford Explorer, and 2011 Crown Victoria.

Cederburg stated that the oldest cruiser is 2015. There is currently a fleet of 4 with 3 new additions bringing the fleet to 7 vehicles. This would include a new vehicle for a new officer. In the future, the 2015 Ford would be surplused. Butler wishes to have the equipment removed from the 2015 Ford Taurus and use it for travel for training. Griess inquired about how the rotation would work with 3 new vehicles all being bought at the same time. Butler stated that they would be rotated out based on mileage and repairs needed. Cederburg reminded the council and mayor that the City will have an electric car available for use by any city department.

Butler discussed the need for in-car and body cameras. Butler stated that the current in-car cameras are not reliable and that the officers currently do not have body cameras. Butler expressed that the need for the body cameras are a liability concern. The body cameras capture video and audio.

All vehicles would be equipped with necessary emergency equipment of cages, rifle racks, spike strips, etc. New radar units are needed for vehicles. Several have radars that do not work. Radios are also needed. The police software is for the SLEUTH software that is used for state reporting. A potential server may eventually be purchased. Butler would like to have AEDs in each cruiser. The evidence room needs huge improvements to meet standards.

Butler provided needed items for uniforms for all officers including uniforms, jackets, coats, traffic vests, etc. Uniformity among badges is needed. Heavy gloves are needed for animal pickups. Griess inquired about bullet proof vests. Butler stated that all officers just got new bullet proof vests.

Griess stated that this is a large budget request and would like to see the other department's needs before finalizing.

Cederburg stated that the police department will see an increased budget over the next few years, but it is a difficult decision to make as to when everything will be funded. An internal loan for 5 years would be done from the light department if approved. He reviewed the police capital budget which was high for 2020-2021 but was concerned with no capital items for the upcoming 4 years. It has been requested of Butler to thoroughly research his department's needs to eliminate any surprises in the coming years outside of unforeseen repairs. Cederburg fears other surprise expenses for the police dept and recommends approving the cruiser purchases and waiting on the other items until all departments have presented their budget requests.

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The State bid process for vehicles was discussed. Butler stated that dealerships put in bids for specific vehicles and Sid-Dillon out of Wahoo, NE has the bid for the Tahoe.

No action taken.

Agenda Item #7, Consider Approval for Police Department financing.

Griess requested Butler to provide exact numbers for the emergency equipment and uniform needs.

Evans motioned to approve the purchase of 3 vehicles for the Police Department with an internal loan and Jones seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Carlson, and Jones. Absent: Sumstine. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #8, Public Comments. None.

Agenda Item #9, Adjournment.

Jones motioned to adjourn at 7:07 pm and Carlson seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Carlson, and Jones. Absent: Sumstine. Motion carried.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk
(SEAL)