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Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
January 19, 2021

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 and via Zoom per Governor Rickett's Executive Order No. 20-036, 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 Jack Yant. The following City Officials were present: Mayor Ted Griess, City Administrator Matt 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 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 Fire Hall. In addition, for public inspection, there is located on the table on the east side of the Fire Hall, 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 shared that on 1-4-21, everyone was wished a Happy New Year! It was also stated that 2020 was finally over. He urged everyone to remain optimistic for 2021 despite a shaky start. Tomorrow is Inauguration Day and wishes for a peaceful one.

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 149.58, A. Eschliman 40.00, All American Sewer/Drain 1725.00, Amazon Capital Services 1079.97, Aurora Cooperative 11.08, Baker & Taylor Books 133.39, Biblionix 1300.00, Black Hills Energy 1180.36, Cengage/Gale 173.48, Central District Health Dept 153.00, City Of Holdrege Landfill 5333.45, Cooperative Producers,Inc. 332.93, D & M Security 75.00, D. Ehlers 400.00, Eakes Office Plus 119.99, Emergency Medical Products 26.00, Excel Development Group 2400.00, Fireprograms 1822.00, Forrestine Mildfeldt 1200.00, Fyr-Tek, Inc. 110.00, Grayson Tool, Inc 518.00, Greater Nebraska Cities 5000.00, Hawkins Water Treatment 1366.83, Intellicom Computer Consulting 7922.50, Iowa Pump Works, Inc 562.11, Isw 3.43, Carter Electric 172.45, Jims Ok Tire Minden Llc 123.00, J. Hlavinka 119.50, Johnstone Supply 248.49, Joy's Floral & Gifts 205.00, Ke Co Health Payment Cntr 1127.00, L. T. Pedley Drug 83.28, Landmark Implement Carquest 574.44, Matheson Tri-Gas Inc 57.21, Menards Of Kearney 25.98, Midwest Laboratories 1208.30, Midwest Tapes 150.43, Minden Chamber Of Commerce 50.00, Minden Hardware 502.64, Minden Lumber & Concrete Co. 864.96, Minden Office Supply, Inc 589.89, Minden Rural Fire Dept. 1039.17, Minden Rural Fire Dept. 4326.71, Mountain Plains Library

Association 55.00, Napa Auto Parts 159.14, Ne Recycling Council 150.00, Nppd Kwh 136569.88, Nppd O&M 21159.20, Ohio National Life Ins Co 4550.00, Olsson Associates 927.00, One Call Concepts Inc 16.16, Carkoski Construction 7625.00, Presto X Co. 70.00, Quadient 455.34, Raynor Doors Of Ce Ne Inc 135.00, Spectrum Business 1461.54, Structural Bolt Company 479.98, The Hastings Tribune 173.00, The Minden Courier 91.85, Fifth St Printing 275.60, Wex Bank 3980.68, Wpci 306.40.

Griess drew attention to the memo for 531 E. 4th Street. Evans stated himself and Dave Conyers were at the property today. Geraldo is putting new sheeting on the roof. The inside has been gutted down to the studs. New windows have been put in. One window cracked, so it needs replaced. Electrician is going to be there on Wednesday. New breakers have been put in the box.

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

Agenda Item #5, Update on the Water Treatment Plant/Chemical Feed Operations Assistance by Mike Milius, Olsson Associates.

Milius stated the WTP was built in 1969 with several rehabilitations and media replacement. Plant capacity is rated for 2 million per day (MGD). During summer months, the city flows approximately 1.2 to 1.5 MGD and are backwashing every other day. The city flows approximately 300,000 gallons per day in winter months. Filter life should be 2-5 MGD before backwash. The goal of this analysis is to improve filter efficiency to ensure the city has capacity to grow without major capital upgrades, and to achieve a backwash of 1-2 times per week, thus saving water and labor and allowing better treatment.

The key piece is the treatment process. Historically the water is hard with iron and manganese in it. The plant was built to remove this. The water coming in is oxidized making the iron and manganese a particle and then the plant removes the particle from the water through filtering and settling.

The testing showed 2 key pieces. The plant is doing well getting it into the particle form. If the filters are clean, then the water runs clear at the end. Once the filters get clogged, then the particles go through the filter and appear in the water. Currently, we are in round 2B of testing.

Milius believes he will have recommendations on how to make the particles bigger to better able catch them in the filter and help it settle in the settling basin with additional chemicals. Plans to provide the City with direction by March.

The goal is to maximize the time between backwashes.

No action taken.

Agenda Item #6, Consider Approval of resolution for appointment to NMPP Members' Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 1712
Appointment to NMPP Members' Council

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Minden, State of Nebraska, that:

1. Such City of Minden be and hereby is a member of the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool.

2. The City Council of the City of Minden, State of Nebraska, does hereby appoint Abbey Jordan, City Clerk, as the representative* of the City of Minden, State of Nebraska, to the Members' Council of the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool.

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3. The City Council of the City of Minden, State of Nebraska, does hereby appoint (no appointment) as the alternate representative* of the City of Minden, State of Nebraska, to the Members' Council of the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool.

*Pursuant to Article V of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool, "Any person appointed as Representative or Alternate Representative shall be a resident of the area receiving services from the appointing Member."

This is to certify that the appointments set out above were approved by the City Council of the City of Minden, State of Nebraska, at their meeting on January 19, 2021.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

Sumstine motioned to approve Resolution #1712 appointing the NMPP Representative and Evans seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Yant. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #7, Consider Approval of clarification on the appointment of Jeff R. Palik, Class A License number S-1269 A, as the city street superintendent for calendar year 2021, January 1 thru December 31, 2021, for the purpose of the 2021 calendar year Highway Incentive payment, to be issued to the City, by the Nebraska Department of Transportation, in February 2022.

Evans motioned to approve the clarification on the appointment of Jeff R. Palik, Class A License number S-1269 A, as the city street superintendent for calendar year 2021, January 1 thru December 31, 2021, for the purpose of the 2021 calendar year Highway Incentive payment, to be issued to the City, by the Nebraska Department of Transportation, in February 2022. Carlson seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Yant. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #8, Consider Approval of Garber Avenue Underpass Rehabilitation with Larson Brother's for $42,090.

Discussion took place concerning this repair. Evans wanted to ensure Larson Brothers are aware of all requirements BNSF has set forth. Cederburg and Chris Klahn, Street Superintendent, will share the contract with Larson Brothers.

Yant motioned to approve the Garber Avenue Underpass Rehabilitation with Larson Brother's for $42,090 and Sumstine seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Yant. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #9, Consider Approval of Temporary Occupancy Permit with BNSF Railway Company for Garber Avenue Underpass Rehabilitation.

Lieske stated that he had reviewed the contract. It is quite strict as to what can be done as the City and its agent are occupying their property. The City must comply with their insurance requirements. Cederburg confirmed that the City does meet the requirements.

Carlson motioned to approve the Temporary Occupancy Permit with BNSF Railway Company for Garber Avenue Underpass Rehabilitation. Yant seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Yant. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #10, Public Comments.

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No comments made. Sumstine recognized the Police Dept for recovering stolen property. Evans appreciated the police dept's involvement at the schools.

Agenda Item #11, Adjournment.

Evans motioned to adjourn at 6:50 pm and Yant seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, Carlson, and Yant. Motion carried.

/s/ Ted Griess
Ted Griess, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

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