

City of Minden

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Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
March 15, 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. 21-02, 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, 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. Absent: City Council member, Bob Carlson.

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 congratulated the members of the Tree Board for the City of Minden receiving the Tree City USA 2020 designation.

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

A. Jordan 16.11, Amazon Capital Services 472.02, Aurora Cooperative 34.80, Baker & Taylor Books 288.26, Black Hills Energy 1380.59, Blankenau Wilmoth Jarecke Llp 1235.50, Cengage/Gale 50.03, City Of Holdrege Landfill 4328.07, Cooperative Producers, Inc. 1356.34, Core & Main Lp 2341.99, Demco 117.94, Dollar General-Regions 410526 22.90, Electric Pump 173.52, Ellis Wheeler 190.11, Emergency Medical Products 297.08, Hawkins Water Treatment 811.95, Intellicom Computer Consulting 3474.35, Isw 8.96, Jims Ok Tire Minden Llc 199.50, J. Hlavinka 13.00, J. Kuehn 245.00, L. T. Pedley Drug 82.03, Landmark Implement Carquest 1105.68, Mason's Market 6.88, Matheson Tri-Gas Inc 38.96, M. Jordan 36.11, Midwest Laboratories 79.55, Midwest Tapes 74.96, Minden Hardware 557.89, Minden Lumber & Concrete Co. 213.63, Minden Office Supply, Inc 427.84, Napa Auto Parts 293.14, Nppd Kwh 140638.55, Nppd O&M 14726.45, Olsson Associates 3321.50, One Call Concepts Inc 9.98, Penguin Management 774.00, Platte Valley Communications Of Kearney, Inc. 77.75, Presto X Co. 128.00, Southern Power District 107.70, Spectrum Business 81.17, The Minden Courier 28.20, United States Postal Service 245.00, Usa Communications 49.90, Verizon Wireless 652.45, Village Cleaners Inc 329.26, W L Construction Supply Inc 420.00, Witmer Public Safety Group 42.99, Xerox Corporation 150.71.

Evans gave an update to the council of the work completed on 531 E 4th.

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

Agenda Item #5, Consider Approval of Gilmore Bell Disclosure Compliance Services Proposal for \$2,200 per year through June 30, 2025.

Mike Rogers explained the involvement Gilmore Bell will have as bond council doing the annual disclosure requirements. Municipal securities are much less burdensome. Cederburg confirmed that the City will have until June 30th to renew this proposal.

Yant motioned to approve the Gilmore Bell Disclosure Compliance Services Proposal and Evans seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, and Yant. Absent: Carlson. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6, Consider Approval of Ordinance adding Section 82-99 (p), No Parking Area designated on Hillcrest Avenue to the Minden Municipal Code, First Reading.

Evans reviewed the situation and stated that during school hours, there were several empty parking spots in the school's parking lots, yet many were parked along Hillcrest.

Street Superintendent, Chris Klahn, explained the need for the No Parking area along Hillcrest. Cederburg stated that they have been in communication with the school and everyone thought that this would be the best option. Police Chief Butler, explained without an ordinance that the police do not have the power to take action as the cars are legally parked. The council would like to get the opinions of the residents and school administration before the next meeting.

Yant motioned to table the approval of Ordinance adding Section 82-99 (p) on Hillcrest and Evans seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Evans, Sumstine, and Yant. Absent: Carlson. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #7, Consider Approval of Police Policy Changes listed below.

Griess stated the legality of bringing this to the City Council is being researched. This was tabled.

Agenda Item #8, Public Comments.

Yant asked why the council is not meeting in the Chambers? It was stated that the Fire Hall allows for social distancing.

Yant asked about the parking of the city car? Cederburg pointed out that the charger is dual charging and that the two cars can be charged at a time.

Yant stated that the gutter in front of the parking lot at St. John's Church has deteriorated. Street Superintendent, Chris Klahn stated that he would take a look at it.

Jack Yant stated that there are cars that drive on the wrong side of the square, it was asked of other ways to mark the street to drive on? Cederburg stated the City would look into the situation.

Jack Yant asked why the Christmas lights were still up? Cederburg stated that they usually come down in March or April depending on the weather.

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Jack Yant asked about a requested item for closed session and would like the council to be made aware of these situations. Mayor Griess stated the item was under investigation and could not be discussed with an update at a future date.

Agenda Item #13, Adjournment.

Yant motioned to adjourn at 7:05 pm and Sumstine 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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