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Minutes of Council Meeting City of Minden, Nebraska September 24, 2024

The City Council of the City of Minden, Nebraska, met on this day 9-24-2024 at 6:00 p.m. in special session in the Council Chambers, pursuant to advance notice of said meeting simultaneously transmitted to all members of the Council on 9-19-24 and to the public as shown by the copy thereof posted on 9-19-24 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. The notice of public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget was published in the Minden Courier on 9-19-24.

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Teresa Sumstine, Jack Yant, Alyssa Schneider. One seat on the North Ward is vacant. The following City Officials were present: City Attorney Andrew Olson, Mayor Larry Evans, City Clerk Administrator Michael Krings, and City Clerk Abbey Jordan. No one was present for the public.

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

After roll was called, Mayor Evans led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Then Evans 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 council will take comments on an agenda item, not related to a public hearing, during the public forum only. Please state your name and address prior to commenting.”

Agenda Item #3, Public Forum. No comments were made.

Agenda item #4, CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Consider Approval of Minutes of Previous City Council Meetings
- b. Consider Approval of Bills & Claims for this Council Meeting
- c. Consider Approval of Cafeteria Plan Reimbursements for this Council Meeting
- d. Consider Acceptance of Excused Absence of Mayor or Council Member(s)

Minden Rural Fire Dept—Fees \$14,290.14, E. Cline—Dependent Care Reimbursement \$520.08, 9-20-24 Payroll \$71,728.93.

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

Agenda Item #5, Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget.

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Olson opened the public hearing at 6:02 pm. Three copies of the proposed budget statement were available for the public. No one spoke in favor of or against the proposed budget as there was no public in attendance. The hearing was closed at 6:02 pm.

Jordan gave an overview of the budget highlighting the capital expenditures included and the major changes made since the last budget presentation to the Council. Krings stated overall the operating budget dropped by 23% contributing a majority of it to the completion of Minden West Estates II. The property tax request went up 3%, but the overall levy is lowered due to a street bond being paid off.

Evans added the budget is 23% less than the prior year due to several projects being completed during the current budget year including Minden West Estates II, splashpad, tennis & pickleball courts, water tower improvements, and the Gun Club utilities.

Agenda Item #6, Adjournment

Sumstine motioned to adjourn at 6:17 pm and Schneider seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Sumstine, Yant, and Schneider. Meeting adjourned.

/s/ Larry Evans
Larry Evans, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Abbey Jordan
Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

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