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Minutes of Council Meeting
City of Minden, Nebraska
February 2, 2026

The City Council of the City of Minden, Nebraska, met on this day at 6:00 p.m. in regular session in the Council Chambers, 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 Evans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: David Bunger, Teresa Sumstine, Jack Yant and Alyssa Schneider. The following City Officials were present: Mayor Larry Evans, City Administrator Michael Krings, and City Clerk Abbey Jordan. Absent: City Attorney Andrew Olson.

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 Mayor 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.
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> 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, Council Announcements. Bunger thanked City Employees for their work on the main break. Krings stated that on Tuesday night there was a water main that had broke under the highway. The utilities crew had to shut off the water, empty the water tower, and hire a company to do a live tap to add a shut off. It is fixed and the hole should be filled in early this week and lanes should be open again soon. Evans said that there was a good turnout at the open house for Zu Haus Flats. Krings confirmed that there is a tenant that is now living there.

Agenda Item #4, Public Forum.

Agenda item #5, CONSENT AGENDA

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. Christensen--Training $70.00, A. Eschliman--Training $21.00, B & S Painting & Powerwashing--Repairs $496.80, Black Hills Gas Holdings, Llc--Utilities $1,214.86, Bound Tree Medical Llc--Supplies $1,147.74, Business World Products Of Hastings, Inc--Supplies $46.32, Capital One--Supplies $1,846.57, Ccmobl Inc--Cleaning $577.80, City Of Hastings--Fees $254.25, City Of Hastings--Scales--Membership $1,000.00, Coby Bryant--Repairs $183.25, Core & Main Lp--Supplies $3,922.05, Eakes Inc--Supplies $1,022.56, Great Plains Communications--Phone/Internet $1,077.71, Great Plains Communications--Phone/Internet $100.78, Hawkins Water Treatment--Chemical $3,779.32, Hd Supply Facilities Maintenance Ltd--Supplies $76.95, Iimc--Membership $330.00, Isw--Supplies $78.40, J. Hlavinka--Training $62.00, K&K Auto Repair Inc--Repairs $267.43, Ke Co Treasurer--Fees $6,033.33, Kt Diesel & Equipment--Repairs $1,114.88, Landmark Implement Carquest--Supplies $340.55,

Landmark Implement Inc--Supplies $26.72, M. Raffaeli--Cleaning $196.88, Minden Exchange Bank & Trust C--Financing $6,050.40, Minden Utility Dept.--Utilities $4,770.56, Municipal Supply-Nebraska--Supplies $2,843.05, Ndee--Training $275.00, Ne Water Environment Assoc--Training $1,100.00, Nphe--Fees $18.00, Olsson Associates--Tech/Engineering $3,662.77, Police Chief's Association Of Nebraska--Membership $120.00, Pony Express Ford--Repairs $89.35, Presto X Co.--Maintenance $178.18, Revenue Bond Payment Account--Fees $2,000.00, Revenue Bond Payment Account--Fees $8,950.00, Revenue Bond Payment Account--Fees $2,525.00, Sayler Screenprinting Llc--Uniforms $461.75, Siteone Landscape Supply Holding, Llc--Supplies $55.14, Subsurface Solutions--Maintenance $1,252.30, Syndicate Publishing, L.L.C.--Fees $234.34, T. Holsten--Training $70.00, United Parcel Service, Inc--Fees $15.52, United States Postal Service --Fees $691.66, Verizon Wireless--Phone/Internet $769.58, 1-23-26 Payroll $68,051.99.

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

Agenda Item #6, Consider approval of agreement with Miller & Associates for the Leadership Community Recertification Process for $5,500.

Sumstine motioned to approve the agreement with Miller & Associates for the Leadership Community Recertification Process for $5,500 and Schneider seconded. Krings stated that every five years you have to apply to be a certified leadership community and that this will keep us eligible for state funding and grants. On roll call, the following voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, Yant, and Schneider. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #7, Consider approval of a resolution directing the sale of surplus property with a fair market value of less than $5,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 1829

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, NEBRASKA.

WHEREAS, the City of Minden does have in its possession certain property deemed to be surplus property to the City, with a fair market value of less than $5,000, and wishes to dispose of this property; and

WHEREAS, State Statute 17-503.02 allows for the sale of surplus personal property by posting the sale in three prominent places within the City for a period of not less than seven days prior to the sale; and

WHEREAS, the City of Minden will sell the surplus items via public auction and the City of Minden staff may dispose of any items not bid on during the public auction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Minden that the following City property is declared surplus and will be sold for at least the minimum value of $1. All units sold without any warranty or any expressed warranty.

- 1982 Ford Elliot Bucket Truck VIN: 1DPF8248CVA47146
- 2004 Ford Crown Victoria VIN: 2FAP71W84X142322
- John Deere 1140 Tractor
- Case Roller
- Gehl Roller
- Sweepster Front Mount Sweeper

- Perkins Engine
- (2) fuel tanks
- John Deere F932 mower
- John Deere Front Mount Snow Blower
- Various trailers & axels
- Various used irrigation pipe
- Various wood used electrical poles
- Metal portable loading dock

Council member Bunger moved for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution. Council member Yant seconded the motion. On roll call, the following voted Aye: Bunger, Sumstine, Yant, and Schneider. Nay: none.

PASSED and APPROVED this 2nd day of February 2026.

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Larry Evans, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Abbey Jordan, City Clerk

Bunger motioned to approve Resolution 1829 directing the sale of surplus property with a fair market value of less than $5,000 and Yant seconded. Krings stated that in order for the City to get rid of equipment, the Council will need to approve the surplus auction of items and disposal if not bid on. Krings stated that this will help clean up city property that has been in the trees between the street and wastewater departments. Yant asked if this would be an in person or online auction. Krings said that he believed that it would be online only. Sumstine asked about a disclaimer about possible chemicals on the poles. Krings stated that he would get with Rusty to see about adding that. On roll call, the following voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, Yant, and Schneider. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #8, Consider selection of bid for a shelter at Chautauqua Park.

Yant motioned to approve Morton Buildings to install a park shelter at Chautauqua Park in the amount of $34,985 and Schneider seconded. Krings stated this has been in discussion for a while now. With the funds received from ACE, natural gas selection. Krings stated this project is funded by the funds received from residents who choose ACE in the natural gas selection process. Over the past 4 years, the city has received approximately $20,000 and set it aside for this project. This is the only park that does not have a park shelter. He said that the least expensive shelter bid by Premier Buildings also built the less robust shelter at the new RV Campground. Morton's shelter is a little bigger than the Premier Buildings shelter, but it is smaller than the shelters at other city parks. Electrical is not included in the bid, so the City would need handle that. The City's Parks, Tree, and Cemetery Board met previously and wanted the shelter to be located on the north side by the parking area. Bunger requested to have 2 electrical circuits for use. Sumstine asked if there could be a sidewalk that could lead to this? It was confirmed that this could be looked into. On roll call, the following voted aye: Sumstine, Bunger, Yant, and Schneider. Motion carried.

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Agenda Item #9, Adjournment

Yant motioned to adjourn at 6:13 p.m. and Bunger seconded. On roll call, the following voted aye: Bunger, Sumstine, Yant and Schneider. Meeting adjourned.

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Larry Evans, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Abbey Jordan, City Clerk
(SEAL)