

MINUTES-September 21, 2020
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS-
1111 AVE E, WISNER, NEBRASKA 68791

The City Council of the City of Wisner, Nebraska met in regular session in the Council Chambers at the City offices in Wisner, Nebraska, on Monday, September 21, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. according to the notice published in the Wisner News Chronicle issue of September 16, 2020, a copy of proof of publication is attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting and the agenda were mailed or emailed to the Mayor and all members of the City Council. A true copy of their signed acknowledgement of the receipt of the advance notice of this meeting and the agenda is filed in the office of the City Clerk/Treasurer. An agenda for the meeting was kept continuously current, and was available for public inspection at the City offices three days before the meeting date. Agenda subjects were contained at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting. Mayor Chad Dixon presided and the City Clerk/Treasurer recorded the proceedings of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the general public.

Mayor Chad Dixon called the meeting to order, and announced the location of the posted Open Meeting Act, pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.

Present on the roll call: Cathy Gobar, Barry Meyer, Chris Liermann, and Mayor Chad Dixon. Staff present: Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Stephanie James, City Clerk/Treasurer; Jonathan Brandow, Care Center Administrator; and Becky Jones, Care Center Office Manager.

Absent: Terry Soden.

AGENDA ITEM NO 1 – CONSENT AGENDA – AGENDA, MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2020, AND CARE CENTER, CITY, & CITY/RURAL FIRE BOARD AUGUST 2020 FINANCIAL REPORT. Moved by Gobar and seconded by Liermann to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – WISNER CARE CENTER AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FY ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 – ALMQUIST MALTZAHN GALLOWAY & LUTH, CPA'S. Marcy Luth presented the auditor's report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 through a zoom video conference. She highlighted several areas of the report, including summary statement of net position, revenues, expenses, adjustments made by auditors, capital assets, and outstanding long term debt. She explained that the Care Center is doing well with the CARES Act Provider Relief Grant and the Payroll Protection Program loan. After discussion, moved by Meyer and seconded by Gobar to approve the audit report as presented. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – REVOLVING LOAN FUND – INITIAL ASSESSMENT. Ken Halvorsen with the Nebraska Rural Water Association was present at tonight's meeting to go over the assessment. Mr. Halvorsen stated that the assessment was supposed to be completed at the start of our project. Due to Covid-19 the assessment questionnaire was completed over the phone and through emails. When the project is completed there will be a follow-up assessment. Mr. Halvorsen said that Wisner is doing things very well. This assessment is designed to

identify issues surrounding the financial and managerial capacities of a water system. When negative responses are encountered, clarification must be obtained to understand the situation. This clarification should accurately be recorded on a separate sheet with the corresponding question number. Therefore, the City of Wisner had four questions that have recommendations attached to them. The four questions were numbers 32, 105, 111, and 113 that need to be reviewed. Mayor Dixon asked about the percentage of water loss which was recorded to be at 34%. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent stated that with the new water mains, the contractors had to do a lot of flushing of the lines with the new mains. No action needed for this agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – WASTEWATER OPERATOR – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ALLOW CITY OF WISNER OPERATORS OPERATE AT BEEMER'S PLANT. Mayor Dixon tables this agenda item at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – DINKLAGE FOUNDATION – GRANT APPLICATION TO REQUEST FUNDING FOR WISNER RURAL FIRE DISTRICT. Moved by Meyer and seconded by Liermann to approve the Dinklage Foundation Grant request and to forward it onto the Dinklage Foundation. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – D. SALMEN. Doug Salmen, Chief of Police, presented the monthly police activities report to the mayor and council.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 - BUILDING PERMITS. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated he has one permit for this time frame at 1509 Ave E for a temporary wheelchair ramp.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, COMMENTS BY COUNCIL, CITY OFFICIALS AND GENERAL PUBLIC.

- A. Mr. Woldt shared that they are getting ready to fix some concrete on park road.
- B. Russ Schultz asked where we are at on the contract for the water tower. Mayor Dixon said the governing agency lost the paperwork so everything had to be resubmitted. Mr. Schultz asked if the well and the water tower be placed on the same piece of property. Mayor Dixon said that committee will get together and get something figured out for the well. The City is working on a test well site.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 - MOTION TO ADJOURN TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2020, AT 7:00 PM. At 7:56 PM moved by Gobar and seconded by Liermann that the City Council adjourn to October 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM in regular session, in the Council Chambers at the City Office. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk/Treasurer