

MINUTES-December 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, December 21, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. according to the notice published in the Wisner News Chronicle issue of December 16, 2020, a copy of proof of publication is attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was posted in three public place which are the Wisner Post Office, Wisner Public Library, and the Wisner City Office. 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, Terry Soden, Barry Meyer, and Jay Meyer. Staff present: Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Stephanie James, City Clerk/Treasurer; and Jonathan Brandow, Care Center Administrator via Zoom.

AGENDA ITEM NO 1 – CONSENT AGENDA – AGENDA, MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2020, & CARE CENTER, CITY, & CITY/RURAL FIRE BOARD NOVEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL REPORT. Moved by Soden and seconded by Gobar to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – WATER – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REHAB OF 67-1 WELL. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated that the contract that is with Myers Constructions on the well up by Tom Feller's, since the well is not good, Mr. Woldt would like to move the contract over into rehabbing well 67-1 on the corner of 17th Street and Avenue H. The well needs a new pump. The well could also use a voltage change. When they pull the well they will camera the casing and check it over also. If the casing looks like it is leaking they will inject concrete down along-side the casing to hopefully help with the selenium and nitrate issues. This well has been running between six to seven for nitrates, which is pretty close to the other well. There is a possibility of having to build a treatment facility. Mayor Dixon asked what the likelihood of the injection of concrete in the casing working. It has worked in other towns and they also see that using the well more it also reducing the selenium as well. Mr. Woldt said at one time Sargent Drilling could rehab the well through the winter and could be done by April.

Mayor Dixon asked what can we do with the well we can't use. Owen Killham with Olsson said it could be sold for an irrigation well. Other discussion was held on other areas in town where a

new well could be located. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to approve rehabbing well 67-1. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – MEET & GREET WITH JEO CONSULTING GROUP. Viv Novotny introduced herself along with Roger Protzman. They each told the council and mayor a little bit about themselves and what they do at JEO Consulting Group along with what JEO has to offer. JEO has over two hundred and fifty employees and have been around for over eighty years. Mayor Dixon stated on how they arrived at the decision to bring JEO back to Wisner. Mayor Dixon said Mr. Woldt and him talked and that Olsson has done a lot of good work for Wisner and felt JEO's proximity to Wisner is closer and would save the city some money on travel.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – CITY OF WISNER EMPLOYEE – PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME STATUS. Mr. Woldt recommends that Gary Clark be moved to full-time status from part-time and give him a \$3.00 raise and to waive his six-month probationary period. He has worked for the city for almost two years and has proved himself in that time span. Moved by Gobar and seconded by Soden to make Gary Clark a full-time employee and to give him a \$3.00 raise and to waive his six-month probationary period. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – AUTHORIZE CLERK/TREASURER TO RENEW CD #5351 COMBINED UTILITIES BOND REVENUE. Moved by Barry and seconded by Soden to move the CD to Midwest for twelve months at a rate of .16% interest. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – RESOLUTION NO. 2020-19 – YEAR-END CERTIFICATION OF CITY STREET SUPERINTENDENT FORM 2020. This resolution is to certify to the State of Nebraska that Dave Ziska with Olsson served as the City of Wisner's Street Superintendent in 2020. Mayor Dixon asked what the incentive payment is each year. The City Clerk said it is \$3,000.00 each year. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to approve Resolution No. 2020-19. Roll call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – D. SALMEN. Doug Salmen, Chief of Police, presented the monthly police activities report to the mayor and council. Some discussion was held.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - BUILDING PERMITS. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated he has two, one at Elkhorn Logan Valley Public Health to build an addition on the back for storage and at the new Wisner Apothecary to put up a sign.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 - COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, COMMENTS BY COUNCIL, CITY OFFICIALS AND GENERAL PUBLIC.

- A. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated that they started today with putting electrical service in at the Crown Project. Mr. Woldt stated they are moving right along with the nice weather we have been having. Mr. Woldt said for the south eight houses, all the services will be trenched to them by tomorrow. The transformers won't be here for another three to four weeks. There was talk about getting temporary service so they can still work on the houses.
- B. Mayor Dixon said letters were sent to the governor and state senators regarding the completion of the expressway. Mayor Dixon feels that it had some decent affects,

the governor replied and the senators have made comments on the letters they have received. Mayor Dixon said the completion of the expressway on both sides of Wisner will be beneficial so that cars are not using our town as a race way. Mayor Dixon also said that he feels that more families will move to Wisner to live and will then commute to work.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 - MOTION TO ADJOURN TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2021, AT 7:00 PM. At 7:35 PM moved by Gobar and seconded by Barry that the City Council adjourn to January 4, 2021 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