

MINUTES-June 20, 2022
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, June 20, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. according to the notice published in the Wisner News Chronicle issue of June 16, 2022, a copy of proof of publication is attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was posted in three public places 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 Pro Tempore Catherine Gobar 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 Pro Tempore Gobar 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. Mayor Pro Tempore Gobar also announced that this meeting is being recorded.

Present on the roll call: Cathy Gobar, Terry Soden, Barry Meyer, and Jay Meyer. Staff present: Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent and Stephanie James, City Clerk/Treasurer, Jonathan Brandow, Wisner Care Center Administrator, and Officer Tiffany McLean, Wisner Police Department.

Absent: Mayor Chad Dixon.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – CONSENT AGENDA – AGENDA, MINUTES OF THE JUNE 6, 2022 REGULAR MEETING, & CARE CENTER, CITY, & CITY/RURAL FIRE BOARD MAY 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT. Moved by Barry and seconded by Soden to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – WISNER CARE CENTER – REVIEW OF FY 2022-2023 BUDGET. Jonathan Brandow, Wisner Care Center Administrator answered a few of the council's questions on a few budget lines that they had. The council and Mr. Brandow went over a few line items such as salaries and Medicare reimbursements. Mr. Brandow explained the expense side of the budget. Mr. Brandow explained to the council how his work in Stanton is taken care of when the Care Center pays him and how the Stanton nursing home reimburses the salaries. With some of the changes made in the general ledger codes done about a year ago, some salary departments have been changed and are in the same codes so the budgeted amounts are higher. Mr. Brandow stated that there is an increase in salaries to keep up with the market in the nursing side. Mr. Brandow has factored in some increases but stated that they will still be lower than some area nursing homes. Mr. Brandow is hoping to be under budget for agency staffing. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to schedule a public hearing for 7:05 PM on July 5, 2022 to approve the FY 2022-2023 Wisner Care Center budget. Roll call: Ayes: Soden,

Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Councilman Soden asked how the VA portion at the Care Center works. Mr. Brandow explained to him how it works.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – WATER TOWER PROJECT – CHANGE ORDER FOR 50% OF MATERIAL COSTS INCREASE. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to table this agenda item until the contractor has the information needed to approve this item. Roll call: Jay, Barry, Soden, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – WISNER TRAILS PROJECT – CHANGE ORDER #002 FOR CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE. This change order will actually decrease our costs by \$11,396.62. Moved by Soden and seconded by Jay to approve change order #002 for change in contract price which is decreasing it by \$11,396.62. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – OLSSON LETTER OF AGREEMENT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE STUDY OF ALTERNATIVE SEWER ROUTE FOR GRANDVIEW ADDITION. Attached to these minutes is a map of an estimate of what Olsson's will look at for an alternative route for the sewer line for the Grandview Addition. By signing this agreement, it will give Olsson's permission to look into this possible route for the sewer line. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to sign the Olsson's Letter of Agreement for the approval of a study for an alternate sewer route for the Grandview Addition. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – AUTHORIZE CLERK/TREASURER TO RENEW CD'S #2696 COMBINED UTILITIES BOND, #2697 ELECTRIC SINKING, #2698 ENTERPRISE SINKING, #2699 GAS, & #2700 GAS. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to go six months with Pinnacle Bank at a rate of 0.875%. Councilman Barry stated that the feds are predicting eight more hikes in interest rates in the next year. Roll call: Ayes: Soden, Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – RESOLUTION NO. 2022-6 – TO AUTHORIZE MEMBERSHIP IN THE LEAGUE INSURANCE GOVERNMENT HEALTH TEAM (LIGHT). The League of Nebraska Municipalities have work to get an insurance pool for all cities in Nebraska to join if they would like. The savings for the City of Wisner is between \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 a month in savings for the city. By approving this resolution, gives the city permission to sign the interlocal agreement and membership agreement with the League of Nebraska. Moved by Barry and seconded by Soden to approve Resolution No. 2022-6 to authorize the membership in the League Insurance Government Health Team (LIGHT). Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Soden, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – FEMA-NEMA GRANT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DESIGNATE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE. Al Vacanti is working on this grant for the City of Wisner for a generator for the Wisner Care Center. Moved by Gobar and seconded by Jay to designate Randy as the authorized representative for this grant. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – AUTHORIZE NEXT REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2022 DUE TO 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY. Moved by Soden and seconded by Barry to authorize the next regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 due to the 4th of

July Holiday. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 – MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – D. SALMEN. Doug Salmen, Chief of Police, made available the monthly police activities report to the mayor and council. Officer Tiffany McLean was at tonight’s meeting to answer any questions. Office McLean stated that the State Legislature passed LB1241. This bill made it for the state to set aside about five million dollars into an officer retention account. Some of these funds will go to officers that stay in the field with three step increases. One set for 2023 then in 2025, and the last one in 2027. The funds will also cover state agencies to apply for funding. Officer McLean that a lot of agencies are offering lateral transfers, which means that a certified officer can go to a different agency and start where they were with their benefits. Office McLean said as of right now the computers in the cop cars are working.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 - BUILDING PERMITS. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated he has two at this time. One at 1318 Ave F to replace the driveway and sidewalks. The last one is at Lot A of the Feller East Addition for the new Cuming County Roads building.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 - COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, COMMENTS BY COUNCIL, CITY OFFICIALS AND GENERAL PUBLIC.

- A. Mr. Woldt stated that they will be busy this week with the livestock show this weekend. Mr. Woldt said that he has ordered new beams for the scoreboard. The city will put up the scoreboards. The beams are \$14,000.00. Jason Schweers was going to go out and do some more fundraising to help pay for the beams.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 - MOTION TO ADJOURN TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2022, AT 7:00 PM. At 7:41 PM moved by Barry and seconded by Gobar that the City Council adjourn to meet in regular session on July 5, 2022 at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers at the City Office. Roll call: Ayes: Soden, Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk/Treasurer