

MINUTES-September 19, 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, September 19, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. according to the notice published in the Wisner News Chronicle issue of September 15, 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. Council President 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.

Council President 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. Council President 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.

Absent on the roll call: Mayor Chad Dixon.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – 6:00 PM PUBLIC HEARING – SET FINAL TAX REQUEST. Council President Gobar opened the public hearing at 6:01 PM to set the final tax request for the City of Wisner at \$336,692.59. There were no questions or comments from the public or council. Council President Gobar closed the public hearing at 6:02 PM.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – 6:05 PM PUBLIC HEARING – CITY GENERAL & ENTERPRISE FUNDS BUDGET FY 2022-23. Council President Gobar opened the public hearing at 6:05 PM for the General and Enterprise funds budget for fiscal year 2022-2023. Council President Gobar invites questions or comments from the public and council at this time. With no questions or comments from the council and no public in attendance besides the Wisner News Chronicle, Council President Gobar closed the public hearing at 6:07 PM.

City Council Members paused until 7:00 PM for the regular council meeting.

Council President 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. Council President 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.

Absent on the roll call: Mayor Chad Dixon.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – CONSENT AGENDA – AGENDA, MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 REGULAR MEETING, MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING, CARE CENTER, CITY, & CITY/RURAL FIRE BOARD AUGUST 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 – RESOLUTION NO. 2022-12 – SET FINAL TAX REQUEST. Moved by Soden and seconded by Jay to approve Resolution No. 2022-12 that will set the final tax request at \$336,692.59. Roll call: Ayes: Soden, Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – ORDINANCE NO. 2022-1172 – ADOPT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES. Councilman Barry introduced Ordinance No. 2022-1172, entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WISNER, CUMING COUNTY, NEBRASKA. TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENTS FOR GENERAL, ENTERPRISE, AND CARE CENTER; TO BE ENTITLED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL, TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AND PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM, and move that the statutory rule requiring readings on three different days be suspended. Councilman Soden second said motion. Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Soden, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. The motion to suspend the rule was adopted by the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance. Ordinance No 2022-1172 was then read by title. Council President Gobar then stated the question: "Shall Ordinance No. 2022-1172 be passed and adopted?", and thereafter Councilman Barry moved for final passage and Councilman Soden second said motion. Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Soden, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The passage and adoption having been approved by the Council, the Council President declared Ordinance No. 2022-1172 adopted and in the presence of the Council signed and approved the Ordinance. The Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto. A true, correct, and complete copy of said ordinance is as follows: Copy attached hereto becomes part of these minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – WISNER WATER TOWER PROJECT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CHANGE ORDER #3. Randy Woldt said that it was originally planned to move the equipment from the current booster to the new tower and now finding out that the equipment is out dated. To do the process right, a change order needs to be approved in the amount of \$6,848.00, said Mr. Woldt. Moved by Barry and seconded by Gobar to approve change order #3 in the amount of \$6,848.00 to update the equipment in the old

booster station to the new water tower. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – DINKLAGE GRANT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE WISNER RURAL FIRE DISTRICT’S GRANT APPLICATION. The grant is for a new pumper truck. Councilman Barry asked if this is something that the city has approved before for a new fire truck. The city has approved an ambulance and a tanker truck in the recent few years. Councilman Soden asked if the fire department has thought about asking the Nielsen Foundation for assistance. A fire truck was paid for by the Nielsen Foundation. The pumper truck will be made by Heiman. Moved by Jay and seconded by Barry to approve the Dinklage Application as submitted by the Wisner Rural Fire District and to pass it along to the Dinklage Foundation for final approval. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – DINKLAGE GRANT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CUB SCOUT PACK 182 GRANT APPLICATION. It has been a while since the Cub Scout Pack 182 has requested funding from the Dinklage Foundation. It was stated in the application that unfortunately, during the past couple of years, the pack was unable to do door-to-door popcorn sales due to health concerns and that has greatly affected the finances of the pack. Moved by Barry and seconded by Soden to approve the the Dinklage Application as submitted by the Cub Scout Pack 182 and to pass it along to the Dinklage Foundation for final approval. Roll call: Ayes: Soden, Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – DINKLAGE GRANT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE WISNER SPLASH PAD COMMITTEE’S GRANT APPLICATION. Councilwoman Gobar stated that it was discussed in depth at the previous meeting. Becky McGuire, Splash Pad Committee Member stated that it is the same budget numbers as discussed last meeting. Moved by Barry and seconded by Gobar to approve the Dinklage Application as submitted by the Wisner Splash Pad Committee and to pass it along to the Dinklage Foundation for final approval. Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Soden, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – D. SALMEN. Doug Salmen, Chief of Police, made available the monthly police activities report to the mayor and council. Chief Salmen is out on vacation and didn’t have a police report ready for this meeting and will have two months for the second regular meeting in October.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 - BUILDING PERMITS. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated he had no permits at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 - COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, COMMENTS BY COUNCIL, CITY OFFICIALS AND GENERAL PUBLIC.

- A. Councilman Soden asked about the progress on the water tower. Mr. Woldt said he thought they were supposed to be here last week and have not been here yet. Some guys were here doing some work. Mr. Woldt will give Owen with Olsson a call to check in to see where they are at. Councilman Soden also asked about the Grandview Addition Project regarding the dirt work. WCD will need to take care of the sale of the left-over dirt.

- B. Mr. Woldt stated that they have started doing work where the new Midwest Bank will be located. They removed the light poles and abandoned the old sewer lines that went to the old buildings that were there. The light poles are going up along the trail in the park as well. There will be twenty-eight light poles along the trail. Councilwoman Gobar said that it will be safe with the lighting around the trail. Councilman Barry asked about putting cameras up also. Mr. Woldt said he has some numbers from some outfits that can place cameras on the poles.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 - MOTION TO ADJOURN TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022, AT 7:00 PM. At 7:15 PM moved by Barry and seconded by Soden that the City Council adjourn to meet in regular session on October 3, 2022 at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers at the City Office. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Soden, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk/Treasurer