

Minutes – February 6, 2023

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, February 6, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. according to the notice published in the Wisner News Chronicle issue of February 2, 2023, a copy of the 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. The mayor 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 Soden called the meeting to order and announced the location of the posted Open Meetings Act, pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. Mayor Soden also announced that this meeting is being recorded.

Present on the roll call: Cathy Gobar, Barry Meyer, Jay Meyer, & Mayor Terry Soden. Staff present: Stephanie James, City Clerk/ Treasurer, Jonathan Brandow, Wisner Care Center Administrator, & Doug Salmen, Wisner Police Chief.

Absent on the roll call: LJ Parker.

AGENDA ITEM NO 1 – CONSENT AGENDA – AGENDA, MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17, 2023 REGULAR MEETING & CARE CENTER, CITY, AND CITY/RURAL FIRE BOARD ACCOUNTS PAYABLES FOR FEBRUARY 2023. Moved by Barry and seconded by Jay to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: Parker. Motion carried. Care Center payable total - \$114,193.27, and net payroll total for January - \$158,300.76, City payable total - \$286,693.09 and net payroll total for January - \$56,558.28, and City/Rural Fire Board payable total - \$38,246.27, be approved and allowed; and those warrants be drawn for their payment; and the City Clerk/ Treasurer publish said claims according to law; and an itemized account be kept on file in the office of the Wisner Care Center and Wisner City Office for public inspection. A copy of the signed acknowledgement of receipt and approval of each is attached to these minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – WATER TREATMENT PLANT – DISCUSSION REGARDING THE TREATMENT PLANT – ROGER PROTZMAN, JEO. Mr. Protzman was in attendance at tonight's meeting and handed out a comparison sheet. Mr. Protzman stated that the biggest

question from last meetings discussion was if the City of Wisner did the reverse osmosis treatment plant would the city have to run the reject water into the sewer treatment plant or can it be discharged into the environment. JEO consulted with the State of Nebraska, there are four towns in Nebraska that have a reverse osmosis treatment plants, which are Seward, Creighton, Elmwood, and Hastings. Out of the four, two of them discharge their reject water into the environment, one discharges into their sewer plant, and the other town has a unique set up. They can discharge their reject water into a man-made lagoon or their treatment plant. Mr. Protzman went on to state that looking at our current situation and our possible location of the treatment plant (along 18th Street), the nearest place we could discharge the water would be south of Wisner West. We would have to get the water under the highway and south of the department of roads ditch. They will not let us discharge our reject water in their ditch. Councilman Barry stated that he put out some feelers to some individuals to use the water for irrigation and there is some interest. Mr. Protzman stated that we would need a really big lagoon to store the water in until it is needed then. All of that cost is unknown right now. Mr. Protzman stated that they updated the cost to the users with discharging the reject water under the highway and getting it over to the ditch south of Wisner West and it came out to \$21.73 per month per users compared to having it be treated at the sewer treatment plant at \$25.99 per month per user going with the Ion Exchange plant. Mr. Protzman said the next step is to get with Randy and Stephanie to get the finances figure out a little more. Councilwoman Gobar asked if there is a flood again like we had a few years back, would this back it up. Mr. Protzman said we would pump it there, it will be high enough, it will get out. Mr. Protzman answered a few questions from a resident. Discussion was held on how the storm sewer drains on the west side of town. With this treatment plant option, residents that have water softeners may not need them anymore. A copy of the handout from Mr. Protzman is attached to these minutes. No action taken at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – RESOLUTION NO. 2023-1 – CLOSURE OF STATE HIGHWAY FOR SPECIAL EVENT – MARCH 18TH – ST. PATRICK’S DAY CELEBRATION. Moved by Barry and seconded by Gobar to approve Resolution No. 2023-1 closure of state highway for special event – March 18th – St. Patrick’s Day celebration. Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: Parker. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4. – SPLASH PAD COMMITTEE – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SPLASH PAD. David Branch with Cuming County Economic Development and Becky McGuire, splash pad committee member was available at tonight’s meeting to discuss where they were at on the funding for the splash pad. Mr. Branch handed out a preliminary budget for the cost of the splash pad and a list of funds received to pay for the splash pad. The committee is hoping to get the splash pad built for \$650,825.00 but if they are not able to, they have a couple of other grants they can apply for to get the rest of the funding. Councilman Barry asked how soon they would be letting bids out. Mr. Branch stated as soon as they could. Mr. Protzman asked how soon do they want to get going on the design, do you want to wait till Game and Parks gives the okay to start or start sooner than that. Mr. Branch stated he is going to make a phone call to get that answered but would like to start as soon as possible. Mr. Protzman gave the council a timeline on the project. Moved by Barry and

seconded by Gobar to approve the building of the splash pad at Central Park. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: Parker. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – AUTHORIZE NEXT REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023, DUE TO PRESIDENT’S DAY HOLIDAY. Moved by Gobar and seconded by Jay to authorize the next regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, due to President’s Day holiday. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: Parker. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – UTILITY BILLING – REPORT ON RECEIVABLES. Stephanie James, City Clerk/Treasurer, stated that as of tonight’s meeting, the past due amount is at \$2,213.80.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – REVIEW BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated he has no building permits at this time.

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

- A. Mr. Branch stated that the Community for Kids has given a contract and grant to the community to do a study about day care and development. They are wanting to get these surveys out as quickly as possible. Mr. Branch is asking if they could put an insert into the City’s next utility bill. It will not be the actual survey; it will be a sheet with a link and a QR code to the survey. Mrs. James stated that this would not be an issue to get them included in with the utility bill. Anyone can fill out the survey even if you don’t have kids in daycare. If someone does not feel comfortable filling it out on the computer there is a number that you can call and someone can come to your house and help you fill it out. More surveys filled out the better.
- B. Russ Breitreutz thought that the city council was going to take action tonight to approve the water treatment plant. It will be on February 21st. Mr. Breitreutz asked a general size of the splash pad. Becky McGuire said it is about 2,000 square feet and a ten foot dry area.
- C. Mrs. James stated that the rural board is wanting me to look into getting a second Lucas (this device does chest compressions) for our second ambulance. The cost of the Lucas is \$19,592.63. Mrs. James stated that the state had ARPA funds set aside for a Lucas, defib, and cots and that I applied for some funding for a cot but if I am awarded any funds I will check with the state to see if I can get it switch over the Lucas.
- D. Mayor Soden said that he has received a lot of great comments on the snow removal. Mayor Soden thanked the city guys for a job well done on the snow removal.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – MOTION TO ADJOURN TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023, at 7:00 PM. At 7:33 PM it was moved by Barry and seconded by Jay that the City Council adjourns to February 21, 2023, at 7:00 PM in regular session, in the Council Chambers at the City Office. Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: Parker. Motion carried.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk/Treasurer

FEBRUARY 2023

Accounts Payable

WISNER CARE CENTER

AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC - STICKY NOTES, DESK STAPLER, FILE FOLDERS, CLIPBOARD, TONER, RUBBER BANDS, SINGLE 1461.91, APOTHECARY SHOP - PHARMACY CONSULTING 294.00, ARVID'S FOODTOWN - FOOD PURCHASES 339.36, BULLSEYE FIRE SPRINKLER INC. - QUARTERLY SPRINKLER INSPECTION 742.93, CITIZENS INSURANCE GROUP - INSURANCE-PROPERTY & AUTO 8471.09, CITY OF WISNER-UTILITIES - UTILITIES 10646.42, CULLIGAN OF NORFOLK - WATER 93.00, DIRECT SUPPLY - FOOD PROCESSOR & HEATED PLATE DISPENSER 211.88, RHETT ECKMAN, MD - MEDICAL DIRECTOR 500.00, EGAN SUPPLY CO. - ICE MACHINE MONTHLY RENTAL 200.00, FAITH REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICES - RESIDENT CARE 12.83, FLOOR MAINTENANCE & PAPER SUPPLY CO - SUPPLIES 2743.16, GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS - TELEPHONE SERVICE 575.51, GREATAMERICA LEASING CORP. - COPIER EXPENSE 637.84, GROOVE FINANCIAL SERVICES - CABLE TV SERVICE 720.37, HEALTH CARE INFO SYSTEMS-HCIS - MEDICAID BILLING 417.50, JOHNNY'S PEST CONTROL - EXTERMINATOR 105.00, KRIER TECHNOLOGIES INC - REMOTE SUPPORT & ON-SITE LABOR 450.00, LAWRENCE RECRUITING SPECIALISTS' INC - STAFFING AGENCY 8493.77, LINCARE - CONCENTRATOR, REFILLS, & NEBULIZER 1043.95, MAHASKA - COFFEE, JUICE, & TEA 783.00, MARVEL MEDICAL STAFFING - STAFFING AGENCY 11588.00, WILLIAM MAY - SNOW REMOVAL DECEMBER 260.00, MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL - IBUPROFEN, DRESSING, MILK OF MAGNESIA, SKIN PROTECTANT, STOCKINETTE, APLISOL & U 1243.30, MEDLINE INDUSTRIES, INC. - SUPPLIES 5899.00, MENARDS-VISA-CAPITAL ONE COMMERCIAL - PAINT, PAINT BRUSHES & LIGHT BULBS 362.55, MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES - FIRE ALARM & EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION 550.08, MIDWEST DIESEL - VAN REPAIRS 433.73, NORFOLK AREA SHOPPER - ADVERTISING 222.10, ONE OFFICE SOLUTION - PAPER 230.54, PENNER PATIENT CARE, INC - SERVICES ON PENNER BATH & TRANSFER 2536.43, PINNACLE BANK-VISA ADMIN - PROMOTION & RECRUITMENT, PRINTING & POSTAGE, TELEPHONE, DUES, COMPUTER, MISC., N 792.64, POWER STATION - QUICK CONNECT BODY, SHAFT, SWITCH, BEARING, GASKETS & SHOP SUPPLIES 896.65, PRIORITY INC - STAFFING AGENCY 9712.33, SCHMIDT SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY SERVICE - MEDICARE PHYSICAL THERAPY 13295.50, SCRUBS ON WHEELS - EMPLOYEE SCRUBS 2294.85, SECURITY SHREDDING SERVICES - DOCUMENT SHREDDING 35.00, TARA M SMITH - DIETITIAN SERVICES 822.91, ST FRANCIS MEMORIAL - RESIDENT CARE 21.02, STAN ORTMEIER & CO - MAINTENANCE 894.20, STATE FIRE MARSHAL OFFICE - STATE INSPECTION 50.00, STUREK MEDIA - ADVERTISING 452.40, SYSCO LINCOLN - FOOD PURCHASES 15054.23, TASC - ACA REPORTING 93.13, TIM'S SINCLAIR - FUEL 711.21, TMS-TIME MANAGEMENT SYSTEM - TIME CLOCK 202.50, TRI-STATE NURSING ENTERPRISES, INC. - STAFFING AGENCY 185.00, TWOMAGNETS INC. DBA CLIPBOARD HEALTH - STAFFING AGENCY 64.00, WAYNE HERALD/MORNING SHOPPER - ADVERTISING & PROMOTIONS 162.00, WCC-ARTS & CRAFTS FUND - ACTIVITIES SUPPLIES 226.70, WEST POINT NEWS, INC. - ADVERTISING & PROMOTIONS 470.60, WISNER APOTHECARY - MEDICATIONS 4509.27, WISNER TRU VALUE HARDWARE & LUMBER - MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES 908.87, WISNER WEST - VAN EXPENSES 69.01, Total - \$114,193.27

CITY OF WISNER

AMAZON.COM CREDIT - BOOKS 181.41, SHAWN ANDERSON - Credit balance owed refund for 508 AVE E (Customer# 11296) 196.58, APPEARA - MOPS 692.35, APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES - REMOTE SUPPORT - DEC., JAN., & FEB. & IN HOUSE SUPPORT 1110.00, ARVID'S FOODTOWN - BOTTLED WATER-HIGH NITRATES 720.67, ALEX AUSDEMORE - Deposit refund for 1015 AVE F - APT B (Customer# 11967) 166.83, BIRDS & BLOOMS - TWO YEAR SUBSCRIPTION 15.00, CENTRAL VALLEY AG - FUEL 1139.19, COLE LICKLEY & ANN PRATT - Credit balance owed refund for 508 11 ST (Customer# 11743) 149.69, COMPLETE MERCHANT SOLUTIONS - CREDIT CARD CHARGES & FEES 630.80, CONTINENTAL RESEARCH CORP - BRITE IDEA A 216.17, COUNTRY WELDING & REPAIR - MEDIUM OXYGEN EXCHANGE 25.48, CUMING COUNTY PUBLIC POWER - ANNUAL/UNMETERED SERVICE-WELCOME SIGN 496.02, DANKO EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT - HELMETS & VISORS 278.15, DEPT OF ENERGY - WAPA - BUREAU POWER 30551.47, DINKEL IMPL. CO. - CABLE 97.00, DOHREN TRUCK REPAIR - 32" AIR HOSE & LIGHTS 60.23, DOUBLEDAY LARGE PRINT - BOOKS 35.45, DUTTON-LAINSON CO - SPOOLS 395.94, ELECTRIC LIGHT FUND - UTILITIES 11881.27, ELECTRIC PUMP - PUMP, SOCKET, & ADAPTOR UNIT 9800.00, EXPENSE SUNDRIES - MISC EXPENSE 874.92, F & F TIRE & SERVICE - TIRE REPAIRS 79.90, GRAPHIC CONTROLS - SETUP CHARGE 50.00, GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS - TELEPHONE SERVICE 989.03, GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS. - COPIER EXPENSE 197.97, HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT SERVICE - LABOR & PARTS ON INTERNATIONAL TRUCK #40 814.54, INDUSTRIAL SALES COMPANY, INC. - RISERS 558.00, ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING COMPANY - VIKING BLACK HELMET 119.26, JEO CONSULTING GROUP INC - WASTEWATER TESTING 6604.50, JOHNSON & MOCK PC LLO - LEGAL SERVICES 390.00, KOONS GAS MEASUREMENT - REGULATORS & METER BARS 1373.10, L. P. GILL, INC. - UNLOADING 2764.10, LEAGUE OF NE MUNICIPALITIES-UTILITIES SE - UTILITIES/PUBLIC WORKS SECTION ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1066.00, LITERARY GUILD - BOOKS 32.22, KIMBERLY MARTIN - Deposit refund for 701 AVE E (Customer# 11872) 67.21, MCI - 800-SERVICE 45.29, MICHAEL TODD INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY - CROSS CHAIN SWIVEL HOOK & CROSS CHAINS 2338.68, MIDWEST LABORATORIES, INC - TESTING 229.29, MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF NEBRASKA - FIRM POWER DECEMBER 2022 67648.93, MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. OF OMAHA - ADAPTORS & SOCKETS 407.65, MUTUAL OF OMAHA - EMPLOYEE LIFE INSURANCE 83.88, NATIONAL PUBLIC GAS AGENCY - COMMODITY CHARGE-DECEMBER 2022 49460.53, NEBRASKA DEPT OF ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY - LICENSE RENEWAL - BROOK 150.00, NEBRASKA DEPT. OF REV. SALES TAX - SALES TAX EXPENSE 21072.17, NEBRASKA HARVESTORE SYSTEMS INC - RIM WHEEL & COUPLER 225.85, NE LOESS HILLS RC&D COUNCIL - DUES 350.00, NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL POWER POOL - NOX REPORTING FOR 2023 500.00, NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB - TESTING 1204.00, PAUL NELSON - Credit balance owed refund for 907 6 ST APT C (Customer# 11550) 12.35, NEON LINK - CREDIT CARD CHARGES & FEES 86.80, NORTHEAST NEBRASKA CLERKS ASSOCIATION - DUES-STEPH 20.00, OLSSON - WISNER WATER TOWER & MAINS 2306.73, ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. - DIGGERS HOTLINE/LOCATE REQUESTS 8.78, ONE OFFICE SOLUTION - INK CARTRIDGE & ENVELOPE SEALER 269.34, PILGER SAND & GRAVEL - FILL SAND 61.19, PINNACLE BANK-VISA CREDIT CARD - SEMINARS 934.15, PRECISION IT - AGREEMENT 60.00, STAN ORTMEIER & CO - THERMO WIRE 295.00, THE RETIREMENT ADVANTAGE, INC. - ADMINISTRATION FEE & DOCUMENT MAINT. 200.00, TIM'S SINCLAIR, LLC - FUEL 232.01, VERIZON WIRELESS - POLICE CELL PHONE 291.79, WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP - NORDIC 11610.00, WEST POINT AUTO VALUE - PAINT & SAND BLASTING MATERIALS 732.41, WILKS PUBLICATIONS INC - BOOKS 88.00, WISNER AUTO VALUE - SPIN-ONS, FILTERS, & SEPARATOR 1125.94, WISNER COMMUNITY ARTS & REC. ASSN - DINKLAGE GRANT-SUMMER/FALL SPORTS 2325.02, WISNER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - DINKLAGE GRANT-GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES 449.29, WISNER HERITAGE MUSEUM SOCIETY - DINKLAGE GRANT-GENERAL EXPENSES 404.66, WISNER NEWS CHRONICLE - PUBLICATION EXPENSE 1333.35, WISNER PLUMBING & HEATING - HOT WATER HEATER & SUPPLIES 227.95, WISNER PUBLIC SCALE - SCALE FEE 8.00, WISNER SENIOR CENTER - MONTHLY EXPENSE 978.40, WISNER TRUE VALUE - SHOP EXPENSE 532.15, WISNER WEST - FUEL 1887.89, Total - \$245,017.92, PAYROLL JANUARY 2023 - 41675.17, GRAND TOTAL - \$286,693.09

CITY OF WISNER AND WISNER RURAL FIRE BOARD

CITY OF WISNER - UTILITIES 1515.86, CITY OF WISNER-AMB PAYROLL & TAXES - AMBULANCE PAYROLL/TAXES 21.53, FOLDOY WATER CONDITIONING - SOFTENER SALT 38.40, GREAT

PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS - TELEPHONE & INTERNET SERVICE 201.27, HEIMAN INC. - REPAIRS ON DAMAGES FROM KIRCH FIRE 1000.00, MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC. - OXYGEN 379.88, MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL - GLOVES & VOMIT BAGS 429.91, MEL'S SMALL ENGINE - 5 GALLON 4-CYCLE FUEL 110.00, NE STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC. - MEMBERSHIP DUES-CHASE & DAN 40.00, ONE BILLING SOLUTIONS - BILLING SERVICES 648.76, QUICK MED CLAIMS - EMS BILLING SERVICES EXPENSE 121.50, STRYKER SALES CORP. - LIFEPAK 15 DEFIBULATOR & WIRELESS MODEM 31730.73, TIM'S SINCLAIR - FUEL 213.79, VERIZON WIRELESS - AMBULANCE TABLET SERVICE 30.08, WEST POINT AUTO & TRUCK CENTER, INC. - VISOR CLIP & FILTERS 1172.20, WISNER APOTHECARY - CONTOUR NEXT TEST STRIPS & EPI-PIN JR. 373.42, WISNER AUTO VALUE - AUTO SHUT OFF & AIR ELEMENT 64.07, WISNER WEST - FUEL-AMBULANCE 154.87, Total - \$38,246.27