

**MINUTES-May 20, 2024**  
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, May 20, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. according to the notice published in the Wisner News Chronicle issue of May 16, 2024, 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 Soden 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 Meeting 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, LJ Parker, Jay Meyer, and Mayor Soden. Staff present: Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Stephanie James, City Clerk/ Treasurer, and Sammye Nyman, Care Center Administrator.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – CONSENT AGENDA – AGENDA, MINUTES OF THE MAY 6, 2024 REGULAR MEETING, AND CARE CENTER, CITY, & CITY/RURAL FIRE BOARD APRIL 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT. Moved by Barry and seconded by Parker to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Parker, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – RESOLUTION NO. 2024-3 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RAISING CAMPER FEES. Mayor Soden introduced Resolution No. 2024-3 entitled: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WISNER, NEBRASKA, that the following fees shall be charged for camping in the Wisner River Park. Mayor Soden then asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-3. Moved by Barry and seconded by Gobar to approve Resolution No. 2024-3. Roll call: Ayes: Parker, Jay, Barry, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Mayor Soden declared Resolution No. 2024-3 adopted.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – WATER TOWER PROJECT – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PAY APPLICATION #7, 8, & 9. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent stated that all the necessary paperwork has not been submitted to the engineer by the contractor as of tonight's meeting. This agenda item needs to be tabled. Moved by Gobar and seconded by Parker to table Agenda Item No. 3 until the next regular city council meeting. Roll call: Ayes: Jay, Barry, Parker, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – AUTHORIZE CLERK/TREASURER TO RENEW CD #2264 GENERAL SINKING AND #2267 GENERATOR BOND. Moved by Barry and seconded by Parker to approval moving CD #2264 General Sinking and #2267 Generator Bond to Midwest Bank for six months at a rate of 5.28%. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Parker, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – MONTHLY POLICE REPORT – D. SALMEN. Doug Salmen, Chief of Police made available the monthly police activities report to the mayor and council. Council would like the police to talk to residents about their tall grass and vehicles that have expired license plates.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 - BUILDING PERMITS. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, stated he has no building permits at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 - COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, COMMENTS BY COUNCIL, CITY OFFICIALS AND GENERAL PUBLIC.

- A. Councilman Parker said that Jamie and Taylor, managers for the swimming pool are looking into doing some night time gathering events at the pool and one thought was to bring in a food truck once in a while at the pool. The managers wanted to see how the council felt with a food truck up at the pool since that is not a commercial area. It would be once or twice a month. Council didn't feel that would be an issue and that they would need to get their vendor permit.
- B. Councilwoman Gobar asked about if any more information was gathered on pool employees getting their WSI. Councilman Parker stated that classes were already held this winter and spring. Taylor might go to one being held next week in Wayne. Stephanie James, City Clerk/Treasurer said that she had a conversation with Jamie about this. Sounds like some of our lifeguards may help the Pilger pool out and in return if Joleen Jensen would come to our pool to test the kids out since she has her WSI. Jamie said that she would check into this option.
- C. Randy Woldt, City Administrator/Utility Superintendent stated that the COPS Hiring Grant has been started and Al Vacanti will be sitting on a webinar tomorrow to learn more about the grant and will be leaving for vacation and wants to have this completed before then. Officer Tiffany Rhodus and Mrs. James have started working on the grant process. Mr. Woldt said that the one that that Al wanted to remind the council of is that if the city is awarded the grant, the grant will cover 75% or up to \$125,000.00 of the officer's wage for three years. The city will have to cover another three years following the close of the first three years of the grant. The officer will be on the city's payroll for a total of six years as per the grant requirements. Officer Rhodus and Mrs. James came to a question in the grant that looks like the city may not qualify for the grant. We took screenshots of the questions and forwarded them to Al for him to review and give his thoughts. Al will be working on this and should have more information by the next meeting. There is a first half that has to be submitted by June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Mayor Soden asked about the trimming and mowing of the cemetery. Mr. Woldt stated that they have been trimming today and if the weather holds out, they will mow one more time on Thursday. They will blow off the stones and bag some areas.
- E. Mrs. James said that the Positive Pay that was brought up at last meet, I am having a meeting with a Pinnacle Bank Representative on Thursday to learn more about Positive Pay and will be able to bring more information for the next meeting.

- F. Councilman Jay was asked if a warning siren will be placed in the new addition. Mr. Woldt stated that he has been in contact with a siren company and they will check to see if the siren we have now has a good enough radius to cover the new addition. The company is supposed to be getting Mr. Woldt information regarding this. Mr. Woldt stated that the sirens are outdoor warning signals not indoor warning signals.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - MOTION TO ADJOURN TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024, AT 7:00 PM. At 7:15 PM moved by Barry and seconded by Parker that the City Council adjourn to meet in regular session on June 3, 2024 at 7:00 PM, in the Council Chambers at the City Office. Roll call: Ayes: Barry, Parker, Jay, Gobar. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

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Mayor

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City Clerk/Treasurer