

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

JANUARY 8, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Ogallala, Nebraska, was held at City Hall Council Chambers in said City on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2013, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. Present were: President of the Council: Harold Peterson; Council Members: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. Absent: None. City Manager: Bruce Smith; City Clerk: Jane M. Skinner; City Attorney: Joshua Wendell.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publishing one time in the Keith County News and posting at the City Hall Administration Building as shown by the Certificate of Publication and Posting Notice attached to these Minutes. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the President and to all members of the Council on January 4, 2013 and a copy of their Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice and the Agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the Notice to the President and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The President of the Council stated this meeting is being convened in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and acknowledged a copy of the Open Meetings Act being duly posted in the southeast Corner of Council Chambers.

Councilman Block moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and the consent agenda was approved as follows:

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held December 21, 2012.
- B. Appointment to Board – Tree Board. (1).
  - 1) Allen Cerny Three Year Term (1-1-13 – 12-31-15).
- C. Renewal of Mobile Home Park License – Robert Reichert dba Northwestern MHP.

Eric Duhachek of Keith County Area Development appeared before the council to present a check in the amount of \$19,400 for the sale of a lot at the Ogallala North Business Park (Block 4 Lot 10).

Kathleen Bauer and Josh Mackey addressed the council in appreciation of the recent funding of Sandhills Crisis Intervention Program.

Mary Lou Heelan addressed the council regarding the council e-mail policy.

City Clerk Skinner presented the financial report for December 2012.

Terry Johnson representing the Optimists and Dell Simmerman-Fire Chief addressed the council regarding the sale and discharge times of fireworks within the corporate limits of Ogallala. A survey of fireworks vendors will be conducted prior to taking any further action.

City Manager Bruce Smith addressed the council regarding the opportunity for Council Members to attend the 2013 Mid-Winter Conference sponsored by the League of Nebraska Municipalities held in Lincoln Nebraska.

Councilman Block moved to discontinue the CDBG Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund and request that the Villages of Paxton and Brule, and Keith County waive their rights to any funds in the program per the Interlocal Agreement and allow Ogallala to return any and all funds remaining in the CDBG Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund to the State of Nebraska. Councilman Elmshaeuser seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser,

Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Elmshaeuser moved to approve the specifications and request for bids for the purchase of a Type 1 Light Duty Ambulance and to advertise the request on January 14th, 21st and 28th, and to open the bids on February 6th. Councilman Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Block moved to authorize Harold (Pete) Peterson as the signatory to request CDBG grant funds for Grant Number 10-DTR-108. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Abstain: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Scott Rezac, Athletic Director Ogallala Public Schools addressed the council regarding the use of city parks by the Ogallala Public Schools for Football and Track practice.

Councilman Elmshaeuser moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Ogallala Public Schools for use of public park facilities as deemed appropriate. Councilman Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Bassett moved to reject all bids received for the purchase of a 2013 Ford F-150 Pickup for the parks department. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Bassett moved to approve the specifications and request for bids for the purchase of a police package vehicle and to advertise the request on January 14th, 21st and 28th, and to open the bids on February 6th. Councilman Elmshaeuser seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Bassett moved to reject all bids received for the purchase a 2013 F-150 pickup for the street department because of only one bid. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

City Manager Bruce Smith addressed the council regarding Federal Aid Transportation Fund Purchase Sale Agreement. The funding of the West 5<sup>th</sup> Street project will not be affected, but future street projects will be funded thru Keith County at a reduced rate. The council will be updated as new information is obtained.

There being no further business to come before the council, Councilman Block moved to adjourn. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:33 P.M.

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Jane M. Skinner  
City Clerk

Approved:

