

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

April 23, 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 23rd day of April 2013, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. Present were: Council Members: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, and Rodger Rankin. Absent: President of the Council: Harold Peterson. Interim City Manager: Jane M. Skinner; Deputy City Clerk: Roxane Welsh; City Attorney: Michael McQuillan.

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 April 19, 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. Councilman Elmshaeuser requested to pull check number 54615 for \$40.00 from the consent agenda. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried and the consent agenda was approved as follows:

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 9, 2013.
- B. Claims
- C. O.V.F.D. – Resignation of Joel Foster.

The claims were approved as follows:

General Fund:

Gen Fund-750.00-Su; Ne Dept Of Rev-1,112.13-Sit; Air Bp-12,514.21-Su; Pinn Bank-25.00-Se; Dept Of Pub Def-(384.00)-Reverse; Zoellner Ford-54,701.00-Su; 4d Trenching-2,019.20-Se; 125 Plan-811.90-Pretx; Am Fam Ins-393.95-Ins; Eftps-17,205.73-Fit; Hosp & Med-15,894.54-Ins; Icma-808.74-Pen; Kc Court-305.19-P/R; Manulife-5,911.75-Pen; Pinn Bank-51,396.47-Pp#7; Valley Bank-1,252.00-Has-; Ne Dept Of Motor Veh-13.20-Se; 125 Plan-750.36-Pretx; Eftps-15,019.49-Fit; Hartford-1,381.15-Ins; Hosp & Med-15,666.55-Ins; Kc Court-305.19-P/R; Manulife-6,042.98-Pen; Pinn Bank-48,646.55-Pp#8; Valley Bank-1,152.00-Hsa; 21st Century-1.86-Su; Adams Bank-10,000.00-Pen; Adamson Ind-579.90-Su; Alco-105.70-Su; Windstream-35.21-Se; Allo Comm-159.67-Se; Andersen Sign-482.50-Se; Napa-373.88-Su; Arnold Pool-4,879.55-Su/Se; Baltzell Vet-160.00-Se; B & D Off-199.80-Su; Bittersweet Bakery-36.00-Su; Bound Tree Medical-184.41-Su; Bruckner-842.32-P/R; U-Save-18.33-Su; Candy Aerotech-1,000.00-Contract; Cash-Wa-557.75-Su; Charter Comm-54.95-Se; Charitta-75.00-Refund; City Of Og-30.00-Su; True Value-417.11-Su; Complete Cleaning Sol-150.00-Su; Comm Internet-30.00-Se; Corbin Willits-6,155.94-Se; Cornhusker Glass-11.47-Se; Cornhusker Hotel-1,221.38-Se; Correll Refrig-1,584.78-Su/Se; Cornhusker Int Trucks-178.50-Su; Cranmore Pest Control-45.00-Se; Culligan-108.50-Su/Se; Dimond-70.00-Se; Dollar Gen-53.00-Su; Dp Elect-15.29-Su; Eichner-2,123.30-Su; Elect Engineer-10.67-Su; Ems Billing-1,814.97-Contract; Extreme Mach-117.60-Su; Farmers Coop-7,203.60-Su; John Deere Finan-207.23-Su; Fedex-23.16-Se; Fenwick-37.31-Su; Fleet-Us-98.03-Su; Fp Mailing-248.85-Se; Fyr-Tek-6,928.67-Su; Galls-30.97-Su; Guynan Mach-1,345.89-Su; Hinton's Lock-1,225.50-Su; Holiday Inn-678.65-Se; Humphreys-321.42-Su; Ideal Linen-135.14-Su; Iowa League-65.00-Se; Waste Conn-728.29-Se; Kcad-2,300.00-Contract; Kc Clerk-20.00-Se; Kc Hosp Auth-28,117.82-

Salestx; Kc News-687.63-Se; Kc Senior Cen-35.50-Su; Kc Treas-10,197.35-Se; Kenfield Elec-45.00-Se; Kildare-575.86-Su; Sourcegas-6,132.56-Su; Lawson Products-125.65-Su; League Of Kansas-140.00-Se; Linweld-175.66-Su; Makenzi's-30.00-Su; Manulife-460.22-Pen; Master's Transport-38.17-Su; Mascott Equip-1,947.77-Su; Maxwells Off Road-41.59-Su; Mcmillan Plumbing-2,302.00-Se; Mcquillan-1,191.00-Se; Moul's Modern Bldrs-17,354.00-Su; Midwest Mailing-51.00-Su; Mobile Mech-350.00-Se; Ndhss-200.00-Se; Ne Salt-7,894.60-Su; Ne Print Works-435.35-Su; Ne Diplomats-30.00-Su; Nppd-16,677.25-Se; Newman Signs-308.15-Su; Ne Workforce-330.00-Ins; Office Service-953.69-Su; Og Comm Hosp-260.00-Se; Og Feed-15.95-Su; Og Water Dept-607.65-Se; Og Comm Hosp-181.66-Su; Og Honor Guard-200.00-Se; Olson-240.00-Se; Olsson Assoc-37,728.00-Se; Omaha World Herald-288.42-Se; Oshkosh Cleaner-134.00-Se; Peters & Son Const-4,200.00-Su; Pioneer Prod-673.13-Su; Platte Valley Agency-663.08-Se; P.L. Custom Body-55,161.00-Su; Quill-191.29-Su; Centurylink-974.47-Se; R & D Welding-146.84-Su; Rlh Const-110.89-Se; Sandhills Dist Health-300.00-Su; Schmidt Motors-6.58-Su; Servicemaster-357.00-Se; Siffring-70.90-Su; Sirchie Finger Print Labs-51.63-Su; Sunmart-75.95-Su; Sd Muni-50.00-Se; Springer's App-15.00-Su; Steve's Body-261.40-Se; Stulichs Asp-5,828.50-Su; Zoellner Ford-46.28-Se; The Trophy Shoppe-7.00-Su; T & C Srv-954.94-Se; T & A Align-3,224.80-Se; Us Post-104.46-Se; Verizon-746.73-Se; Visa-525.58-Su; Visa-1,505.60-Su; Overhead Door-229.00-Se; Western Path-234.00-Se; Wood-89.99-Su;

Select Flex:

Rci-104.25-P/R; Rci-562.30-P/R; Rci-798.15-P/R;

Water Dept:

Ne Dept Of Rev-7,337.51-Se; Adams Bank-25.00-Se; Hhs Reg & Lic-400.00-Fee; Windstream-6.36-Se; Bomgaar's-371.94-Su; Charter Comm-54.95-Se; Cornhusker Glass-95.57-Se; Dp Electronics-2.34-Se; Farmers Coop-776.44-Su; Gen Fund-24,435.24-Se; Grainger-378.93-Su; Humphreys-10.95-Su; Ideal Linen-90.07-Su; Waste Conn-112.44-Se; Kc News-24.64-Se; Kc Register-10.00-Se; Sourcegas-311.38-Su; Mcquillan-100.00-Se; Midwest Elec-3,627.93-Se; Muni Supply-4,948.49-Su; Nppd-2,629.49-Se; Office Service-9.62-Su; Og Water Dept-38.84-Se; Olsen's Agri-165.90-Se; One Call Concepts-50.00-Se; Centurylink-134.10-Se; Rlh Constr-15.00-Su; Sargent Drilling-2,166.12-Se; St Of Ne Dept Health-112.00-Se; Usa Blue Book-743.73-Su; Verizon-97.91-Se; Ronning-50.00-Refund; Williams-36.16-Refund;

Sewer:

Adams Bank-25.00-Se; Napa-1,941.54-Su; Farmers Coop-187.12-Su; John Deere Financials-198.07-Su; Gen Fund-16,335.57-Se; Ideal Linen-43.80-Su; Waste Conn-127.97-Se; Sourcegas-1,908.77-Se; Midwest Lab-22.97-Su; Ne Dept Of Labor-72.00-Se; Nppd-4,612.21-Se; Nsi Solutions-378.50-Se; Og Water Dept-120.15-Se; Scott England-1,947.20-Se; Olsson Assoc-1,901.60-Se; Pioneer Research-202.15-Su; Prairie States Comm-345.00-Su; Qa Balance-125.00-Se; Centurylink-206.45-Se; R & D Welding-315.00-Su; Snell Services-6,749.22-Se; Unitech-660.50-Su; Usa Blue Book-206.99-Su; Verizon-24.48-Se;

GRC:

Raceday Timing-100.00-Se; Og Chamber-105.00-Award;

Youth Committee:

City Of Og-200.00-Se; Dickinson-135.00-Se; Og Baseball Assn-75.00-Se; Safeway-22.24-Su; Visa-74.09-Su;

Medical Benefit:

Rci-13,485.60-Ins; Rci-(2,982.45)-Ins; Rci-1,445.67-Ins; Rci-3,817.61-Ins; Rci-378.68-Ins; Rci-3,538.14-Ins; Rci-970.63-Ins

Councilman Bassett moved to approve check number 54615 to Ogallala Rotary for \$40.00 for the March and April dues for Travis Haggard. Councilman Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett and Kevin Block. No: Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared failed.

Vice President Elmshaeuser recognized Ken Pohlman for 10 years of service to the City of Ogallala.

Vice President Elmshaeuser read the Week of the Young Child and Youth and Family Appreciation Month proclamation in the place of Mayor Peterson which proclaimed April 21-27, 2013 as Week of the Young Child and the month of April 2013 as Family Appreciation Month.

Vice President Elmshaeuser read the Loyalty Day proclamation in the place of Mayor Peterson which proclaimed May 1, 2013 as Loyalty Day.

Vice President Elmshaeuser read the National Day of Prayer proclamation in the place of Mayor Peterson which proclaimed May 2, 2013 as the National Day of Prayer.

Brett Hoffman addressed the council regarding the issuance of a Livestock/Fowl Permit allowing him to keep 6-12 laying hens at 103 L & L Court.

Councilman Elmshaeuser moved to approve the Permit Application to keep Livestock or Fowl for Brett Hoffman for 6-12 laying hens at 103 L & L Court. The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilman Bassett moved to deny the Permit Application to keep Livestock or Fowl for Russchelle Dehning for 4-6 chickens at 122 Wagon Trail Drive. Councilman Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. No: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Elmshaeuser stated that he previously declared a conflict of interest regarding the claim payable to West Central Nebraska Development District.

Councilman Block moved to approve the claim payable to West Central Nebraska Development District in the amount of \$81.25. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Abstain: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Interim City Manager Jane Skinner updated the council on the City Manager Search committee. The Committee met for the first time on April 18, 2013. Pete Peterson was elected Chairman of the Committee and Kevin Block appointed Vice Chairman. As of the meeting date, 38 resumes have been received in consideration of the City Manager position. The committee will meet for the second time on May 13, 2013.

Brenda Ketcham addressed the council on the Downtown Revitalize Business Façade Improvement Loan Program and the Design Guidelines and Standards.

Councilman Bassett moved to approve the Ogallala Downtown Revitalization Business Facade Improvement Loan Program and the Design Guidelines and Standards. Councilman Block seconded the motion. Council Vice-President declared a conflict of interest on this agenda item, stating that West Central Nebraska Development District is the grant administrator for this project. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Abstain: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Matt Reiff of Olsson Associates addressed the council on the Ogallala Downtown Improvement, presenting the plans for the Pavilion, the alley wave and the Second Street corridor projects.

Sheila Mahken addressed the council on the Downtown Improvement and whether there have been public meetings on the project. Brenda Ketcham addressed Ms. Mahken's concerns stating that the project has been an ongoing process for three years with several input sessions and articles in the newspaper.

Councilman Bassett moved to approve the plans, specifications and request for bids for the Ogallala Downtown Improvements 2013 and to advertise the request on April 29, May 6, and May 13, and to open the bids on May 21. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Abstain: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Block moved to appoint Rod Ruzanic to the Library Board for a term to expire September 30, 2016. Councilman Bassett seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Mike Tuttle, Kendra Caskey, Library Director and Nancy Armstrong addressed the council regarding the proposed construction of a new library and site selection for the proposed project.

Councilman Block moved to earmark the north portion of Searle Park for the proposed Library facility. Councilman Bassett seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. No: Karl Elmshaeuser. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Brent Burklund of TC Engineering addressed the council regarding the Infrastructure Improvement 2013-1, 2013-2 and 2013-3.

Councilman Bassett moved to award the water infrastructure improvement project 2013-1 to the lowest responsible bidder – Van Kirk Bros. contracting in the amount of \$149,519.50. Councilman Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Bassett moved to award the sewer infrastructure improvement project 2013-2 to the lowest responsible bidder – Scotties Potties in the amount of \$68,838.00. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Bassett moved to award the sewer infrastructure improvement project 2013-3 to the lowest responsible bidder – Scotties Potties in the amount of \$33,050.00. Councilman Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

The City Council gave updates regarding their committee assignments as follows:

- A. Keep Keith County Beautiful – Buck Bassett.
- B. Library Board – Kevin Block.
- C. Ogallala Community Hospital Advisory Board – Karl Elmshaeuser.

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 and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:43 P.M.

Jane M. Skinner
City Clerk

