

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

DECEMBER 10, 2013

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Ogallala, Nebraska, was held at City Hall Council Chambers in said City on the 10th day of December 2013 at 6:00 o'clock P.M. Present were: President of the Council: Harold Peterson; Council Members: Darrell Bassett and Kevin Block. Absent: Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin; City Manager- Aaron Smith; City Clerk-Treasurer: Jane M. Skinner.

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 December 6, 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.

Aaron Smith, City Manager lead discussion regarding the implementation of a formalize Capital Improvement Plan, possibly using Planit Software, including future water sources for the city.

Councilman Rankin entered the meeting at 6:05 P.M.

Aaron Smith, City Manager, discussed the priorities that he views is important from the individual discussions he has had with the council members, as well as city employees regarding water and storm water projects, streets, EMS services, library facility, Economic Development, including Business retention and expansion; the conditions of the underground water lines and sewer lines;

The City of Ogallala comprehensive plan was reviewed and the changes that have taken place since the plan was adopted in 2003. Main areas of concern are housing and mid-level jobs. LB 840 was discussed as a possible funding source for these concerns.

The condition of the streets was discussed and the need to continue the work that has begun with the street improvements that have been completed and prioritize the streets based upon the needs of the streets.

A library facility potential location was discussed. The options of the Searle Park site, Progress School site and the Middle School site were discussed.

Formal mid-year evaluation for Aaron Smith, City Manager, should be completed in the next couple of months.

Airport projects were discussed and the funding of the projects being largely subsidized by the federal government.

Aaron Smith discussed a wage and hour survey he would like to complete in the near future.

The EMS contract with Ogallala Rural Fire Department was discussed.

Bonded indebtedness of the city was discussed.

There being no further business to come before the council, Councilman Block moved to adjourn at 7:07 P.M. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Karl Elmshaeuser. Motion declared carried.

Jane M. Skinner
City Clerk

Approved:

Harold L. Peterson
Council President

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I, Jane M. Skinner, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Ogallala, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the attached proceedings were contained in the Agenda for the meeting of December 10, 2013 kept continuously current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said Agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the Minutes of the President and Council of the City of Ogallala, Nebraska, were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Jane M. Skinner
City Clerk

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