

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

MAY 12, 2015

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 12th day of May 2015, at 7:00 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: Aaron Smith; City Clerk: Jane M. Skinner; City Attorney: Michael McQuillan.

Notice of the 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 May 8, 2015 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.

Council President Peterson opened a public hearing regarding a request to allow a daycare facility located at 717 East 1st legally described as Lot 7,8, Block 30, Original Town. (Kirstin and Sarah Burnside) at 7:01 P.M.

Ken Knoepfel, Planning and Zoning Administrator, and Sarah Burnside addressed the council regarding a request to allow a daycare facility located at 717 East 1 Street.

Council President Peterson opened a public hearing regarding a request for special exception to place a 96 square foot off-premise billboard advertising sign on property described as Lot 3, Block 1, Ogallala North Business Park Replat # 1. (Keith County Chamber Retail Committee) at 7:01 P.M.

Ken Knoepfel, Planning and Zoning Administrator addressed the council regarding a request for special exception to place a 96 square foot off-premise billboard advertising sign on property described as Lot 3, Block 1, Ogallala North Business Park Replat # 1.

Mayor Peterson proclaimed May 10 – 16, 2015 as Police Week.

Mayor Peterson proclaimed the month of May 2015 as Foster Care Month.

Councilman Rankin moved to approve Kourtnie Magness and Levi Gardners' Livestock/Fowl Permit for up to four 4-H hens at 609 West 4th Street. Councilman Elmshaeuser seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: Darrell Bassett and Kevin Block. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Councilman Bassett moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 28, 2015. 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.

Jane Skinner, City Clerk presented the financial report for April 2015.

Councilman Bassett moved to approve the claim, payable to Midwest Turf and Irrigation for \$21,432. Council President Peterson seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett and Harold Peterson. No: Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. Absent: None. Abstain: Kevin Block. Motion declared failed.

Councilman Bassett introduced a resolution amending the city of Ogallala job title directory and the job title salary range table and creating the job description for Police Corporal. Councilman Elmshaeuser seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted "Yes": Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. The following council Members voted "No": None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and Resolution No. 1447 adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Frank Svoboda; Kendra Caskey, Library Director; and Rod Ruzanic addressed the council regarding the amendment to agreement for exchange of real estate with the School District.

Councilman Block moved to approve the First Amendment to the Exchange Agreement with Ogallala Public Schools and authorize the Council President to execute the First Amendment. Councilman Bassett seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: Karl Elmshaeuser. Motion declared carried.

Dell Simmerman, Fire Chief presented the Ogallala Volunteer Fire Department annual report for 2014.

Council President Peterson closed a public hearing regarding a request to allow a daycare facility located at 717 East 1st legally described as Lot 7,8, Block 30, Original Town. (Kirstin and Sarah Burnside) at 8:11 P.M.

Councilman Bassett moved to allow a request for special exception for a day care/pre-school on property described as 717 East 1st Street more particularly described as Lots 7, 8, Block 30, Original Town. 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.

Council President Peterson closed a public hearing regarding a request for special exception to place a 96 square foot off-premise billboard advertising sign on property described as Lot 3, Block 1, Ogallala North Business Park Replat # 1. (Keith County Chamber Retail Committee) at 8:12 P.M.

Councilman Bassett moved to allow a request for special exception to allow an off-premise billboard sign 96 square feet in area to be located on Lot 3, Block 1, Ogallala North Business Park Replat # 1. Provided that final design is approved by the City Manager and that the sign complies with applicable safety standards. 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.

Aaron Smith, City Manager addressed the council regarding a request for signage near Pony Express Land and Oregon Trail Drive directing individuals to local areas of interest.

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 G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser, Harold Peterson and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Jane M. Skinner
City Clerk

Approved:

Harold L. Peterson
Council President

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COUNTY OF KEITH) SS.
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CITY OF OGALLALA)

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 May 12, 2015 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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