## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

## FEBRUARY 9, 2016

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 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2016, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Present were: Vice-President of the Council: Karl Elmshaeuser; Council Members: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. Absent: Harold Peterson. City Manager: Aaron 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 February 5, 2016 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 excuse Council President Peterson from the February 9, 2016 City Council meeting. 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 approve the consent agenda. 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 and the consent agenda was approved as follows:

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 26, 2016.
- B. Application for Plumbing Contractor License Rollie V. Mundy Jr.
- C. Applications for Gas Fitter Contractor License Rollie V. Mundy Jr.

Council Vice-President Elmshaeuser read the proclamation declaring February 7 - 13, 2016 as Scouting Anniversary Week.

Council Vice-President Elmshaeuser read the proclamation declaring February 20-27, 2016 as National FFA week.

City Clerk Jane Skinner presented the financial report for January 2016.

Councilman Block moved to approve change order #1. Councilman Bassett 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 introduced a resolution to apply for federal funding for the City of Ogallala Public Transportation System for purchase of a new vehicle to replace a current older vehicle. Councilman Bassett seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted "Yes": Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Karl Elmshaeuser and Rodger Rankin. The following council Members voted "No": None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried and Resolution No. 1467 adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Councilman Bassett moved to authorize the Council President to sign the SSAR form. 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 approve the plans, specifications, advertising and bid opening for the digester cleaning and land application project. 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.

Council Vice-President Elmshaeuser excused himself from the rostrum for the duration of agenda item 6.E. – Response to performance monitoring review report.

Councilman Bassett moved to have Councilman Block preside over the meeting in the absence of Council Vice-President Elmshaeuser. 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.

Karl Elmshaeuser, Executive Director for West Central Nebraska Development District addressed the council regarding the response to performance monitoring review report.

Councilman Bassett moved to appeal the decision regarding the findings for CDBG 10-DTR-108 and authorize the Council President to sign all related documents. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell Bassett, Kevin Block and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Karl Elmshaeuser and Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried.

City Manager Aaron Smith, Councilman Rankin and Police Chief David Kling addressed the issue of truck traffic on city streets during interstate closures. Chief Kling will open discussions with the Nebraska Department of Roads to attempt to formulate a solution to the problems of truck traffic on city streets during interstate closures.

Council Vice-President Elmshaeuser requested more time be spent prior to the budget process discussing the budget prioritization and where the funds should be in the budget process.

City Manager Aaron Smith and Council Vice-President Elmshaeuser discussed formulating a formal policy regarding the city's position regarding current Legislative Bills.

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 and Rodger Rankin. No: None. Absent: Harold Peterson. Motion declared carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Jane M. Skinner City Clerk

Approved:

Harold L. Peterson Council President STATE OF NEBRASKA ) ) COUNTY OF KEITH ) SS. )

## 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 February 9, 2016 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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