

## A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 23, 2021

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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. Present were: President of the Council: Deb Schilz; Council Members: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan and Darryl Weddington. Absent: None. City Manager: Bruce Smith. City Clerk: Jane Skinner. 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 March 19, 2021 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 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 Schilz opened the public hearing regarding the implementation of the Owner-Occupied Housing Program through Community Redevelopment Block Grant Program – Contract 18HO33058 at 7:02 P.M.

CJ Poltack, West Central Nebraska Development District addressed the Council regarding the implementation of the Owner-Occupied Housing Program through Community Redevelopment Block Grant Program – Contract 18HO33058. The hearing notice was published as follows: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 23, 2021 in the City Council Chambers of the City of Ogallala, the City Council of the City of Ogallala, Keith County, Nebraska, will hold a public hearing concerning the implementation of the owner-occupied housing project through the Community Development Block Grant program. The grant is available to local governments for community/ economic development activities. The City has been awarded \$119,004 for an Owner-occupied Housing Rehabilitation Project under contract 18HO33058, to rehab an estimated five homes all located within the municipal limits of Ogallala, Nebraska. An estimated \$92,920 of CDBG funds will be used for rehabilitation costs, \$7,500 will be utilized for Lead Based Paint Assessment, \$9,292 will be used for Housing Management costs, and \$9,292 will be utilized for General Administration of the project. The CDBG funds will benefit low- to moderate income people. The City has committed \$15,750 KENO funds as matching funds for the project and CDBG Reuse funds in the amount of \$37,330.86 has been utilized towards project costs. There were no persons displaced as a result of this program. Accomplishments to date for this program are the completion of rehab on four homes with the fifth and final home currently in progress. The City engaged in furthering fair housing at the beginning of the project by enlisting representatives of the West Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority to read a youth publication on fair housing entitled The Fair Housing Five. This was presented before the 4th grade class at Prairie View Elementary on January 28, 2020. The City Council also proclaimed April 2020 as Fair Housing Month. All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing at which time you will have an opportunity to be heard regarding the implementation of this program. Written and oral testimony will also be accepted at the public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, March 23, 2021, at 7:15 P.M. local time in the Ogallala City Council Chambers, 411 East 2nd Street, Ogallala, Nebraska. Written comments addressed to Clerk Jane Skinner, at 411 East 2nd Street will be accepted if received on or before 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded

materials, please contact Clerk Jane Skinner at 411 East 2nd Street or by phone at 308-284-3607 no later than March 16, 2021. Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking individuals provided that a six day notice is received by Clerk Jane Skinner.

No Public Comment was received regarding the hearing.

Gabby Caskey and Marlee Ervin, representing NE West Volleyball, addressed the Council regarding placing sand volleyball courts on a City Park. NE West Volleyball has secured funding from the Ogallala Optimists in the amount of \$40,000.

Council Member Block moved to approve the sand volleyball project as presented by the NE West Volleyball group and have Jarrod Curtis, Kendra Caskey and Bruce Smith determine the best location for the court and report back to the Council. Council Member Laflan seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Council President Schilz closed the public hearing regarding the implementation of the Owner-Occupied Housing Program through Community Redevelopment Block Grant Program – Contract 18HO33058 at 7:35 P.M.

Council Member Bassett moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 9, 2021. Council Member Weddington seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Abstain: Chris Laflan Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Council Member Block moved to approve the claims. Council Member Laflan seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and the claims were approved as follows:

**General Fund:**

125 Plan-314.14-PreTx; Eftps-19,220.46-Fit; Hartford Life-1,506.73-Ins; Hosp&Med-32,683.75-Ins; Icma-793.44-Pen; John Hancock-11,673.23-Pen; Western States Bank-5,367.83-Hsa; Ne Dept Of Rev-5,519.31-Sit; 125 Plan-314.14-PreTx; Am Fam Ins-413.93-Ins; Eftps-17,278.04-Fit; Hosp&Med-32,683.75-Ins; Icma-793.44-Pen; John Hancock-11,583.12-Pen; Western States Bank-5,367.83-Hsa; Wex Bank-3,508.27-Su; Ne Dept Of Transport-1,330.83-Contract; Water Dept-712.07-Su; Ne Dept Of Rev-284.26-Salestx; Pinn Bank-25.00-Se; A&A Roofing-16,500.00-Su/Se; Airgas-802.84-Su; Allo-1,039.94-Su; Am Public Wks Assn-108.00-Dues; Napa-216.61-Su; Arnold Pool-1,705.54-Su; Atco-1,285.00-Su; Black Hills Energy-9,504.82-Su; Bound Tree Med-1,036.04-Su; Mike Bruckner-842.32-P/R; Candy Aerotech-1,000.00-Contract; Charter-18.02-Su; Chs Grainland-1,837.14-Su; Consolid Mgmt-347.71-Su; Cornhusker Glass-47.39-Se; Correll Refrig-200.00-Su; Culligan-49.50-Su; D&B Towing-125.00-Se; Danko Equip-271.43-Su; Eakes-394.80-Su; Eichner Sales-23.50-Se; Og Plumbing-210.50-Su; John Deere Financials-585.67-Su; Fbi-50.00-Dues; Fyr-Tek-557.80-Su; Dawn Haney-400.00-Se; Dhhs-120.00-Se; Hinton's Lock-274.95-Su; Humphreys-457.04-Su; Ideal Linen-371.47-Su/Se; Waste Conn-984.00-Se; Kc Hosp Auth-13,583.07-Salestx; Kc News-365.62-Se; Kc Treasurer-12,969.59-Se; Kc Court-17.00-Se; Kenfield Elec-847.27-Su; Kents Towing-525.00-Se; K Lawn-129.00-Su/Se; Lb840 Fund-19,016.30-Salestx; Mcquillan Law-1,277.90-Se; Mebulbs-499.90-Su; Nmc Exchange-174,391.26-Su; Printworks-19.90-Su; Ne Law Enforc Trng-175.00-Se; Nppd-16,360.49-Su; Nsg Logistics-15,378.49-Su; O'reilly-16.60-Su; Office Svc-538.23-Su; Og Rotary-120.00-Dues; Water Dept-9,829.62-Su; Bond Acct-277.12-Su; Og Comm Hosp-240.88-Su; Ace Hardware-231.27-Su; Og Med Cen-200.00-Se; Poppe's Diesel-785.78-Su; Potts Elec-1,246.00-Su; Quadiant Leasing-405.90-Su; Quick Elec-418.79-Su; Quick Med Claims-814.65-Contract; Rockmount Research-185.38-Su; Sandry Fire Sup-285.85-Su; Sapp Bros-64.78-Su; Scotties Potties-1,237.50-Se; Sewer Fund-19.65-Su; Sheks-69.00-Su; Shelco Constr-9,754.19-Su/Se;

Ashton Simmerman-210.00-Se; Ne Dept Health Lab-31.50-Se; Stanard & Assoc-77.50-Se; Ne State Acct-77.00-Se; Steve's Paint-125.00-Se; T&K Tire-585.76-Su; To Haas-45.69-Su; Twomey Tree Svc-4,200.00-Se; Us Bank-2,823.29-Su; Us Postal Svc-90.60-Su; Weathercraft Co-349.00-Su/Se; Western Path Consult-86.25-Se; Winter Equip-331.13-Su; Wolf Auto-915.52-Su; Wolf Chrysler-57.20-Su;

**Water Dept:**

City Of Og-50.00-Su; Water Dept-57.87-Su; Ne Dept Of Rev-9,173.58-Salestx; Adams Bank-25.00-Se; Allo-132.78-Su; Am Ag Lab-39.00-Se; Napa-74.39-Su; Black Hills Energy-723.56-Su; Chs Grainland-658.11-Su; Cornhusker Glass-40.44-Se; Eakes-571.80-Su; Gen Fund-33,616.60-Su/Se; Grainger-270.08-Su; Humphreys-222.23-Su; Ideal Linen-183.96-Su/Se; Waste Conn-125.00-Se; Kimball Midwest-170.30-Su; Lincoln Winwater Works-1,355.69-Su; Midwest Elec-5,131.52-Su; Muni Supply-3,327.43-Su; Nppd-3,389.90-Su; Water Dept-1.65-Su; Bond Acct-1,279.16-Su; Ace Hardware-19.43-Su; One Call Concepts-25.48-Se; Paulsen-30.12-Su; Safety-Kleen-283.14-Su; Ne Health Lab-1,372.00-Se; Tc Engineering-402.00-Su; T&K Tire-19.00-Se; Us Bank-1,334.25-Su; Tresann Waites-138.92-Refund;

**Sewer Dept:**

Water Dept-89.00-Su; Adams Bank-25.00-Se; A&A Roofing-29,850.00-Su/Se; Allo-31.55-Su; Ba Lawrence-1,210.00-Su; Black Hills Energy-3,282.15-Su; Correll Refrig-2,708.00-Su; Gen Fund-23,032.77-Su/Se; Ideal Linen-65.36-Su/Se; Iowa Pump-5,237.50-Su; Waste Conn-117.75-Se; Printworks-248.25-Su; Nppd-4,307.81-Su; Bond Acct-887.75-Su; Potts Elec-150.00-Su; Scotties Potties-12,881.50-Se; Tc Engineering-402.00-Su; Us Bank-625.41-Su;

**LB840 Account:**

Makenzi Spurgin-224.75-Su;

**Medical/Benefit:**

City Of Og-280.00-Su; Og Med Cen-195.00-Se; Rci-15,641.55-Ins; Rci-6,835.53-Ins; Rci-14,211.52-Ins; Rci-2,571.87-Ins;

Council Member Bassett moved to approve the plans, specifications, advertising and bid opening dates for the Goodall Recreation Center Indoor Pool Roof. Council Member Laflan seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Council Member Weddington introduced Resolution 2035, a resolution to apply for state & federal funding for the City of Ogallala Public Transportation System for fiscal years 2021-2023. Council President Schilz read the resolution by title and Council Member Block seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted "Yes": Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. The following Council Members voted "No": None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and resolution 2035 is adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Council Member Laflan moved to approve the lowest responsible bid from McAtee Construction Co. DBA Simon for the Spruce Street and East A Street Overlay Project in the amount of \$587,600. Council Member Weddington seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Bruce Smith, City Manager, addressed the Council regarding the various city projects occurring within the City of Ogallala.

The Council Members gave their committee reports as follows:

- A. Deb Schilz
  - 1) Board of Health
  - 2) Keep Keith County Beautiful
- B. Kevin Block

- 1) Chamber of Commerce
- C. Buck Bassett
  - 1) Kenfield Petrified Wood Gallery
- D. Chris Laflan
  - 1) City Council Member/County Commissioner/School Board Meeting.
  - 2) Library Board
  - 3) Keith County Area Development

Council Member Block moved to adjourn. Council Member Laflan seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Absent: None. Motion declared carried and meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

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Jane M. Skinner  
City Clerk

Approved:

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Deb Schilz  
Council President

STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
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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 March 23, 2021 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.

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Jane M. Skinner  
City Clerk

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