

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 24, 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 24th day of August, 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: Mike 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 August 20, 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 Member Block moved to approve the consent agenda. 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 and the consent agenda was approved as follows:

- A. Minutes of the Special Meeting held August 10, 2021.
- B. Minutes of the Special Meeting held August 10, 2021.
- C. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 10, 2021.
- D. Claims.
- E. Appointment to Board - Community Redevelopment Authority
 - 1) Brian Vasa - Five Year Term (10-01-2021 - 09-30-2026).
- F. Renewal of Master Plumber License:
 - 1) Rollie Mundy Jr.
- G. Renewal of Gas Fitters Licenses:
 - 1) Rollie Mundy Jr.
- H. Renewal of Right of Way Contractor License:
 - 1) JD Peterson

The claims were approved as follows:

General Fund:

125 Plan-314.14-PreTx; Eftps-20,498.12-Fit; Icma-793.44-Pen; John Hancock-11,123.30-Pen; Ne Dept Of Rev-8,549.66-Sit; 125 Plan-314.14-PreTx; Am Fam Ins-413.93-Ins; Eftps-18,748.03-Fit; Hosp&Med-32,683.75-Ins; Icma-793.44-Pen; John Hancock-11,114.95-Pen; Western States Bank-5,433.83-Hsa; Gen Fund-3,000.00-Su; City Of Og-50.00-Su; Pump & Pantry-3,753.24-Su; Ne Dept Of Transport-1,330.83-Contract; Water Dept-13,939.08-Su; Ne Dept Of Rev-988.94-Salestx; Pinn Bank-25.00-Se; 21st Century Equip-40.03-Su; 5 Star Custom Designs-710.00-Su; Airgas-479.56-Su; Allo-1,048.91-Su; Napa-400.35-Su; Armscor Cartridge-2,916.25-Su; Arnold Pool-3,898.60-Su; Baird,Holm-2,800.00-Se; Baltzell Vet-40.00-Se; Black Hills Energy-1,674.87-Su; Bomgaar's-39.94-Su; Bound Tree Medical-1,359.57-Su; Mike Bruckner-842.32-P/R; Charter Comm-17.97-Su; Chs Grainland-2,549.51-Su; Cobitco-7,840.00-Su; Complete Cleaning-618.75-Su/Se; Cornhusker Glass-13.19-Se; Correll Refrig-100.00-Su; Crouch Recreation-157,566.00-Su; Culligan-69.00-Su; Datashield Corp-39.00-Se; Eakes-39.96-Su; Eichner Sales-124.00-Su; Tomas England-800.00-Se; Og Plumbing-440.00-Su/Se; John Deere Financials-250.12-Su; Fedex-34.77-Se; Fr Customs-50.00-Su; Gworks-2,250.00-Se; Dawn Haney-500.00-Se;

Hinton's Lock-407.00-Su; Humphreys-393.19-Su; Ideal Linen-308.29-Su/Se; Waste Conn-984.00-Se; Kcad-61,019.46-Contract; Kc Hosp Auth-15,490.27-Salestx; Kc Housing Development-25,000.00-Su; Kc News-475.63-Se; Kc Treasurer-12,969.59-Se; Kc Court-17.00-Se; Kents Towing-240.00-Se; Lb840 Fund-21,686.38-Salestx; Mcquillan Law-1,051.70-Se; Mc Schaff-26,514.00-Se; Mead Lumber-25.28-Su; Mebulbs-598.36-Su; Mobotrex-236.00-Su; Ne Assn Trans Provid-50.00-Su; Printworks-198.35-Su; Nppd-15,511.27-Su; Dallas Newman-100.00-Su; O'reilly-122.82-Su; Office Service-600.68-Su; Og Rotary-120.00-Dues; Water Dept-598.09-Su; Og Youth Soccer-50.00-Su; Ace Hardware-235.80-Su; Open Range-200.00-Refund; Party Girl Creations-22.16-Su; Poppe's Diesel-637.36-Su; Potts Elec-3,852.48-Su; Prairie States Comm-572.85-Su; Psychological Resources-270.00-Se; Quick Elec-227.00-Su/Se; Quick Med Claims-606.98-Se; Rankin Sales-430.47-Su; R&D Welding-80.40-Su; Reams Sprinkler-108.33-Su; Reg West Med Cen-8,190.00-Se; Sandhills Plumbing-7,260.00-Su; Scotties Potties-1,150.00-Su/Se; Sewer Fund-42.73-Su; Sheks -71.00-Su; Springer's App-3,925.00-Su; Ne Dept Of Admin-77.00-Se; Stericycle-166.17-Se; T&K Tire-193.87-Su; Anna Unruh-100.00-Se; Us Bank-10,628.37-Su; Us Postal Svc-90.60-Su;

Select Flex:

Rci-1,535.14-P/R; Rci-535.38-P/R;

Water Dept:

Water Dept-55.02-Su; Ne Dept Of Rev-14,335.26-Salestx; Adams Bank-25.00-Se; Macqueen Equip-11,307.76-Su; Wolf Auto-36,193.00-Su; Allo-131.69-Su; Am Water Works-328.00-Dues; Am Ag Lab-156.00-Se; Napa-126.98-Su; Black Hills Energy-134.59-Su; Chs Grainland-894.61-Su; Contractors Materials-1,699.00-Su; Cornhusker Glass-70.00-Se; Gen Fund-41,285.03-Su/Se; Gworks-4,500.00-Se; Harcros Chemicals-2,637.29-Su; Humphreys-55.20-Su; Ideal Linen-92.22-Su/Se; Waste Conn-125.00-Se; Kimball Midwest-144.20-Su; Lawson Prod-648.06-Su; League Of Ne Muni-1,434.00-Dues; Lincoln Winwater-317.79-Su; Midwest Elec-7,528.48-Su; Muni Supply-2,698.93-Su; Myers Construc-99,746.92-Su; Nppd-4,956.97-Su; O'reilly-7.15-Su; Ace Hardware-46.62-Su; One Call Concepts-116.24-Se; R&D Welding-53.60-Su; Region 12 Backflow-85.00-Su; S&E Roll Offs-3,800.00-Se; Ne Health Lab-18.00-Se; Tc Engineering-44,316.00-Se; Usa Blue Book-84.95-Su; Us Bank-2,119.83-Su; Weathercraft Co-12,370.00-Su; Sharon Antonio-25.78-Refund; Indian Hills-15.92-Refund; Rolling Rock-52.65-Refund; Crystal Vasquez-13.47-Refund;

Sewer Treatment Fund:

Pump & Pantry-168.14-Su; Water Dept-90.75-Su; Adams Bank-25.00-Se; Allo-31.55-Su; Black Hills Energy-523.90-Su; Ditch Witch-71,403.18-Su; Eakes-571.80-Su; Gen Fund-28,949.88-Su/Se; Gworks-2,250.00-Se; Hach Co-1,498.00-Se; Hoa Solutions-841.50-Su; Holiday Inn-192.00-Su; Hydrotex-606.88-Su; Ideal Linen-67.96-Su/Se; Idexx-238.47-Su; Waste Conn-117.75-Se; Midwest Labs-299.50-Su; Muni Supply-64.89-Su; Nppd-4,772.66-Su; Office Service-21.54-Su; Ace Hardware-595.86-Su; Potts Elec-7,200.00-Su; Qa Balance-125.00-Su; Scotties Potties-12,026.50-Se; Usa Blue Book-78.88-Su; Us Bank-28,549.70-Su;

Fireworks Fund:

Gen Fund-19,000.00-Su; Printworks-773.42-Su;

Medical/Benefit:

City Of Og-260.00-Su; Rci-15,641.55-Ins; Rci-20,489.96-Ins; Rci-16,623.51-Ins; Rci-4,278.01-Ins; Rci-17,046.01-Ins;

Council Member Weddington moved to approve the claims payable to Adams Insurance Advisors in the amount of \$424.00. Council Member Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan and Darryl Weddington. No: None. Abstain: Deb Schilz. Absent: None. Motion declared carried.

Council Member Weddington moved to approve the Electronic Government Service Level Agreement with Nebraska Interactive, LLC dba NIC Nebraska and the Nebraska State Records Board and authorize the Council President to sign said agreement. 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.

Council Member Weddington moved to approve the Community Solar Project Agreement between the City of Ogallala and the Nebraska Public Power District with an escape clause if the project does not move forward. Council Member Block 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.

Lisa Kraus, KCAD, Mark Call, VK Designs and Rick Dupin addressed the council regarding the VK Design, LLC application.

Council Member Laflan moved to approve the Performance Based grant with VK Designs as follows: One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) upon closing on the purchase of the former Bomgaars building located at 820 East 1st Street (Mid-October 2021); Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) upon hiring 10 Employees who reside within 50 miles of Ogallala; and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) upon hiring an additional 10 Employees who reside within 50 miles of Ogallala, for a total of 20 employees, as reported on the State Unemployment Quarterly Wage and Tax Report. The State Unemployment Quarterly Wage and Tax Report, and a certification by employer that employees reside in Keith County, shall be delivered to the Ogallala City Clerk by the 20th of the month following the close of each quarter in which the performance targets have been reached. Council Member Block seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett, Kevin Block, Chris Laflan and Deb Schilz. No: None. Abstain: Darryl Weddington. Absent: None Motion declared carried.

Council Member Weddington introduced Resolution 2047, a resolution of Declared Nuisance. Council President Schilz read the resolution by title and Council Member Laflan 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 2047 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 amend the motion for the City Manager hiring process to include external applications as well as applications received internally from City employees. Applications for a City Manager Search Committee will be solicited to be appointed at the September 14, 2021 City Council Meeting. The committee will consist of nine members, seven being community members who are residents or business owners within Ogallala city limits. 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 discussed the fiscal year 2021-2022 budget progression. The City Council would like to see the water rates remain the same, with a \$2.00 increase in the Sewer Administration fee.

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

The City Council Members gave their 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) Keith County Area Development
 - 2) Library Board

E. City Council Member/County Commissioner/School Board Meeting

Council Member Block moved to adjourn. 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 and meeting adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

Jane M. Skinner
City Clerk

Approved:

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 August 24, 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.

Jane M. Skinner
City Clerk

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