

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 14, 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 14th day of September, 2021, at 7:19 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 September 10, 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 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 consent agenda was approved as follows:

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 24, 2021.
- B. Corporate Manager License for Krystal M Carter in connection with the Class D License for Casey's Retail Company.

Council President Schilz opened a hearing regarding the FY 2021-2022 Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request at 7:21 P.M.

Karla Scott, Deb Boutwell and Sally Haythorn addressed the Council requesting \$1,500 to support the children's events at the Rendezvous.

Council Member Bassett moved to approve the request for \$1,500 for support of children's events at the Ogallala Indian Summer Rendezvous. Council Member Weddington seconded the motion. The following council members voted Yes: Darrell G. Bassett and Kevin Block. No: Chris Laflan, Deb Schilz and Darryl Weddington. Absent: None. Motion declared failed.

Jane Skinner, City Clerk-Treasurer, presented the August 2021 Financial Report.

Council President Schilz closed a hearing regarding the FY 2021-2022 Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request at 7:34 P.M.

Council Member Weddington moved to approve the 1.00% increase in restricted funds above the base limitations for fiscal year 2021 – 2022. 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 moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 budget as presented. 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 Laflan introduced Resolution 2048, a resolution setting the FY 2021 – 2022 property tax request. 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 2048 is adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Council Member Weddington introduced Resolution 2049, a resolution amending the City of Ogallala Job Title – Salary Range Table. 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 2049 is adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Council Member Block introduced Resolution 2050, a resolution amending the City of Ogallala Airport, Parks and Utility Special Fee Schedule. Council President Schilz read the resolution by title and Council Member Bassett 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 2050 is adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Bruce Smith, City Manager, presented the City of Ogallala Five Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Council Member Weddington introduced Resolution 2051, a resolution creating an Ogallala City Manager Search Advisory Committee in the City of Ogallala, Nebraska. 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 2051 is adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Council Member Block moved to appoint the following citizens to the City Manager Search Committee: Chris Laflan, Darryl Weddington, Stacey Bauer, Amanda Christensen, Randy Fair, Sarah Havermann, Vicki Lynn Peters, Jeremy Smith and Mary Wilson. 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.

Council Member Bassett introduced Resolution 2052, a resolution reaffirming commitment to West Central Nebraska Development District, Inc of match payback in regard to Regional Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program, Awarded from The Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Funds, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 per home, for no more than five homes. 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 2052 is adopted, a copy of said Resolution being attached hereto and by this express reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Council Member Weddington moved to approve Change Order #1 for Crouch Recreation in the amount of \$5,553.00. 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 Laflan moved to approve the purchase of a John Deere 524 P Wheel loader from Murphy Equipment, including the matching coupler and bucket in the amount of \$173,000.00. Council Member Bassett 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 Laflan moved to continue the employment contract with City Manager Bruce Smith until October 18, 2021. 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.

Council Member Weddington 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 8:12 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 September 14, 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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