

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Monday, September 26, 2016

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 220 N. Hastings Avenue, on September 26, 2016.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session by Mayor Powers with the following members present: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel, Sarah Hoops, Michael Krings. Absent: None.

The Mayor led the group in recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Moved by Chuck Niemeyer seconded by Ginny Skutnik to adopt current agenda for September 26, 2016 Regular Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Powers read the Public Notice - Pursuant to the Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material which will be discussed at today's meeting is located at the back of the Council Chambers. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Council Chambers which is accessible to members of the public.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

Councilmember Goebel reported on the Board of Public Works meeting held September 15th. A "Build Hastings" workshop will be held at the Lark from 9a.m. to 4p.m. tomorrow. A report was given on the Aquifer Storage Restoration (ASR) project. A presentation was given by a representative of the State Revolving Fund program to finance part of the ASR project. There would be a 20-year loan of up to \$6 million available at a 2.5% fixed rate.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Powers read a Proclamation for Fire Prevention Week being held October 9th through 15th.

Mayor Powers encouraged students from the area to look into the Stanford University MBA Program, which is giving three full-ride scholarships to grow their brand and impart computer/technology to the Midwest. If interested, contact Mayor Powers or Dave Rippe (HEDC).

CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Sarah Hoops seconded by Ginny Skutnik to approve all consent items as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

(a) Approval of the minutes of the Council Meeting of September 12, 2016

(b) Approval of the payroll for the period ending September 24, 2016, paid September 30, 2016.

(c) Approval of the regular claims and authorizing the City Clerk to issue checks against the various funds for payment.

(d) Approve receiving and placing on file department monthly reports.

(e) Approval of the request of Hastings Family YMCA to utilize City streets for Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk on November 19, 2016.

(f) Approval of the request for CDBG funds, Drawdown #16 (\$38,257.32) for CDBG Downtown Revitalization Project 12-DTR-107, First Street Brewery (\$50,000.00) and Parking Lot (\$1,009.77).

REGULAR AGENDA:

Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

1.(a) Moved by Everett Goebel seconded by Phil Odom to bring from the table "Approval of the final plat of Lyman-Richey Subdivision".

Mark Evans, Building Inspector, stated the boundary issues have been worked out.

Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Moved by Chuck Niemeyer seconded by Ginny Skutnik to approve the Final Plat for Gerhold Concrete Subdivision (formerly Lyman-Richey Subdivision) as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Public Hearings.

2.(a) Public Hearing on amending the 2015-2016 Annual Budget.

Joe Patterson, City Administrator, explained the insurance claims against our Self-Insured Health Fund are exceptionally high this year. The City's fund went from \$3.5 to \$1.5 million in the last few years. The City is increasing health insurance premiums to employees to deter the declining balance of this fund. This money will come out of contingencies or cash reserves.

City Clerk received no objections. No public testimony was heard. Mayor Powers declared the hearing closed.

ORDINANCE NO. 4490. . AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 4449 WHICH ADOPTED THE 2015-2016 BUDGET STATEMENT; TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SELF-INSURED HEALTH FUND.

Said Ordinance was read by title and thereafter Councilmember Phil Odom moved for passage of the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember John Harrington.

The Mayor then stated the question "Shall Ordinance No. 4490 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote the following Councilmembers voted Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Councilmember Ginny Skutnik moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended; Councilmember Chuck Niemeyer seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote the following Councilmembers voted Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three fourths vote of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance.

The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted upon second and final reading and the Mayor signed and approved the ordinance. City Clerk attested the passage approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto. Published in the Hastings Tribune on September 30, 2016. Effective date of the ordinance is October 12, 2016.

General Business.

3.(a) Moved by Ginny Skutnik seconded by Kathy Duval to approve 4th Street, Telecommunications line Right of Way License Agreement with Glenwood Telephone to provide services to 4th Street and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute said agreement. Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

(b) Moved by John Harrington seconded by Everett Goebel to approve the Public Property License Agreement with NE Colorado Cellular, Inc. Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

(c) Moved by Everett Goebel seconded by Kathy Duval to approve the increase in height from 6 feet to 8 feet, for the fence at 103 N. Minnesota Ave. Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: Michael Krings. Absent: None. The motion carried.

Moved by Ginny Skutnik seconded by Michael Krings there being no further business to adjourn at 5:52p.m. Roll Call: Ayes: John Harrington, Kathy Duval, Phil Odom, Chuck Niemeyer, Michael Krings, Sarah Hoops, Ginny Skutnik, Everett Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

Vern P. Powers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly S. Jacobitz, City Clerk

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