

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Monday, February 1, 2021

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 February 1, 2021.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session by Mayor Stutte with the following members present: Butch Eley, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Jeniffer Beahm, Ginny Skutnik, Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann. Absent: Ted Schroeder.

The following City Officials were present: City Administrator, David Ptak; City Attorney, Clint Schukei; City Clerk, Kimberly Jacobitz; Police Chief, Adam Story; Asst. Fire Chief, Troy Vorderstrasse; Finance Director, Roger Nash; Information Technology, Erik Nielsen; Development Services Director, Lisa Parnell-Rowe; Director of Engineering, Lee Vrooman.

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

Moved by Butch Eley seconded by Ginny Skutnik to adopt current agenda for the February 1, 2021 Regular Meeting. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Wednesday, January 27, 2021. Pursuant to 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 Eley congratulated the city's new Assistant Fire Chief, Troy Vorderstrasse. He also thanked staff for the red and white stripes on stop sign posts at four-way stops.

Councilmember Skutnik reported the Hastings Museum is opening this week, as many of our facilities are doing.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Stutte congratulated Troy Vorderstrasse for being named as the city's new Assistant Fire Chief. He stated Troy will be sworn in during a ceremony this Thursday.

He also thanked all who sent him well wishes.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. All Consent Items.

Moved by Ginny Skutnik seconded by Matt Fong to approve all consent items, as presented. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

- (a) Approval of the minutes of the Council Meeting of January 11, 2021
- (b) Approval of claims and payroll
- (c) Approve receiving and placing on file department monthly reports
- (d) Approve Invoice No. 0000213 from THOAR, LLC in the amount of \$210,536.88 for Community Development Block Grant Projects 17-DTR-105 and 19-DTR-103
- (e) Approval of request for Community Development Block Grant funds, Drawdown #4, in the amount of \$124,403.97 for Community Development Block Grant Project 19-DTR-
- (f) Approval of request for Community Development Block Grant funds, Drawdown #15, in the amount of \$36,036.00 for Community Development Block Grant Project 17-DTR-105
- (g) Approval of Work Order EL-131, installation of electric line to Blue River Trucking's new building
- (h) Approval of Work Order EL-132, installation of electric line to serve CPI's liquid fertilizer building
- (i) Approval of Work Order EL-134, installation of streetlights along I Street
- (j) Approval of Work Order EL-148, install overhead transformer for streetlights
- (k) Approval of Work Order EL-149, install electric line along Frahm Lane and East Laux Drive

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

None.

3. Public Hearings.

- (a) Public hearing on the application of CF Altitude, LLC dba "Alta #6216" for a Class "D" Liquor License at 500 S. Burlington Avenue. Police Chief Story reported on this application. Their investigation saw nothing that disqualifies the applicant. No public spoke. No objections were received.

Moved by Ginny Skutnik seconded by Chuck Rosenberg to approve Resolution No. 2021-01 approving the application of CF Altitude, LLC dba "Alta #6216" for a Class "D" Liquor License at 500 S. Burlington Avenue. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

- (b) Moved by Matt Fong seconded by Butch Eley to approve of the manager application of Daniel J. Stroup in connection with the Class "D" Liquor License of CF Altitude, LLC dba "Alta #6216" located at 500 S. Burlington Avenue. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

4. General Business.

- (a) Moved by Chuck Rosenberg seconded by Ginny Skutnik to approve the agreement with BRB Contractors, Inc. for Primary Digester Improvements for the Pollution Control Facility. Lee Vrooman reported that bids were opened on January 7th. There were two bids received. BRB Contractors, Inc. was low bidder and performed similar work in 2016 on the secondary

digester, so they are familiar with the work. The digester is forty years old and is an essential part of the process for digesting solids at the plant. The bid was under the engineering estimate from HDR of \$1,500,000. BRB Contractors, Inc bid was in the amount of \$1,383,000 and is recommended for award. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

5. Ordinances and Resolutions.

(a) Moved by Butch Eley seconded by Ginny Skutnik to approve Resolution No. 2021-02 ratifying all actions taken by the City Council at its teleconference/videoconference meetings held December 14, 2020 and January 11, 2021. Dave Ptak reported this is a confirmation of all actions taken at teleconference meetings, similar to the resolution we passed the last time we had a long run of video conference council meetings. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

6. Final Passage of Ordinances.

None.

7. Appointments.

None.

8. Miscellaneous and Other Business.

None.

9. Closed Session.

Moved by Ginny Skutnik seconded by Chuck Rosenberg to go into closed session for reason of personnel at 5:41 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

Moved by Butch Eley seconded by Matt Fong to come out of closed session at 6:02 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

Moved by Ginny Skutnik seconded by Butch Eley there being no further business to adjourn at 6:02 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Matt Fong, Shawn Hartmann, Chuck Rosenberg, Joy Huffaker, Butch Eley, Ginny Skutnik, Jeniffer Beahm. Nays: None. Absent: Ted Schroeder. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

Corey Stutte, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly S. Jacobitz, City Clerk

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