

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAWNEE CITY, HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2010 AT 7:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL, 445 6TH STREET, ALL IN PAWNEE CITY, PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by advertising in the Pawnee Republican, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Affidavit of Publishing on file in the office of the City Clerk. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of the notice and the Agenda are on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Present: Mayor Duane Westing; Council Members: Deborah Klein, Roxann Buman, Tom Fisher and John DeFreece; Don Inglis/Shop Foreman; Carol L. Glathar/Deputy City Clerk.

Absent: None.

Visitors: Nanette Hatfield, Randy Miller, Sheriff Jayme Reed.

Mayor Duane Westing called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. informing all those present of the Posters stating the Open Meeting Law Changes on the East and North meeting room walls accessible to the public. Council Member DeFreece made a motion to accept the September 27, 2010 regular meeting minutes. Council Member Buman seconded the motion. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried.

The Treasurer submitted the following claims for consideration: **10/12/2010 Payroll** 6831.31; **NW Mutual**, retirement 1136.14; **Nebraska Child Support Payment Center** 51.70; **Petty Cash**, addt postage/Fisher memorial 49.34; **North Star Construction**, Housing Rehab paymt 9315.00; **S.F. Sandblasting & Painting**, Fire Hall/sanding, prime & paint 6475.00; **U.S. Post Office**, mailing util bills 108.44; **Blue Valley Door Co.**, Fire Hall-door openers/remotes 2455.00; **Feld Fire**, bunker gear/equipment 17,495.00; **Pawnee City Public School**, tobacco/liq lic & pkg ticket fees 1225.00; **Tamela Stephens**, reimb mileage 20.50; **Ne Dept of Health & Human Services**, Final Inspection Wtr System Proj fee 106.89; **JEO Consulting Group**, engin fees 4893.00; **Seneca SA**, garbage service 5087.12; **Black Hills Energy**, gas service 60.12; **Capital Business Systems**, copies 194.67; **Casey's General Store**, equipment fuel 571.03; **Cemetery Assoc**, approp 750.00; **Community Ins**, Firemen Workman Comp 1131.00; **Constellation New Energy**, Fire Hall gas costs 1.87; **Don Inglis**, reimb lunch costs 10.02; **Duane Westing**, reimb mileage/Hist.Soc mtg 70.00; **First Concord Benefits**, Oct deduct 21.00; **Great Plains One-Call Service**, digger hotline locates 125.89; **H&H Auto Parts**, equipment repair parts 44.76; **Hireright Solutions**, drug testing labwork 50.00; **Martene Enterprises**, tech services 40.00; **Midwest Labs**, wtr sample testing 111.10; **Municipal Supply, Inc.**, wire 150.17; **NE Municipal Power Pool**, computer refresher course 70.00; **NE Notary Assoc**, Notary fees 304.50; **NPPD**, electric services 4295.69; **Nider's Thriftway**, office supply 2.09; **Pawnee City Fire Dept**, approp 70.00; **Pawnee Co Rural Water District**, pond wtr hydrant 40.81; **Pawnee Co Court**, uncovered court costs 45.00; **Pawnee True Value**, office supplies/shop supplies/wtr parts/weed preventer 175.35; **Quill Corp**, office supplies 31.72; **Smith Auto**, loader repair 154.00; **SE Nebraska Cooperative**, dog food 25.57; **Stephen Henninger**, reimb lunch costs 10.02; **Time Warner Cable**, internet 154.90. Council Member Buman made a motion to accept the claims as submitted. Council Member Klein seconded the motion. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried.

Randy Miller, Community Insurance Group – Randy Miller, Community Insurance Group, was present to review the City's current insurance policy. Randy Miller showed comparison with what the City has now (Actual Cost Value/ACV) vs costs for Replacement Cost Value (RCV). Miller also went over the EMC Insurance's inspection report for water damage to the Library building, shelving and books, a claim filed August 19, 2010. The cause/description of the loss was exterior water due to a low spot in the roof surface allowing water to pool. Overtime, the water eroded the roofing material that cracked, allowing water into the structure. Water impacted the first floor book shelves/books and a basement bathroom. The City's EMC insurance policy does not cover water seeping into the building because of lack of maintenance. Council directed the Clerk to invite Randy Miller back to the October 25th City Council meeting to further discuss and review replacement cost amounts and deductibles, and to make decision on insurance coverage. Council members and Randy Miller agreed that a quarterly visit from the Community Insurance Group would be beneficial for the City, to help in keeping the policy updated and current on the coverage.

SHERIFF JAYME REED, Discuss Interlocal Agreement with County on Dogs; Review 3rd Quarter Patrol Hours – Sheriff Reed was present and discussed the preliminary Interlocal Agreement with the County on dogs that she had been working on. She explained that agreement was preliminary and only in the beginning stages, that the County Commissioners had not seen the agreement yet. She asked that the Council review the agreement she provided and she will run the agreement through the Commissioners for their review. Sheriff Reed provided a list of patrol hours for the quarter.

JOHN DAHLGREN, Library Building Committee – Library Project concerning rocking and raising alley, consideration of one-way and sewer line – John Dahlgren, representative for the Library

Building Committee, asked that Library Project rocking/raising the alley for sewer line and consideration of one-way be removed as agenda item be rescheduled to the October 25th City Council meeting. No discussion and item tabled to the October 25th City Council meeting.

Review letter from NE State Historic Preservation Review Board on approving the nomination of the Pawnee City Carnegie Library to be listed on the Register. Council reviewed the letter from the Nebraska State Historic Preservation Review Board approving the Pawnee City Carnegie Library to the National Register of Historic Places. The nomination will now be forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, for final review. If approved, it will be listed in the Register.

Review paperwork on PRO Lease Agreement with NPPD – Council reviewed paperwork that provided information of the City’s current PRO Lease Agreement with Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD). The City is currently in a 25-year term (1990–2014) agreement that leases the electrical system to NPPD. NPPD is responsible for operation and maintenance of the system, 12% lease payment for first fifteen years, going up to 14% thereafter.

Review Resolution #1(10-11) authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to execute documents between City and USDA-Rural Development, as to effect the recycling trailer application for assistance – Council reviewed Resolution #1(10-11) between the City and USDA-Rural Development for recycling trailer application assistance. Council member DeFreece moved to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute Resolution #1(10-11) authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute documents between the City and USDA Rural Development to execute the recycling trailer application for assistance. Seconded by Council member Klein. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried.

NCIP Banquet in Kearney, November 19th - All Day Meetings with Good Speakers and Evening Supper included. Yvonne Dalluge would like someone to attend to represent Pawnee City; Registration forms included in packet. Yvonne Dalluge provided NCIP Banquet registration form, encouraging Council to attend the NCIP meetings in Kearney, November 19th. Council member DeFreece moved to pay for mileage, meals and registration fees for City employee, City Council member or Mayor to attend the NCIP Banquet in Kearney, November 19, 2010. Seconded by Council member Klein. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried.

Emergency Siren Meeting that John Vetrovsky & Tammy attended; review e-mail from Jen Olds on workshops held – John Vetrovsky and Clerk Tamela Stephens attended the SE Nebraska Early Warning System Project meeting in Tecumseh on Thursday, September 30th. Jen Olds of the Southeast Nebraska Development District (SEND) conducted the informational meeting providing a tentative timeline for the implementation of the project. The goal is to complete the bid process by April 2011 and start purchasing/installing equipment by June 2011. Hoping to complete the entire project no later than September 20, 2011.

90-Day Probationary Period Review letter on Tina – Council reviewed correspondence from Clerk Stephens that provided a positive 90-day Probationary evaluation for Tina Moore, the City’s new part-time office clerk hired in July. Council member DeFreece moved to accept Clerk Stephen’s recommendation for part-time employee Tina Moore, to remove Moore from probation and to allow clothing allowance for the purchase of her work shirts. Seconded by Council member Klein. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried.

Updates on Water Project – Shop Foreman Inglis reported that the contractors are almost done with the Water Project. They will begin with grass seeding soon.

Discuss 90-Day Probationary Period Review on Jeff Spier–see minutes on .50-cent increase after 90-day probationary period – Foreman Inglis reported that Jeff Spier had completed his 90-Day Probationary period and that he has been happy with his work. Council member Klein moved to accept Shop Foreman Inglis recommendation on Jeff Spier’s work performance and increase Spier’s pay by .50 cents an hour and to allow him a clothing allowance. Seconded by Council member Buman. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried.

Discuss updates @ City Pond-new camper pads – Foreman Inglis reported that the City Pond has (2) new camper pads with electricity and water to them. Camper pad #6, the one that had been without electric and water, was also connected to make a total of (8) camper pads available with water & electric services.

Discuss Playground Equipment at City Pond, fundraisers, etc. Council member DeFreece reported that he had been contacted by a few people with an interest of funding-raising for playground equipment for out at the City Pond. Council discussed and approved Council member DeFreece’s request to speak to individuals and look into funding sources for the playground equipment.

Council member DeFreece provided an invoice from Moser Tree Service for tree purchases, tree removal and transplanting in the amount of \$1,100. The Tree Board had money in their budget for replacing (3) red oak trees at the cemetery, (1) maple tree at the mini-park, removal of a tree in Betty Kime's yard and transplanting (2) Redbud trees. DeFreece reported that the Tree Board would be dividing the town into four sections, taking a section at a time to remove tree limbs from above streets and sidewalks.

Review e-mail from JEO to Marty Norton, USDA on status of both sewer projects – Slip Lining & Wastewater Treatment Facility – Council reviewed an email from JEO to Marty Norton, USDA, on the status of the Slip Lining and Wastewater Treatment Facility projects. Lucas Billesbach will be meeting with City Crew on October 18th to have a preliminary review of the projects.

Obtaining Sewer Easement signatures is going well – around six left to get signatures from; Clerk Stephens sent letters out to three of them, as they had not returned her phone calls to set up a time to meet with them. Clerk Stephens and Clint Johnson have been obtaining Sewer Easement signatures. There are currently six signatures left to go. She will continue calling to set up times to meet with these property owners.

Review correspondence: Council reviewed correspondence from Robert Antholz and the Cemetery Association's September 2010 Financial Statement.

Council Member Fisher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member DeFreece seconded the motion. Roll Call vote indicated all present voting in favor of the motion, whereupon motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Duane Westing, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Carol L. Glathar, Deputy City Clerk