

City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Monday, April 16, 2018

Regular Meeting

Item Consent1

Approve the minutes of the April 2, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Staff Contact: Cindy Dickinson, City Clerk

The Scottsbluff City Council met in a regular meeting on April 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 2525 Circle Drive, Scottsbluff. A notice of the meeting had been published on March 30, 2018, in the Star Herald, a newspaper published and of general circulation in the City. The notice stated the date, hour and place of the meeting, that the meeting would be open to the public, that anyone with a disability desiring reasonable accommodations to attend the Council meeting should contact the City Clerk's Office, and that an agenda of the meeting kept continuously current was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk in City Hall; provided, the City Council could modify the agenda at the meeting if it determined that an emergency so required. A similar notice, together with a copy of the agenda, also had been emailed to each council member, made available to radio stations KNEB, KMOR, KOAQ, and television stations KSTF and NBC Nebraska, and the Star Herald. The notice was also available on the city's website on March 30, 2018.

Mayor Meininger presided and City Clerk Dickinson recorded the proceedings. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Meininger welcomed everyone in attendance and encouraged all citizens to participate in the Council meeting asking those wishing to speak to come to the microphone and state their name and who they are representing for the record. Mayor Meininger informed those in attendance that a copy of the Nebraska open meetings act is posted in the back of the room on the west wall for the public's review. The following Council Members were present: Randy Meininger, Mark McCarthy Raymond Gonzales, Scott Shaver, and Jordan Colwell. Also present was City Manager Johnson and City Attorney Kent Hadenfeldt. Absent: None.

Mayor Meininger asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none.

Mayor Meininger asked if any citizens with business not scheduled on the agenda wished to include an item providing the City Council determines the item requires emergency action. There were none.

Moved by Council Member Gonzales seconded by Council Member McCarthy that,

1. "The minutes of the March 19, 2018 Regular Meeting be approved,"
2. "Council to approve the re-appointment of Cathy Eastman to a five year term on the Community Redevelopment Authority," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, and Gonzales. "NAYS", Shaver. Absent: None.

Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Mayor Colwell, "that the following claims be approved and paid as provided by law out of the respective funds designated in the list of claims dated April 2, 2018, as on file with the City Clerk and submitted to the City Council," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Gonzales and Shaver. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

CLAIMS

ACTION COMMUNICATIONS INC.,2 NEW TORNADO SIRENS (FEMA GRANT),50014.85; ALARM SECURITY TECHNICIANS,4 INFRARED SECURITY CAMERAS,3926.8; AMERICAN BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSOCIATION,MEMBERSHIPS,65; AUTOZONE STORES, INC, EQUIP MTNC, 405.97; B & D DIAMOND PRO,GROUND MAINT,3720; B & H INVESTMENTS, INC,DEP. SUP.,62; B&C STEEL CORPORATION,EQUIP MTNC,370.72; BIRUTA D. WALTON,EQUIP MTNC,309.35; BLACK HILLS GAS DISTRIBUTION LLC,MONTHLY ENERGY BILL,4964.17; BLUFFS SANITARY SUPPLY INC.,DEPT SUPPLIES,222.34; CARR- TRUMBULL LUMBER CO, INC.,DEPT SUP,3.2; CELLCO PARTNERSHIP,CELL PHONES-PD,481.4; CENCON, LLC,CONTRACTUAL SVC,750; CHILD SUPPORT,CHILD SUPPORT,12; CHRIS REYES,DEPT SUPP,440.88; CITIBANK N.A.,DEPT SUP,905.62; CITY OF SCB, POSTAGE/CIP PO-PD,97.97; CLARK PRINTING LLC,LAMINATE ICS CHARTS,274.2; COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY,INSURANCE,48.7; CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY, SCHOOLS & CONF-PD,318.66; CONTRACTORS MATERIALS INC.,GROUNDS MAINT,270.05;

CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC.,WAGE ATTACHMENT,216.52; CRESCENT ELECT. SUPPLY COMP INC,DEPT SUPP,129.35; CROELL INC,DEPT SUP,218.28; CYNTHIA GREEN, DEPT SUPP,208.98; DALE VITITO,CIP-PO PATROL CARS,5604.36; DALMATIAN FIRE EQUIPMENT, SCBA BOTTLE TESTING,651.68; DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL FINANCE,MONTHLY LONG DISTANCE,172; ELLIOTT EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC.,EQUIP MTNC,1205.91; ELXSI,CONTRACTUAL SVC,3750; EMBLEM'S INC,UNIFORMS-PD,288.7; ENERGY LABORATORIES, INC,SAMPLES,135; FASTENAL COMPANY,EQUIP MAINT,60.27; FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION,POSTAGE,51.34; FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER, INC,EQUIP MTNC,1540.27; FYR-TEK INC,FIRE HOSE,9714; GALLS INC,UNIFORMS-PD,361.49; GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL CORPORATION,PRGRM.,557.15; HAWKINS, INC.,CHEMICALS,1777.55; HULLINGER GLASS & LOCKS INC.,DEPT SUPP,84; HYDROTEX PARTNERS, LTD,OIL & ANTIFREEZE,1773.87; IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, INC.,SUPP - MATS, TOWELS, 513.57; INDEPENDENT PLUMBING AND HEATING, INC,BLDG MAINT,64.67; INFO USA MARKETING,DEPT SUPP,720; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES INC,BKS.,237.38; INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE, EQUIP MTNC,410.98; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, WITHHOLDINGS, 56836.88; INTRALINKS, INC, SOFTWARE - BARRACUDA,2095.47; INVENTIVE WIRELESS OF NE, LLC,CONTRACTUAL, 9.95; JAY C HAGERMAN, CONTRACTUAL SVC, 175; JESSE LAURUHN,TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR SAR SEAT RECERT,50; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, CIP,11229.94; KIESEL, ROB, SCHOOLS & CONF-PD,25; KIRK BERNHARDT, CONTRACTUAL,900; KNOW HOW LLC,EQUIP MTNC,987.84; KRIZ DAVIS, EQUIP MAINT,308.5; KUHLMAN, BOBBI,SCHOOLS & CONF-PD,50; LANDAUER, INC,EQUIP MAINT-PD,73.5; M.C. SCHAFF & ASSOCIATES, INC,DEPT CNTRCL SRVCS,1665; MAILFINANCE INC,MONTHLY LEASE,148.76; MATT HERBEL,SCHOOLS & CONF-PD,25; MENARDS, INC,DEPT SUP,185.77; METECH RECYCLING, INC, DISPOSAL FEES,11614.51; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC,WAGE ATTACHMENT,526.43; MIDLANDS NEWSPAPERS, INC,ADM YRLY SUBSCRIPTION,231.24; MIDWEST MACHINERY & SUPPLY CO,SUPP FOR GUARD RAIL - POSTS, BOLTS,1200.66; MIZE, ROBERT,UNIFORMS & CLOTHING,105.97; NATHAN PARRISH,CAR SEAT TECH RECERT CLASS TRAVEL,50; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER,NE CHILD SUPPORT PYBLE,2216.18; NE COLORADO CELLULAR, INC,CONTRACTUAL SVC,75.52; NE DEPT OF HLTH & HUMAN SVCS,MEMBERSHIP,40; NEBRASKA MACHINERY CO,EQUIP MTNC,2594.29; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT,ELECTRIC,23410.32; NORTHERN LAKE SERVICE, INC,SAMPLES,10480; NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC. OF SCOTTSBLUFF,BLDG MAINT,25.5; PANHANDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC, SAMPLES,160; PANHANDLE HUMANE SOCIETY, CONTRACTUAL, 5174.59; PLATTE VALLEY BANK,HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT,15120.56; POSTMASTER, POSTAGE,284.87; QUILL CORPORATION,DEPT & INVEST SUPPL-PD,365.35; REGIONAL CARE INC,HEALTH INS. PREMIUM - APRIL 2018,66059.3; REGISTER OF DEEDS,LEGAL,20; RIGHT BRAIN UNLIMITED,GROUND MAINT,739.22; RIVERSIDE ZOOLOGICAL FOUNDATION, CONTRACTUAL,87500; ROBERT GARZA,REIMBURSEMENT FOR CDL, 57.5; ROOSEVELT PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT,ELECTRIC POWER,1822.99; S M E C, EMPLOYEE DEDUCTION, 194; SALES MIDWEST INC,EQUIP MAINT,497.68; SCB FIREFIGHTERS UNION LOCAL 1454,FIRE EE DUES, 225; SCOTTIES POTTIES INC, CONTRACTUAL, 675; SCOTTSBLUFF MOTOR CO, INC,EQUIP MTNC,475; SCOTTSBLUFF POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION,POLICE EE DUES,576; SCOTTSBLUFF SCREENPRINTING & EMBROIDERY, LLC,UNIFORMS-PD,40; SCOTTSBLUFF WINSUPPLY COMPANY,GROUND MAINT, 2152.75; SHERIFF'S OFFICE, LEGAL FEES-PD,173.58; SIMON CONTRACTORS, KENO, 4488.33; SNELL SERVICES INC.,BDLG MAINT,668.5; SOUTHERN UNIFORM EQUIPMENT, DUTY UNIFORMS, 201; STARR LEHL,EXPENSE - NIFA CONFERENCE,24.68; STATE HEALTH LAB, SAMPLES,1594; SUPERIOR SIGNALS, INC,EQUIP MTNC,93.86; TEXAS STATE DISBURSEMENT UNIT,CHILD SUPPORT,172.5; TRANS IOWA EQUIPMENT LLC,EQUIP MTNC,50.24; TWIN CITY AUTO, INC, EAST OVERLAND REVITALIZATION GRANT,10000;

TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC,UB ONLINE 4/1/18 - 4/30/18,348; UNION BANK & TRUST, RETIREMENT, 36193; US BANK,CONTRACTUAL SVC,2166.43; VAN PELT FENCING CO, INC, GROUND MAINT,1307.81; WESTERN COOPERATIVE COMPANY,EQUIP MAINT,60.12; WESTERN LIBRARY SYSTEM,CONT. SRVCS.,36.5; WESTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT,HR CONFERENCE - JANA BODE 4-10-18,80; WIN INVESTMENTS INC, SCHOOLS & CONF,359.73; WRIGHT WESLEY,SCHOOLS & CONF,320; WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY SUPPLY, LLC,DEPT SUPPLIES,130.68; ZM LUMBER INC,GROUND MAINT,92.5; REFUNDS: GLORIA IRONSHELL 49.25; JESSICA CREEL 3.41; BRETT HEMPHILL 76.13.

Mayor Meininger welcomed Westmoor Elementary School Student, Jessalyn Mendoza, who had sent a letter to the City Council asking them to try to get another restaurant in town, specifically, Buffalo Wild Wings. Mayor Meininger told Jessalyn that he wanted her to know that the City Council does read all letters they receive and encouraged her and her friends to continue to communicate with the City Council. The students are the next leaders of our community and he encouraged them to get involved with city government. He also informed Jessalyn that our Economic Development Director, Starr Lehl, is working very hard to bring new restaurants and businesses to our area.

Marv Richard, President of West Nebraska Arts Center, presented three special arts-related wine permits for three events. He explained that these are artist receptions, similar to past events. They have never had issues with serving wine at these events. Police Chief Spencer also commented that they have never had issues with the events at the Art Center. Moved by Council Member McCarthy, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to make a positive recommendation to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission, approving issuance of special arts-related event wine permits for the West Nebraska Arts Center, 106 East 18th Street and special designated liquor licenses for three events on June 28, 2018; August 30, 2018; and December 6, 2018," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Gonzales and Shaver. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

Terry Rajewich, Accounts Manager for Nebraska Public Power District, presented the Scotts Bluff County Trend Study. The report focused on Labor Force and Employment; Resident and Work Flow Patterns; Population changes due to migration and mortality; Retail Sales and Pull Factors. The population of Scottsbluff is declining, however, the pull factor for retail sales is 2.08%, signifying that we are a strong retail center for this area.

Council introduced the Ordinance amending the fee schedule for personnel and equipment which was read by title on third reading: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 6, SECTION 34, SETTING FORTH THE CHARGE FOR THE LABOR OF CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF EMPLOYEES AND USE OF CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF EQUIPMENT, ELIMINATING THE REFERENCES TO THE USE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT, ADDING NEW FEES FOR ADDITIONAL ITEMS, REPEALING PRIOR PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM.**

Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Shaver, "to approve Ordinance No. 4227 for final passage," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Shaver and Gonzales. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

City Manager Johnson explained that with the passage of Ordinance No. 4227, we updated our agreement with Terrytown for street sweeping and paint striping to reflect these changes. Terrytown will consider the contracts at their next meeting. Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Council Member McCarthy, "to approve the Agreements with Terrytown for Street Sweeping and Striping and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreements," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Shaver and Gonzales. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

Starr Lehl, Economic Development Director, presented the East Overland Façade Improvement Grant application from Reganis Auto Center. This application was originally tabled by the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) because the application was for the installation of energy efficient windows in the showroom. The revised application is for awnings or canopies to be installed to protect their vehicle inventory from inclement weather and dust from the sugar factory. The total project is over

\$378,000 for two canopies. The CRA committee voted unanimously to approve the grant amount of \$9,678.30, which is the balance in the fund. Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to approve the East Overland Grant Application from Reganis Auto in the amount of \$9,678.30," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Shaver and Gonzales. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

Ms. Lehl presented the Economic Assistance grant project for the Candy Barn Express, LLC, which is a request for a \$50,000.00 loan based on employment for a local candy packaging and transportation business. Mr. Patrick Maag, owner, explained that the goal of his business is to grow the packaging and distribution of his products. They currently source popcorn and sugar from local farmers. They are serving over 500 retail locations from coast to coast, with a growth rate of 20% each year. 90% of their sales are outside of Nebraska, mainly to attractions, candy stores and specialty stores. The grant funds will help to escalate this growth. Mr. Maag plans to grow his social enterprise through assistance from the social services office to employ people with special needs.

The funds from this grant will be used to finish the build out and enhance the Candy Barn Express marketing plan. Council Member Shaver commented that this project is exactly how these funds should be used. Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to approve the Economic Assistance Grant for the Candy Barn Express, LLC," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Shaver and Gonzales. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

Under public comments, Mr. Nathan Green informed the Council that a local nursing home has had a setback in funding, however, the employees continued to work without pay showing a commitment to our community.

Under Council reports, Mayor Meininger reported that he will attend the Senior Center meeting on Tuesday,

Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, McCarthy, Shaver and Gonzales. "NAYS", None. Absent: None.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk
"SEAL"