

Sidney, Nebraska, November 26, 2019 A Fair Housing City

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Sidney, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:15 P.M. on November 12, 2019 in the Council Room. Present were: Mayor Gallaway and Council Members: Sherman and Radcliffe. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen. Others present: City Manager Sadler, City Attorney Sonntag and City Clerk Heilbrun. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in *The Sidney Sun Telegraph*, the designated method for giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the City Council. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Gallaway informed the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Sherman moved, Radcliffe seconded "That Councilmen Arterburn and Olsen be excused from the meeting." Roll call vote: Yeas: All council members present. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen.

Radcliffe moved, Sherman seconded "That the minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting be approved as printed." Roll call vote: Yeas: All council members present. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen.

Economic Development Director, Melissa Norgard, presented the names of Karen Vera and Marva Ellwanger for four-years terms to the Historic Preservation Board. She also noted that there is one additional vacancy which must be filled by a downtown building owner in the expanded historic district. There are three individuals interested in the position. She will present the final name for appointment at the next regular city council meeting.

Sherman moved, Radcliffe seconded "That Karen Vera and Marva Ellwanger be appointed to the Historic Preservation Board for 4-year terms." Roll call vote: Yeas: All council members present. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen.

Parks Superintendent, Tom VonSeggern, presented a request for the purchase of a ¾ ton 4x4 pickup truck as per the 2019-2020 budget. He asked that the bid from Panhandle Auto Group of \$31,403.40 (which was below the amount budgeted and the Nebraska State Materials Contract Award Bid) be accepted.

Sherman moved, Radcliffe seconded "That the bid of \$31,403.40 for a ¾ ton 4x4 pickup truck for the Parks Department be awarded to Panhandle Auto Group." Roll call vote: Yeas: All council members present. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen.

Discussion was held regarding the council meeting dates in December due to the Christmas holiday. It was noted that in the past there has been only one meeting of the Council when Christmas falls in the same week as a meeting.

Radcliffe moved, Sherman seconded "That there be only one meeting of the City Council in December which will be held on the 10th." Roll call vote: Yeas: All council members present. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen.

City Manager Sadler answered questions regarding the Budget Reports for October, 2019. Sherman moved, Radcliffe seconded "That the Budget Reports for October, 2019 for all city departments be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: All council members present. Absent: Arterburn and Olsen.

City Manager/Staff Report: City Manager Sadler reported that proposed ordinance changes to the water and electric rates will be on the next agenda; the City will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday; Urged everyone to attend the craft fair at the Community Center this Sunday

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

/s/ ROGER GALLAWAY, MAYOR

ATTEST: /s/CYNTHIA K HEILBRUN, CITY CLERK

