

Sidney, Nebraska, April 11, 2023 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 5:30 p.m. on April 11, 2023 in the Council Room. Present in person were: Mayor Sherman and Council Members: Strommen, Gallaway, Radcliffe and Bondegard. Others present: City Manager Scott, City Clerk Borchert, Attorney Leef. 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 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 Sherman informed the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Mayor Sherman asked for approval of the minutes from the Council meeting held on March 28, 2023. Strommen moved, Bondegard seconded, "That the minutes from the Council meeting held on March 28, 2023 be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Strommen, Gallaway, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Amanda Eastin, Library Director, requested that Mayor Sherman proclaim the week of April 23-29, 2023 as National Library Week. Mayor Sherman read the proclamation and declared that week as National Library Week.

Tom VonSeggern, Parks Superintendent, stated that April 28, 2023 is Arbor Day in Nebraska. An annual Arbor Day Celebration with the City Tree Give-Away will be April 22 at the Lodgepole Valley Youth Camp. Registration will begin at 7:00 am. VonSeggern requested that the Mayor read and sign the Arbor Day Proclamation so the City could apply for 2023 Tree City USA designation at the end of the year. Mayor Sherman read and signed the Arbor Day Proclamation.

VonSeggern requested approval for reappointments for Ryan Reisdorff and Steven Waller to serve on the Tree Board for the term ending April 24, 2026. Sherman asked for a motion. Radcliffe moved, Gallaway seconded, "That Ryan Reisdorff and Steven Waller be approved to serve on the Tree Board until April 24, 2026 term." Roll call vote: Yeas: Gallaway, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen. Nays: None. Motion passed.

VonSeggern requested approval to have Weathercraft Company replace the roof at the Cemetery. VonSeggern stated that the City went out for bids on two occasions with no response. VonSeggern stated that staff reached out by phone to four companies which only one turned in a bid by the deadline. Sherman asked for a motion. Gallaway moved, Bondegard seconded, "That Weathercraft Company's bid of \$13,589.00 be accepted to replace the cemetery roof." Roll call vote: Yeas: Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen, Gallaway. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Dianne Stoutenburg, Sidney resident, inquired as to why chickens are not allowed inside City limits. Mayor Sherman responded that Stroutenburg would need to start the process to change the current ordinance with the Planning Commission. Gallaway further explained that if the Planning Commission recommended a change, it would come back to Council in ordinance form.

Michael Palmer, Electric Superintendent, presented a gas selection power point to explain the procedure of filling out the gas choice selection forms. Palmer concluded the presentation by informing the public that there will be an additional presentation and refreshments at City Hall on April 13 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am.

Mayor Sherman opened a public hearing at 6:10 pm, for **Resolution 20230401**, regarding the 2023 One & Six Year Street Improvement Plan. Hank Radtke, Street Superintendent, gave a power point presentation. Radtke stated that per statute 39-2115, each municipality shall develop a long-range, six-year plan of street improvements. Radtke reported that 50% of the funds are determined by population, 30% by motor vehicle registrations and 20% by total number of miles of traffic lanes. Sherman closed the meeting at 6:18 pm. Sherman asked for a motion. Bondegard moved, Radcliffe seconded, "Per Resolution 20230401, the 2023 One & Six Year Street Improvement Plan be passed and adopted, this 11th day of April, 2023." Roll call vote: Yeas: Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen, Gallaway, Sherman. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Radtke requested Council approval to accept the bid from Hein Construction for crack sealing. Radtke stated that a notice for proposals for crack sealing were published as required. Two proposals were received from Hein Construction and Bader's Highway & Street. Hein Construction was the lower bid at \$.39 verses Bader's at \$.58 per linear foot. Radtke recommends accepting the lower bid from Hein Construction. Mayor Sherman asked for a motion. Gallaway moved, Strommen seconded, "That the bid, \$.39 per linear foot, from Hein Construction be accepted for crack sealing for 2023." Roll call vote: Yeas: Bondegard, Strommen, Gallaway, Sherman, Radcliffe. Nays: None. Motion passed.

David Scott, City Manager, requested approval for the grant application and agreement for \$75,000.00 site and building development funds to be granted to the City of Sidney and then granted to New Freedom Yurt Structures. Trent Santero spoke on behalf of New Freedom Structures. Brittany Hardin, Department of Economic for the State of NE, was also present to support Freedom Yurt Cabins. Hardin stated that they have partnered with the City of Sidney in the past and would like to partner with the City again. Sherman asked for a motion. Radcliffe moved, Gallaway seconded, "That the grant application and agreement for \$75,000 be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Strommen, Gallaway, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Finance Director, Lane Kizzire, presented the Budget Reports for March 2023. Sherman asked for a motion to approve the budgets. Bondegard moved, Strommen seconded, "That the budget reports for March 2023 be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Gallaway, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Mayor Sherman asked for approval of the March 2023 claims. Gallaway moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That the claims for March 2023 be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen, Gallaway. Nays: None. Motion passed.

"That the following claims for March 2023, are hereby approved and should be paid as provided by law out of the respective funds in the city treasury." (Abbreviation for claims: bd bond, ct contract, du dues, eq equipment, ex expenses, fu fuel, in insurance, re

reimbursements, sa salaries, se service, su supplies, tt travel/training, tr transfers, tx tax, ut utilities)

21st Century eq 421.29, 216.96; 3E Electrical su 96.76, Accelerated Receivables se 367.05; American Enviro se 1625.15; B&C Steele su 172.22; Bad Birdie Golf eq 2097.00; Baird Holm Attorneys se 18000.00; Barker Cleaners se 33.00; Beacon Athletics su 1640.00; Best Plumbing se 2083.90, 708.36; Black Hills Energy ct 5254.09, 695.96, 1198.57, 41.49, 1283.13, 347.98, 3170.84; BOKF ct 9160.21; Bomgaars su 137.51, 292.84, 197.53; Lori Borchert tt 401.13; Brandt Appraisal se 4500.00; Callaway Golf eq 1932.48; Capital Counseling se 475.00; Capital One su 56.68; Caselle ct 1828.00; Charter se 239.96, 109.98; Cheyenne Co Clerk se 2929.88; Cheyenne Co Community Center ct 9500.00; Cheyenne Co Court se 34.00; Cheyenne Co Emergency Comm Center ct 35003.52; City of Sidney bd ex re se tr tx 14632.82; 250.00, 3000.00, 31940.00, 115984.25, 31125.00, 21265.00, sa 26249.30, 10511.53, 8588.62, 14885.24, 103481.58, 18101.87, 97653.48, 14872.63, 16794.17, 25247.44, 9670.78, 10564.57, in 1254.53, 570.74, 406.89, 730.74, 5686.81, 949.17, 65758.75, 7157.59, 9319.00, 12158.06, 5618.30, 6175.90, ut 2482.97, 2444.31, 22.90, 211.21, 2176.86, 131.84, 65.64, 1860.67, 8704.59, 2345.26, 12685.63, 149.76; Contractor Materials su 320.35; Country Printer su 155.00; Cranmore Lawn ct 48776.27; Cranmore Pest se 50.00, 100.00, 100.00; Cross Canyon Engineering se 7917.75; Culligan se 29.95, 7.50, 29.95; Day & Night se 252.54; Deaver Tire se 40.00, 18.00; Dept of Energy ut 16776.85; DHHS Accounting re 210.74; Dicks's Flooring ex 402.37; Digital Alley se 545.00; DP Electronics su se 1170.95, 206.38, 6.42; E&S Auto su 821.21, 27.38, 742.51, 1061.18, 248.51, 336.25, 399.23; Eakes su 88.96, 115.92, 99.44; Eichner Sales su 343.38; Elan Financial su se tt 10554.07, 57.59, 1378.04, 111.50, 1289.78, 205.43; Enviro se 150.00; Finneys su 138.24, 17.58, 42.74, 6.44, 250.99, 122.93, 63.96; Flood Communications se 200.00; Floyd's Truck su 122.07, 18.85; Frenchman Valley fu 6553.95, 3762.34, 1426.05, 1249.64, 710.65, 1113.00; Fyr Tek su 38.04; Grainger eq 373.52, 623.70, 365.82; Hall, Marshall tt 152.25; Hamilton se 165.15, 99.90, 49.95; Holmes, Jim tt 56.00; Hometown Leasing ct 159.98, 136.21; Ideal Linen se 227.40, 163.72; JJ Plumbing se 5736.52; Kantor, Kasey tt 80.00; LL Johnson eq 70.71; Landis & Gyr ct 795.64; League of NE du 73.75, 260.00; Leal, Ron ct 450.00; Live View se 958.80; Long Kyle tt 56.00; Lubrication Engineers su 460.34; MacQueen Equipment eq 163.75, 94.50; Municipal Supply su 520.06; Munimetrix Systems se 39.99; Napa su 132.28; NE Dept of Revenue tx 59081.85; NE Law Enforcement se 30.85; NE Panhandle Golf du 100.00; NE Public Health du 32.00; NE Safety & Fire eq 372.00; NE Salt & Grain su 3816.79; NT&T se 1839.88, 175.21, 289.62, 370.84, 70.65, 105.46; NEland Tire se 25.00; NMC eq 555.21; NMVCA du 105.00; Norgard, Melissa se 480.00; Northwest Pipe su 271.33, 384.29; One Call se 61.74, 61.74; Peetz Coop fu 5736.52; Plainsman Electric se 300.00; Prairie States Communications su 356.35; Pro Overhead Door eq 1325.25; Quadient Leasing se 750.00; Radtke, Chad tt 56.00; Rauner & Asso ct 50740.00; Rokmount Research se 529.60; Rood's se 17.00; RT Service se 154.97; Ruybal, Russell re 200.00; Sandberg Implement su 201.40; Scott, David tt 324.35; Scotties Potties se 560.00; Segelke Janitorial ct 825.00; Sherman, Brad tt 142.79; SRMC se 210.00; Sidney Sun Telegraph 1206.80; Sign Solutions su 1350.37; Sirchie Acquisition Co su 322.15; Sonny's su 18.94, 78.01; Splish Splash se 103.98, 9.67; Spring Creek ct 434.42; Srixon eq 2130.00; Sterling, Dean tt 162.00; Strommen, Paul tt 493.76; Sunday Swagger eq 2555.00; Sweetser, Tiffany re 117.95; T&L Cleaning ct 275.00; Titan Machinery eq 470.07; Triple O's su 176.27, 9.75, 67.07; Tritt, Joseph tt 270.00; United Laboratories eq 854.50; USA Bluebook su 363.60; USGA Green Section du 2350.00; Verizon se 377.00, 813.87, 85.56, 42.78, 138.34, 42.78, 85.56, 100.00; Viaero se 34.59, 32.44; VonSeggern, Tom re 95.00; Wesco eq 5198.27; Whatley, Brandon tt 270.00; Wheatbelt ut 11138.03; Whitebluffs ct 640.00; Wolff, Dewayne tt 162.00; Wood & Aitken se 682.50; WPCI se 275.00; Wyoming First Aid su 198.37, 20.10, 170.62, 285.33, 362.45; Yatta Golf eq 2135.83, Cengage su 95.16, 257.52; City of Sidney ut 1389.82; Culligan 19.95, Demco su 247.61, E&S Auto su 28.98; Eakes su 455.64; Elan Visa su 1400.41; Baker & Taylor su 1338.13; Sonny's su 21.40; Spring Creek Cleaning ct 412.00; Frenchman Valley fu 226.24; NE Library Asso su 335.00, NT&T se 218.12, OPTK su 36.00; Sidney Sun Telegraph se 8.25; Verizon se 40.01

City Manager Scott reminded the public about the Tree Give-A-Way on April 26 at 7:00 am, program starting at 8:00 am. Scott stated that there will be a meeting regarding the Community Center Strategic Planning at City Hall on April 12 at 9:30 am. Scott said it is also budget time for the City and the Community Center. Scott stated he needs a Council member to sit in on the meeting. Radcliffe volunteered. Scott will confirm a date and time and get back to Council. Scott also reported that the City received its Creative District certification.

Radtke reported that the Street Department will be working on the drainage issue at the end of Virginia Lane. Radtke also stated that Mitch Bartling will be retiring from the City after 22 years this Friday.

Marshall Hall, Chief Building Official, reported that there will be road work on Greenwood Road.

Palmer stated that anyone wanting an ACE sign for their yard, he has some available. Palmer also added that if any group would like to do a community clean up give back, ACE will donate \$250 to the group. Palmer said April 18 is Line Workers Appreciation Day. Palmer concluded that underground conversion has started.

Jeff Klare, Development Director, reported that he and Scott had a great meeting concerning the Air Force Project.

Radcliffe encouraged the public to attend the Cheyenne County Community Center's Stake Holder User Group meetings. Radcliffe asked Palmer for an update on the generation and solar panel project. Palmer said the solar project is moving along and a study has been received. Palmer stated that the City is still waiting for the generators to come out of the data center that they are in, hopefully the end of April or the first part of May. Radcliffe also stated that he wanted to pay his respects to past Mayor and teacher, Richard Osterday.

Galloway echoed condolences to the family of Osterday. Galloway wished Mitch Bartling the best. Galloway attended a meeting for the Sidney and Greater Area Endowment Fund.

Sherman shared condolences for past Mayor Osterday.

Sherman asked for a motion to table Item 16. Galloway moved, Bondegard seconded, "That Item 16; Other items to Council be tabled." Roll call vote: Yeas: Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen Galloway, Sherman. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Sherman asked for a motion to table Item 17. Bondegard moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That Item 17, Real Estate Negotiations, closed session be tabled." Roll call vote: Yeas: Bondegard, Strommen Galloway, Sherman, Radcliffe. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Sherman asked for a motion for closed session. Strommen moved, Bondegard seconded, "That a closed session be held for the purpose of personnel." Roll call vote: Yeas: Strommen Galloway, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion passed. Closed session began at 7:02 pm.

Sherman asked for a motion to end closed session. Strommen moved, Bondegard seconded, "That closed session ends." Roll call vote: Yeas: Galloway, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen. Nays: None. Motion passed. Closed session ended at 7:46 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

ATTEST: /s/BRAD SHERMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: /s/LORI BORCHERT, CITY CLERK