

Sidney, Nebraska, July 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 July 11, 2023 in the Council Room. Present in person were: Mayor Sherman and Council Members: Strommen, Buckner, 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 a motion to approve the minutes. Radcliffe asked that the minutes be amended. Radcliffe stated that he and Gallaway abstained from approval of the minutes on June 27. Bondegard moved, Strommen seconded, "That the minutes for June 27, 2023 be approved as amended." Roll call vote: Yeas: Strommen, Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion approved.

David Jansen, owner of the Fine Arts Center, came before Council with concerns of transparency. Jansen stated that he will be asking for transactions involving tax payer funds. Jansen also had concerns of the swap between the 13th Street building and the building on Pole Creek Crossing. Jansen would like the past verses the current appraisals addressed. Jansen requested that the swap be tabled until the public decides if this is a proper transaction and the public auditor takes a look at it. Due to the time restraints on speaking, Jansen said he will email the Council his list of concerns.

Donna Gorrie, Sidney resident, spoke to council about the drug use and drug houses at the 700 Block of Linden Street. Gorrie asked the Council for help in telling her what she needs to do to rectify this on-going problem.

Seila Stieb, Sidney Resident, came forward and stated that she also lived on 7th and Linden, but moved due to the drug problem.

Sherman offered his personal number, the City office number and the City Manager's office number for if any residents have further concerns.

Clerk Borchert recommended appointment of Brandon Huck to the Board of Adjustment. Borchert stated that a member that lived outside the corporate boundaries was needed to serve on the board. Huck fit that requirement. Sherman asked for a motion. Radcliffe moved, Strommen seconded, "That Brandon Huck be appointed to the Board of Adjustment for a three-year term." Roll call vote: Yeas: Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen. Nays: None. Motion approved.

David Scott, City Manager, presented to Council, Resolution 20230702, which states the provision of emergency medical services is imperative to the welfare of the citizens of Sidney and would not be available without subsidized assistance from the City of Sidney. Scott stated that the City was intending to use LB840 funds to loan Morrill County Community Hospital the \$100,000 needed to purchase an ambulance but it was determined that (MCCH) is not eligible to receive such a loan from LB840 funds. Attorney Leef stated that since MCCH is not the LLC that the City believed they were, MCCH is not eligible for this loan. Leef continued that the City is allowed to make other provisions for getting emergency personnel. Sherman asked for a motion. Strommen moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That Resolution 2023-07-11 allowing the City of Sidney to provide a subsidy in the amount of \$100,000 to MCCH to provide necessary and vital emergency medical transportation services." Roll call vote: Yeas: Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen, Buckner. Nays: None. Motion approved. Sherman read Resolution 2023-07-02 to the public.

Lane Kizzire, Finance Director, presented the June 2023 budgets to Council. Sherman asked for a motion. Radcliffe moved, Strommen seconded, "that the June budgets be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Bondegard, Strommen, Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe." Nays: None. Motion approved.

Mayor Sherman asked for a motion to approve the June 2023 claims. Buckner moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That the claims for June 2023 be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Strommen, Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard." Nays: None. Motion approved.

That the following claims for June 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, in insurance, re reimbursements, sa salaries, se service, su supplies, tr transfer, tt travel/training, tx tax, ut utilities, ff franchise fees)

21st Century Equipment eq 156.06, 1090.22, 26.34, 264.29, 66.02; Accelerated Receivables se 115.57; Action communications se 837.50; Acushnet eq 591.09; Adams Auto eq 3195.00; Adamson Police Products su 63.00; ALSCO su 408.88, 123.88; American Environmental eq 357.00; Applied Concepts su 94.60; Aqua Aerobic eq 2083.19; Arrowhead su 919.25, 806.70; ASCAP su 12.50; Associated Supply su 3833.58; B&C Steel eq 1470.24; Baker & Taylor su 1746.47, 17.46; Barker Cleaners su 33.00; Beacon Athletics su 1189.00; Best Plumbing se su 1451.62; Black Hills ut 169.65, 3162.11, 29.94, 66.81, 41.49, 99.76, 14.98, 132.09; BOKF ct 9160.20; Bomgaars su 1255.96, 243.04, Border States eq 2661.14; Borgmann, Chad re 1415.50; Capital One su 171.46, 93.74; Caselle ct 1828.00; Cashwa su 1055.92, 1809.20; Cengage Learning su

239.92; Centurylink se 201.12; Charter se 119.98, 109.98; Cheyenne Co Community Center ct du 9500.00, 76.00; Cheyenne Co Court se 17.00, 17.00; Cheyenne Co Emergency Comm Center ct 27246.84; City of Sidney se bd ex 208.73, 371.99, 1750.00, 3000.00, 8131.70, 21.39, 54.78, 555.00, re 50.00, sa 116.776.50, 17109.87, 129461.93, 13379.58, 2351.30, 13299.35, 17475.85, 3026.21, 17541.10, 25625.62, 4514.21, 25567.07, 9888.74, 1868.85, 10237.03, 9566.32, 1793.65, 3255.97, in 5645.74, 63455.65, 670.52, 6499.32, 965.67, 12916.24, 1281.53, 12986.32, 575.24, 5618.30, 284.13, 9287.84, ut 2587.48, 32.00, 182.51, 1020.62, 60.63, 732.88, 7950.79, 919.00, 10855.72, 130.48; CNN Electrical su 469.71; Colorado Golf & Turf su 1200.00; Companion eq 1496.00; Contractor Materials su 292.80, 624.00; Country Printer su 182.00; Cranmore Fire se 391.00; Cranmore Pest se 50.00, 100.00, 100.00; Cross Canyon Engineering se 741.75; Culligan su 19.95, 69.09, 29.95; Cummins eq 1041.34; Darins Auto se su 6276.23, 515.41, 1667.32; Day & Night se su 1127.28, 188.13; Deaver Tire se su 2436.00, 320.00; Department of Energy ut 21202.78; DHHS re 107.42; Dietrich su 367.00, 525.60, 681.20; Digital Alley eq 495.00, 245.00; Ditch Witch eq 65.28, 894.14; Doyle, Pat re 20.00; DP Electronics se 1310.23; E&S su 983.96, 960.92, 1601.08, 44.76, 33.61, 336.41; Eakes su 202.96, 1050.38, 108.18, 272.11; Elan Financial su 11096.56, 26.37, 5138.39, 1614.95, 580.61, 186.94, 20.00, 8.92, 148.89, 172.75, 75.25, 4.37, 1481.05, 20.00; Enviro se 10.00, 37.00; Environmental Resources se 1243.67, 162.46; Finneys su 1132.74, 252.88, 112.81, 1416.56, 193.03; Flood communications se 1500.00; Floyd's su 8846.54, 578.12; Frenchman Valley se 112.78, 7525.86, 3607.19, 1689.75, 2642.12, 1061.95, 1130.23; Fyrtek su 300.75; Glass Solutions su 405.89; Golf & Sport Solutions su 1487.19; Grainger su 52.03, 165.95; GT Golf su 905.95; Hamilton se 165.15, 49.95, 99.90; Harper Industries su 764.81; Hawkins eq 2246.83; Hein Construction ct 75000.00; High Plains Budweiser su 449.45, 1136.55, 535.10, 1128.65, 422.65, Hometown Leasing ct 274.81, 136.21; Ideal se 513.36, 650.66, 163.72; Investment First interstate Bank tr 200000.00; J&M Displays su 12000.00; Kansas Municipal Utilities ut 450.00; LL Johnson eq 10285.19; Law Enforcement su 97.00; Leal, Ron ct 450.00; Leef Law ct 10000.00; MC Schaff se 7526.00; MCK Photography se 1600.00; Municipal Chemical su 4400.00; MEAN ut 379500.75; Municipal Supply 56.23; Munimetrix su 39.99; Napa su 33.99; NE Dept of Revenue tx 55856.00; NE Fire Chiefs Asso du 695.00; NE Safety/Fire su 137.06; NE Salt & Grain su 3249.48; NE State Fire Marshall se 72.00; NE State Patrol su 861.00; NT&T se 2008.27, 183.65, 300.27, 379.48, 178.85, 215.19; NMC eq 4053.39, 1272.00; Norgard, Melissa se 1200.00; Northwest Pipe eq 321.24; NT Building Supply su 200.93; NuCO2 su 214.63; One Call se 136.63, 136.63; OPTK su 36.00; Palmore Masonry se 1150.00; Panhandle Auto su 171.98; Peetz Coop su 7687.80; Pepsi su 1382.35, 170.58; Plummer Ins in 100.00, 80270.66, 22096.50, 40451.25, 28030.50, 22502.75, 27644.50; Prairie Mountain Media se 500.00; Prairie States Communication se 1040.75; Quadient Leasing ct 750.00; R&R Products su 180.80; Reams su 149.36, 2366.89; Rood's se su 1934.65, 353.51; Sandry Fire su 2495.45; Segelke Janitorial su 825.00; Shirt Tales su 1250.00; Showcases su 240.41; Sidney Glass su 150.00; SRMC se 4275.00; Sidney Sun Telegraph se 8.25, 528.35, 870.00; Simon Materials su 3312.0, 868.25; Slate Rock su 376.69; Sonny's su 632.55; Spic & Span su 4715.50, 2243.50; Splish Splash se 12.00; Spring Creek Cleaning ct 412.00, 434.42; Srixon eq 394.80; Stotz Equipment eq 1037.17; Summit Supply su 449.15; Superior Outdoor Power eq 1037.48, 278.40; Superior Sanitation su 700.00; SymbolArts su 767.50; T&L Cleaning su 275.00; Tital Machinery su 129.40; Triple O's su 140.49, 1971.00; Unitech su 463.38; US Postal se 178.00; USA Bluebook su 164.42; Utility Service ct 31249.48; Verizon se 40.01, 1490.50, 85.50, 42.75, 138.25, 42.75, 85.50; Vermeer High Plains eq 2267.72; Western Electric eq 2375.75; Wheatbelt ut 10841.55; Whitebluffs ct 1800.00; Wire Fee se 20.00; Woods & Aitken se 390.00; WPC se 866.00; Wyoming First Aid su 36.36.

Scott reminded Council of the joint meeting with the Planning Commission on July 17 regarding the Master Comp Plan. Scott stated the next Downtown Sounds is July 21. Scott also stated the City always has a public hearing before there is a purchase of property.

Leef stated that the property that has been discussed should be ready for review at the next meeting

Amanda Eastin, Library Director, reported that the Summer Reading program has 297 people participate and the Library will be hosting a wrap up reading party.

Jeff Klare, Development Director, stated that there will be a Military and First Responder Appreciation Day on July 26. Klare also stated that he has received over 10 submissions for Source Light Nebraska.

Scott also reported that chip sealing will begin next week.

Councilman Buckner stated that he took a tour of the City and met the supervisors today. Buckner stated that he was impressed with the care and concern that the individuals have for the City. Buckner also stated that he didn't realize all of the services provided by the City. Buckner said he realizes that there are concerns and the Council is working on communications and being transparent.

Sherman gave a shout out to the Transportation system. Sherman reiterated that he is available to the residents if they have concerns. Sherman also stated that Home Town Liquor is rounding up, proceeds going to the Library this month. The Peter Pan play is this weekend, with over 60 kids involved. Sherman encourages residents to attend the Sidney Farmers Market every Saturday through the last Saturday in September. Sherman also promotes employees and residents to volunteer.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

ATTEST: /s/BRAD SHERMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: /s/LORI BORCHERT, CITY CLERK