

Sidney, Nebraska March 12, 2024 A Fair Housing City

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Sidney, Nebraska, was convened in an open and public session at 5:30 p.m. on March 12, 2024, 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 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.

Sherman asked for approval of the minutes. Bondegard moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That the Council minutes from February 27, 2024, be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Strommen, Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion approved. Strommen moved, Bondegard seconded, "That the minutes for the Strategic Planning Meeting from March 6, 2024, be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen. Nays: None. Buckner: Abstain. Motion approved.

Mike Palmer, ACE Representative, stated there will be an open house on March 18, from 8:00 am – 10:00 am at City Hall. Residents should be receiving selection packets from Black Hills Energy. Selection dates are April 4-24. Palmer stressed that residents pick a supplier and not let it default as rates are typically higher.

Sherman opened a public hearing at 5:34 pm for Resolution 20240301, 2024 One- & Six-Year Street Improvement Plan. Hank Radtke, Street Superintendent introduced Kyle Long, Street Employee, to give the PowerPoint presentation. Long stated that per statute 39-2115, each municipality shall develop a long-range, six-year plan of street improvements. Long 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 5:44 pm. Sherman asked for a motion. Strommen moved, Radcliffe seconded, "Per Resolution 20240301, 2024 One- & Six-Year Street Improvement Plan be passed and adopted, this 18th day of March, 2024." Roll call vote: Yeas: Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen, Buckner. Nays: None. Motion approved.

City Manager Scott, asked Council for consideration to use \$20,000 of ACE funds to match other grants for a dog park. Scott stated that \$85,000 in ACE funds are currently available. On behalf of the dog park project, Kim McKay, stated that she believed the dog park would be an excellent project for Sidney. McKay stated that it would maybe alleviate dogs running at large and encourage travelers to utilize the dog park. Sherman asked for a motion. Strommen moved, Bondegard seconded, "That Council approves to move forward with \$20,000 in matching ACE Funds if necessary to complete the project." Roll call vote: Yeas: Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen, Buckner, Sherman. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Dean Sterling, Solid Waste Superintendent and Kegan Carwin, Finance Director came before Council to request funds for a new loader and how they would like to move forward. Sterling stated that the current loader has major equipment issues. Sterling stated that the City could purchase a Case 621G from Titan Machinery, lease to own Case 621G from Titan Machinery, or repair the Cat 924. Repairs would cost \$40,000 and would still only have a trade-in value of \$20,000 and there is no guarantee how long this would extend the Cat's life. Scott mentioned to Council that bids were received from Cat, John Deere and Titan Machinery on loaders and Titan had the lowest bid. Discussion was held and Council decided to purchase the Case 621G. Sherman asked for a motion. Bondegard moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That the City purchases the Case 621G from Titan Machinery for \$178,000." Roll call vote: Yeas: Bondegard, Strommen, Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Carwin gave an annual report on active Tax Incentive Financing (TIF) projects, as required by State statute 18-2117.02. Carwin stated that there were eight TIF projects estimating project costs for all projects was \$9,945,600. Projects include Wamsley, Prairie Winds Redevelopment, East Old Post Road-Wieser, East Old Post Road-Patel, Reganis, Cabela's Corporate, Cabela's Downtown, and Cabela's Venture Projects.

Carwin presented the February 2024 budget reports. Sherman asked for a motion. Strommen moved, Bondegard seconded, "That the February 2024 budget be approved." Roll call vote: Yeas: Strommen, Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Sherman asked for a motion to approve the February claims. Bondegard moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That the claims for February 2024, be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Buckner, Sherman, Radcliffe, Bondegard, Strommen. Nays: None. Motion approved.

That the following claims for February 2024, 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 2228.81, 29.57, 678.82; 3E Electrical eq 6591.68; Accelerated Receivables se 20.49; Adamson Police Products 195.07; Adden, Chris tt 15.00; Allo se 204.66; ALSCO su 218.59; American Environmental se 11322.90; American Legal se 1039.88, 65.00; Aqua Aerobic se su 15442.00; Baker & Taylor su 1337.29; Barker Cleaners se 49.50; Bayne, Blake tt 15.00; Beans & Steams se 107.34, 107.34; Black Hills ut 504.64, 1897.66, 645.40, 1036.08, 43.23, 1283.84, 322.69, 2119.84, 3300.91; BOKF ct 9299.79; Brown, Craig tt 15.00; Busted Knuckle se su 456.19; Cabela, Mary Estate re 16588.45; Callaway Golf se 521.88; Capital One su 538.30; Caselle ct 1896.00; Cengage Learning su 415.84; Charter se 109.98; Cheyenne Co Community Center ct 9500.00; City of Sidney bd ex tx ff 161.18, 1993.60, 3456.00, 10500.00, 29000.00, 12400.00, 8500.00, 250.00, 3000.00, 190.76,

274.14, 95563.00, 455369.00, 73869.00, 63020.00, sa 97701.55, 218.74, 15601.68, 20238.64, 27833.00, 11072.79, 9972.10, 27,684.16, 10924.23, 9958.31, 15678.54, 100079.09, 20261.40, in 3970.10, 921.34, 849.67, 1345.77, 362.94, 312.74, 11846.44, 2855.55, 3623.22, 7924.33, 43756.45, 9987.41, ut 2680.51, 2987.58, 21.60, 194.38, 1693.97, 75.24, 2043.53, 9330.70, 2345.39, 12773.04, 195.68; CPS HR Consulting se 462.00; Cranmore Fire se 50.00; Cross Canyon Engineering se 716.00; Crossroad Tech se 928.38, 40.00; Culligan se 51.40, 7.50, 29.95; Danko su 195.24; Deaver Tire se su 13818.00; Demco eq 906.18; Department of Energy ut 18238.84; DP Electronics se 1039.79, 79.98; E&S Auto se 69.99, 1690.03, 205.05, 160.63, 1128.85, 1082.94, 1222.51, 81.52, 273.92; Eads, Lee re 41.03; Eakes su 1675.95, 1634.94, 390.20; Elan su 3702.01, 478.19, 254.20, 1724.92, 2896.15, 441.92, 1207.80, 926.72; Elliott Equipment eq 115180.00; Embroidery Xpress se 359.62; Enviro se 100.00, 100.00; Finney's su 356.17, 24.57, 884.59, 248.46, 765.09, 104.45; Flagship publishing se 1300.00; Floyd's Truck se su 706.68, 10303.98; Frenchman Valley se 101.06, 5047.43, 3095.86, 1503.21, 475.10, 674.91, 869.28; Frerichs, Chase tt 15.00; Frontier Access se 3833.29; Frontier Overhead Door se eq 4845.42; Fyrteck eq 5322.09; GCSAA du 465.00; Gordon's Body Shop se su 987.50; Grainger su 27.07, 208.70, 90.04; Hall, Marshall tt 178.50; Hamilton se 117.69, 99.90, 49.95; High Plains su 788.85; Hometown Leasing ct 274.81, 137.39; Horn Lock Co se 85.00; Huber & Associates se 264.99; Ideal se 295.60, 494.90, 165.12; Interstate Batteries su 133.95; LL Johnson eq 1112.88; Lawson Products su 374.92; Leal, Ron ct 450.00; Maverik su 2369.52, 936.97; MCK Photography se 4000.00; Miller, Bryan re 204.96; Mizuno su 482.87; Municipal Chemical su 4550.00; MEAN ut 467692.60; Municipal Supply eq 31996.74; Munimetrix su 39.99; Murphy Tractor su 20.00; NE Dept of Energy du 80.00, 150.00; NE Dept of Revenue tx 59551.03; NE law Enforcement du 20.00; NE Public Health se 478.00; NT&T se 1595.70, 134.79, 238.26, 388.90, 143.96, 112.77, 17.24; Nelke, Jason se 1000.00; NMC eq 5355.86; Norgard, Melissa ct 600.00; Northwest Pipe su 1125.44, 4393.24; NE Salt & Grain su 7870.03; Palmer, Mike tt 69.00, 97.00; Path Point se 36.94, 44.08, 65.07, 42.97; Pay Tech se 30.00, 30.00; Peetz Coop su 7720.70; Plummer in 5518.76; Quadiant Leasing su 5500.00, 5500.00, 5500.00; R&R su 293.40; Rauner & Associates se 51984.00; Reams Sprinkler su 2322.27; Rinder Printing su 892.88, 2678.69, 1785.77, 595.25; Rood's Tire se su 583.22, 45.00, 36.95; Royal Flush se 630.00; Sandberg implement su 92.70; Schwing Bioset su 273.02; Segelke Janitorial se 825.00; SRMC se 342.00; Sidney Sun Telegraph se 109.16, 648.17, 10.98; Sidney Volunteer Fire Dept re 1494.50; Simon Materials su 253.44; Sirchie Acquisition Co su 437.91; Smart Sights se 800.00; Sonny's su 591.38, 350.09, 7.95; Spic & Span su 2447.00; Splish Spash se 52.00; Spring Creek Cleaning se 447.45; Srixon eq 3614.90; Steffens, Jerry re 26.88; T&L Cleaning ct 275.00; Talich, Joe tt 15.00; Titan Machinery su 130.74; Triple O's su 55.81, 503.08, 31.76; UNL 2024 CEC du 1000.00; USA Bluebook su 265.02; Verizon se 120.13, 1203.42, 85.76, 42.88, 178.65, 42.88, 85.76; Viaero se 34.61; Waller, Steven tt 15.00; Weathercraft su 1482.00; Wesco su 59017.50; Western NE Tourism du 125.00; Wheatbelt ut 12998.86; Whitebluffs ct 637.00; Wieser Const se 800.00; WNCC se 60.00; Woodis Welding su 123.00; WPCI ct 307.00; Wyoming First Aid su 1036.81, 406.11, 67.50.

Scott introduced the Economic Development Director, Brandy Stone. Stone stated that she was looking forward to working with the community.

Borchert thanked those who voted for Camp Lookout project of the year sponsored by ACE Energy. Ogallala took the win by 115 votes. Borchert thanked Michael Palmer for his 26 years of service with the City and wished him well on his new adventure.

Radtke thanked Palmer for his years of service and thanked Long for his interest in learning more about the Street Department.

Palmer stated that the City received two generators ready to be hooked up. The city is waiting on black banding for the street lights. Palmer thanked the City for the last 26 years. Palmer introduced Greg Jenkins as the interim.

Bondegard thanked Palmer for his service and gave sympathies to the family that lost their young boy.

Radcliffe thanked Palmer for his service and wished him well on his next endeavor. Radcliffe congratulated the basketball teams for their great years.

Strommen congratulated Palmer and wished him well and congratulated the basketball team.

Buckner stated he appreciated Palmer and congratulated the basketball team.

Sherman stated he was sorry to see Palmer go and glad Palmer is staying in Sidney. Sherman stated public can call him at 308-249-2321 at any time.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

ATTEST: /s/BRAD SHERMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: /s/LORI BORCHERT, CITY CLERK