

## Sidney, Nebraska July 8, 2025 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 July 8, 2025, in the Council Room. Present in person were: Vice Mayor Bondegard and Council Members: Kerkman, Kuhns, Radcliffe. Others present: City Manager Scott, City Clerk Borchert, City Attorney Strommen. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in The Sidney-Sun Telegraph, the designated method for giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication 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 public's attendance.

Vice Mayor Bondegard informed the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Joe McCarn, Chamber Director, invited everyone to the Small Business Social July 17 at the Elks. McCarn stated that Sweet Ice was having a soft opening on July 10, ribbon cutting on July 18. A VIP event will be determined at a later date.

Bondegard asked for a motion to approve the Council minutes. Kerkman moved, Kuhns seconded, "That the Council minutes from June 24, 2025 be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Kuhns, Bondegard, Kerkman. Nays: None. Abstain: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Attorney Strommen stated that Vice Mayor Bondegard could make his proposal for the new Council member. Bondegard brought forth Jeremy Lee. Kerkman asked Lee for an introduction. Lee stated that he grew up in Dalton but moved to Sidney around 2005-2006. Lee said he has worked for Black Hill Energy for the last 10 years. Lee has 3 children. Lee stated that he loves Sidney. Lee said he cares what people think and is willing to work on issues. Radcliffe made a motion to confirm Jeremy Lee for the open Council seat. Kerkman seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Kuhns, Bondegard, Radcliffe, Kerkman. Nays: None. Motion approved. Lee was sworn in by Attorney Strommen. Attorney Strommen asked for nominations for Mayor. Kerkman nominated Bondegard. Radcliffe seconded. There were no other nominations. Roll call: Yeas: Bondegard, Radcliffe, Lee, Kerkman, Kuhns. Nays: None. Motion approved. Bondegard asked for nominations for Vice Mayor. Bondegard nominated Kerkman. Radcliffe seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Radcliffe, Lee, Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion approved.

City Manager Scott came before Council with Resolution 20250701 for downtown parking. Scott stated that Ordinance 424-01, 460-01 and 460-02 gives the ability to do the parking by resolution. This resolution changes the 24-hour, two-hour parking stalls to two-hour parking during the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday excluding holidays. McCarn came forward to state that the Chamber put out a survey, which 50 people responded, half were in favor of the resolution, 30 percent having mixed reviews. Lee stated that common courtesy, if you know you will be at a business for a long length of time, would be to park around the corner. Radcliffe stated that he drove downtown and found no issues with parking, parking is available within a couple blocks. Enforcement will be difficult. Bondegard asked for a motion. Kerkman moved, Kuhns seconded, "That Resolution 20250701, changing the 24-hour, two-hour parking stalls to two-hour parking during the hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday excluding holidays be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard, Radcliffe. Nays: None. Abstain: Lee Motion approved.

Kegan Carwin, Finance Director, gave the June 2025 budget report. Kerkman asked Carwin about the franchise fees. Kerkman asked if we have hit the franchise fees for the last couple years. Carwin stated that he would get Kerkman the breakdown, but added that the franchise fees are based on 5% of the audited revenue. Lee asked if Carwin could check to see what other cities franchise fees were. Carwin stated that he would look into it. Bondegard asked for a motion. Kerkman moved, Radcliffe seconded, "That the June 2025 budget report be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard, Radcliffe, Lee. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Bondegard asked for a motion to approve the June 2025 claims. Kerkman moved, Kuhns seconded, "That the June 2025 claims be approved." Roll call: Yeas: Kuhns, Bondegard, Radcliffe, Lee, Kerkman. Nays: None. Motion approved. "That the following claims for June 2025, 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)

21<sup>st</sup> Century eq 37.10, 646.25, 93.60; Accelerated Receivables se 166.58; Acushnet Co su 1512.00; Allo se 410.76, 189.38, 107.38, 189.38; ALSCO su 174.24, 181.88; Amazon Capital se su 3522.11; American Environmental se 4273.78; Anthony, Mark re 400.00; Arnold Pool su 316.55; Arrowhead su 177.20, 332.25; Asso Supply su 265.97; Axon eq 8280.48; Baker & Taylor su 782.00; Balandran, Oneida se 425.00; Barker Cleaners se 33.00; Black Hills Energy ut 492.50, 36.21, 89.47, 48.78, 113.43, 18.10, 89.82; BOKF ct 8995.63; Bomgaars su 196.52, 263.12, 391.95, 47.48, 670.42, 6.44; Capital Counseling se 475.00; Capital One su 34.93; Carwin, Kegan tt 123.00; Caselle ct 2338.00; Cashwa su 2038.61, 1814.66; Chappell Register se 29.00; Cheyenne Co Chamber ct 6250.00; Cheyenne Co community Center ct 10000.00; Cheyenne Co Court se 49.00; Cheyenne Co Emergency Comm Center ct 3479.98; City of Sidney se ex su tx tr 3000.00, 5802.85, 16.88, 170.81, 949.59, sa 114960.70, 133652.85, 14274.97, 14580.73, 19811.29, 19472.63, 31535.02, 31672.74, 9628.12, 9537.31, 12176.89, 12458.07, in 3610.00, 50455.70, 964.05, 10558.45, 738.94, 12725.84, 1021.73, 12536.98, 352.95, 3768.15, 430.45, 7306.55, ut 8156.15, 402.38, 2620.34, 19.00, 168.70, 1518.26, 68.91, 588.54, 11526.92, 886.53, 10370.13, 125.65; Colonial Research se 160.00, Contractors Materials su 57.00, 199.00; Country Printer su 1030.00; Cranmore Fire Protection se

458.00; Cross Canyon Engineering se 3489.44; Crossroad Tech Services se 579.00, 811.62, 1207.00, 320.00, 240.00, 387.00, 320.00; Culligan se 95.86, 19.95; Deaver Tire se 45.00; Department of Energy ut 22838.73; Design Solutions se 3151.41; Dewdex Designs su 295.00; Dietrich su 515.30, 437.75; Dival Safety Equip eq 251.89; Dreamland Estates ct 1600.00; E & S Auto su 1395.00, 1.29, 45.88, 1012.83, 27.07, 19.33, 11.19; Eakes su 285.02, 180.30, 161.06, 46.15; Elan Financial Services se 756.65, 662.79, 8164.39, 263.55, 1966.75, 2054.57, 140.00, 254.97; Elliot Equipment eq 1358.67; Engraving, Awards & Gifts su 627.10; Enviro Services se 120.00, 152.00, 37.00; Environmental Resource Associates se 1348.00; Finneys su 86.72, 1096.52, 597.71, 97.56, 82.77, 352.67; Five Nines se 2700.00; Flood Communications se 350.00; Floyd's Trucking se 214.70, 63.83; Fluidyne se 89950.00; Flyover su 600.00; Frenchman Valley fu 210.33, 6402.21, 888.59, 347.61, 1026.20, 549.98; Golf & Sport eq 1657.70; Grainer eq 268.00; Hach su 92.49; Hamilton se 98.42, 99.90, 49.95; Hanson, Josh tt 123.00; Hawkins eq 4503.37; Heinman Fire eq 27.48; High Plains su 287.45, 168.40, 333.80, 911.00, 193.70, 796.50, 313.70, 344.35; Holiday Inn se 3068.00; Holloway, Larry re 2212.50; Hometown Leasing ct 374.81; lamResponding se 660.00; Ideal se 660.00; Ideal se 683.88, 107.67, 35.89, 208.15; IRBY se 1085.75; Johnson Brothers se 265.50; Kansas Municipal se 500.00; LL Johnson eq 2043.47, 821.24; Landys +Gyr ct 1425.00; Leal, Ron ct 450.00; Lyle Signs su 253.76; MacQueen Equipment eq 5382.64; MARC su 125.93; Mattoon, Martens & Strommen se 10000.00; Maverik fu 3215.53, 1265.31, 1857.89; MC Shaff se 25845.64; Michael Todd & Co su 212.18; Midwest Labs se 665.50; Municipal Chemical su 6260.00; MEAN du ut 756.00, 411638.32; Municipal Supply su 756.00, 3504.75, 10443.20; Munimetrix ct 39.99; NASB su 2220.95; NATP se 145.00; NE Dept of Revenue tx 42533.97; NE Municipal Power Pool du 200.00; NE State Fire Marshall du 72.00; NT&T se 244.49, 1697.27, 157.19, 437.83, 296.17; NE Tire se 25.00; Nexgen su 2081.40; Northwest Pipe eq 11819.18, 456.81; Nurien Ag eq 18547.00, 187.00; One Call se 57.09, 57.09; OPTK Network se 36.00; Palmer, Mike se 1953.00; Path Point se 44.68, 109.56, 35.55, 135.80; Peetz Coop fu 5495.93; Pepsi 103.80, 1014.48; Pittam Body Shop se su 180.46; Plummer Insurance se 100.00; Quadient ct 750.00; R&R Products su 980.60; Rapid Fire su 135.00; Reynolds, Troy re 200.00; Rood's se su 51.38, 17.00; Royal Flush se 630.00; Sargent Drilling su 26160.53; Sauder Auto se 74.52; Scott, David tt 266.70; Segelke Janitorial se 1015.00; Serkiz, Jay re 750.00; Sherwin Willias su 1037.00; Showcases su 636.55; Sidney Heavy Truck eq 1519.05, 1658.38; Sidney Sun Telegraph se 542.69, 15.28; Sonny's su 320.22; Southern Glazers su 5021.90; Spic and Span Cleaners se 293.00; Splish Splash se 43.89; Sport Stop Exp du 230.00; State Fire Marshal Training du 50.00; Stone, Brandy tt 803.07; Stotz Equipment eq 241.48; Systemview se 670.00; T&L Cleaning se 275.00; TaylorMade su 1196.88; Toro Co eq 220.00; Triple O's su 42.68, 188.41; ULINE su 136.06; Unitech su 519.80; US Postal se 188.00; USA Bluebook su 386.47; Verizon se 617.70, 40.57, 85.88, 42.94, 218.88, 220.86, 42.94, 85.88; Vermeer High Plains su 183.99; Wells, Korey ct 4166.66; Wesco eq 30219.44, 2595.46, 32.25; Wheatbelt ut 11229.31; White bluffs ct 1232.28; wolf Auto su 167.77; WPCI ct 558.00; Wyoming First Aid se 78.92.

Scott stated that the city auction made about \$45000. Scott reminded Council that the budget workshop will be on July 18 at 12:00 pm.

Borchert and Strommen welcomed Lee to the Council.

Carwin stated that there were 25 views.

Marshall Hall reported that Les Schwab is going to happen on Jennifer Lane. O'Reilly Auto Parts will open on July 26.

Josh Hanson stated that next Monday through Wednesday chip sealing will begin as well as flushing out the hydrants. The first power report was received by Sandhills Solar, 290.64 megawatts was generated in June.

Lee commended the Fire Department on the Fireworks

Radcliffe and Kerkman congratulated Lee to Council. Kerkman stated that we should be thankful for volunteers.

Kuhns reminded the public of the nonprofit fair at the end of the month, the social at the Elks and the Way-Out-West performance.

Bondegard welcomed Lee.

Bondegard asked for a motion for closed session for the purpose of Contract Negotiations. Kuhns moved, Kerkman seconded, "That closed session begins for Contract Negotiations." Roll call: Yeas: Bondegard, Radcliffe, Lee, Kerkman, Kuhns. Nays: None. Motion approved. Time in: 6:04 pm.

Bondegard asked for a motion to come out of closed session. Radcliffe moved, Kuhns seconded, "That closed session ends for Contract Negotiations." Roll call: Yeas: Radcliffe, Lee, Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard. Nays: None. Motion approved. Time out: 6:19 pm. No action taken regarding the contract negotiations.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 pm.

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ATTEST: /s/Brandon Bondegard, Mayor

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ATTEST: /s/Lori Borchert, City Clerk