

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

As per notice in the Red Cloud Chief, the Mayor and the City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Red Cloud Community Center. Members present: Mayor Brown, Councilman Horne, Beitler, Bryan, Attorney McCracken, Superintendent Clark, and Clerk O'Tool. Councilman Daehling was unable to attend.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order and asked those present to join the council in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He then stated the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall for public viewing.

First to speak was Josh Young from SCEDD he gave us an update on the nuisance abatement program. He stated a lot of the properties have cleaned up, but some are still not in compliance with the ordinances. He presented to the council all the properties that are still not in compliance and what they need to do to become compliant. Josh then asked the council to approve resolutions #765-#814 which are declaring the properties nuisances, those resolutions are available at the city office for viewing. Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Bryan. Motion carried. Next Josh presented to the council two postponement request, councilman Beitler made the motion and was second by Horne to approve the first postponement. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve the seconded postponement request. Motion carries. Next for SCEDD was to approve payment to SCEDD in the amount of \$3,475.00 for grant administrative services for CDBG in partnership with Webster County Community Hospital. Also approve future draw downs. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve and was seconded Bryan. Motion carried. Next was to approve payment to SCEDD in the amount of \$1,175.00 for grant administrative services on the CDBG 2021 planning grant. Also approve future draw downs. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve and was seconded Beitler. Motion carried. Lastly, they needed to approve payment to SCEDD in the amount of \$6,100.00 for grant administrative services on the CDBG 2021 public works grant. Also approve future draw downs. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve and was seconded by Bryan. Motion Carried.

Next was the Sheriffs report, Sheriff Troy Schmitz was present to speak to the council about the engine break in town and changing the ATV ordinance so that it includes UTV's. Councilman Horne made a motion and was seconded by Beitler to have Attorney McCracken write new ordinance for engine breaks and having UTV's on the roads. Motion Carried, Attorney McCracken will bring those to the September 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Councilman Bryan made the motion and was seconded by Horne to approve the sheriff's report. Motion carried.

LeAnn Jochum from SCEDD was present to speak to the council on the Rural Workforce Housing Fund, Land Development Program with ARPA. This is a grant that helps the community with land development. LeAnn gave the council the details on how to apply and what the city would get from this type of grant. Councilman Horne made a motion to pass a resolution #815 to have LeAnn start the process on applying for the Rural Workforce Housing Fund Land Development Program seconded by Bryan. Motion carried.

Next was Ashley Olson and Heritage Tourism, updates were given on what they have been working on and accomplishing. The council was informed on the fundings they have received for the Hotel Garber Project and received more information on the REDLG grant. Heritage and Tourism also asked for a \$5,000 increase from the city.

Jarrod McCartney was next on the agenda; he was unable to attend but Ashley Olson was present to give general updates to the council.

Cherry Corner was next on the agenda, Amanda was Hajny was unable to attended. General updates were sent to the council.

The council then was to discuss the approval of Class C/CK liquor license for Palace Lounge, Knock 'Em Over Ally, On the Brix and Juans Tacos. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve and was seconded by Beitler. Motion Carried.

Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve resolution #764 to publish wages by title prior to Aug 15<sup>th</sup>. Motion Carried.

Attorney McCracken brought to the council resolution #763 which is a termination of an unsafe building. Councilman Bryan made a motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve resolution #763 for termination of notice of unsafe building, Motion carried.

Public comments were then opened. Kim with historic preservation was present to ask the council for an increase in the revenue that the council provides for the board, councilman Horne let her know that we are still in the process of the budget and will keep the board in consideration. Mark Vanbeber was present to speak he stated that he believes the council should increase the permit fee. Mayor Brown said that him and the council will discuss the change in permit fees.

Councilman Bryan made the motion and was seconded by Horne to approve the minutes. Motion was carried.

Councilman Beitler made the motion and was seconded by Bryan to approve the financial reports and city sales tax report. The city sales tax for June received in July was \$20,717.32 compared to \$28,850.13 for the same period last year. Motion carried.

Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve the claims. Motion carried. These will be listed in full at the end of the minutes.

Next on the agenda was Superintendent Clark. He gave his general updates; they have put in the speed bumps also have started doing some patching in between mowing and spraying. They have completed a lot of maintenance at the community center as well. Weston Johnson got a fence permit.

Attorney McCracken gave a general update.

Under Old Business the nuisance properties were discussed.

Under new business Mayor Brown brought to the council the discussion of streetlights being out, superintendent Clark stated that they will be starting to replace them. Also, councilman Bryan brought up the permit fees, Attorney McCracken let him know that he will check into the guide that is provided that describes how to classify the permits.

Councilman Horne made the motion at 10:15 pm to enter executive session to review employment seconded by Bryan. Motion Carried. Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to return to regular session at 10:55 pm. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Bryan to approve the actions taken. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to be had and done by the Mayor and City Council, Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to adjourn said meeting at 11:10 pm. Motion carried.

Total Salaries	\$34,349.15
Red Cloud Chamber- Streetcar Day donation	\$100.00
Reams- Sprinklers	\$776.21
Petty Cash- Computer expense, batteries, postage	\$100.50
Energized Electric- Labor	\$105.00
Bear Graphics- City Checks	\$276.63
WAPA- Purchased power	\$5,734.72
City of Red Cloud- Applied Deposits	\$400.00
Withholding- 7/15 Payroll	\$1,263.69
Social Security- 7/15 Payroll	\$2,620.98
Medicare- 7/15 Payroll	\$612.98

Nationwide- 7/15 Payroll	\$1,700.90
St. Income Tax- Month of July	\$1,254.66
R&M Disposal- Month of July	\$13,057.00
Credit Management- Garnishment	\$202.55
Verizon- Phone Bill	\$57.29
The Lincoln National- Life Insurance	\$153.99
Zee Medical Service- First Aid	\$72.85
Presto-X- Pest Control	\$86.61
Principal Life Ins- Dental Ins	\$454.59
Cather Foundation- CCCFF Grant Payment	\$281,000.00
BCBS- Insurance	\$239.78
Aflac- Insurance	\$222.21
BCBS- Insurance	\$7,890.28
Postmasters- Postage for Utilities	\$268.92
Brandon Mohlman- Refund Deposit	\$170.04
City of Red Cloud- Applies Deposit	\$29.96
WAPA- Purchased Power	\$5,462.14
Cherry Corner Estates- Vendor/Payroll	\$9,052.60
Withholding- 8/1 Payroll	\$1,123.14
Social Security- 8/1 Payroll	\$2,530.96
Medicare- 8/1 Payroll	\$591.94
Credit Management Services- Garnishment	\$183.30
Nationwide- 8/1 Payroll	\$1,592.30
City of Red Cloud- Applied Deposit	\$400.00
Electric- Bond and Interest	\$2,000.00
Sewer- CM Sewer Reserve	\$625.00
Water- CM Water Reserve	\$625.00
Heritage- Loan Payment	\$731.99
Hometown Leasing- Copier Agreement	\$136.64
Mid Rivers- 911 Contract	\$350.00
Patrick Calkins- Attorney Fees	\$75.00
Various- Bus. Ins Transfer	\$6,598.28
General- To Police Fund	\$3,295.72
M Clark- Phone Bills	\$44.00
J Hersh- Phone Bills	\$44.00
R Hitchler- Phone Bills	\$44.00
D Long- Phone Bills	\$44.00
Various- Officers Salary	\$1,431.24
Various- Economic Development	\$981.96
Various- To General	\$2,426.49
Various- Board of Trust	\$416.67
Various- Historic Preservation	\$618.75
Webster County Sheriff- Sheriff Contract	\$3,854.29
M Schmitz- Contract Labor	\$750.00
Repeat St- Electric Rebate	\$883.86
Norder- Weed control/Curb & Gutter	\$1,369.21
Kearney Winlectric- Wires	\$560.00
Central District Health Dept- Water Test	\$120.00

State of Nebraska- Power Board Assessments	\$198.53
Sunset pool Supplies – Chemicals, chlorinator etc.	\$1,055.97
Municipal Energy Agency- Purchased Power	\$86,119.36
Pheasants Forever- Membership Dues	\$35.00
EAKES- Copies	\$197.02
Great Plains Communication- Phone/Internet	\$996.77
Central Plains Lib System- Books & Subscriptions	\$50.00
Neb. Public Health Lab- Fluoride	\$18.00
T-shirt Engineers- Fire Uniforms	\$375.18
Kucera Construction- C&D Push Pile	\$950.00
Presto-X- Pest Control	\$45.95
GTA- Ins Policy	\$107,519.00
CPI- Fuel	\$400.28
C&D Service Center- String, Rode Bud tip	\$124.93
J&A Auto Supply- Battery, Spark Plugs, Paint Etc.	\$151.41
Barco Municipal- Barricades, Crosswalk	\$1,726.04
Garwood & McCracken- Legal Fees	\$2,435.15
Eakes- Towels, Bath tissue, binders etc.	\$499.75
Black Hills Energy- Natural Gas Service	\$672.65
Perry Cash- Postage, water sample	\$194.65
NMPP- Envelopes & Utility Bills	\$1,833.92
MacQueen Equipment- Gauge, Dash vent, Knob Control	\$95.34
Kearney Winlectric- H Taps, Crimp Die	\$191.73
Mark Bencken- BOT Mowing	\$120.00
Kenny's Hardware and Home Center- Marking paint, magnet mulch etc.	\$1,407.35
Olson's Enterprises- Fuel, Bug Spray	\$1,898.26
T shirt Engineers- Uniforms	\$177.12
One Call Concepts- Line Locates	\$11.84
Aramark- Towel, Uniform, and rug services	\$748.72
Total Expenses	\$612,412.80

Todd Brown, Mayor  
Maddy O'Tool, City Clerk