

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

June 4th, 2024.

As per the notice in the Red Cloud Chief, the Mayor and the City Council met in regular session on Tuesday June 4th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Community Center. Members present: Mayor Brown, Councilman Horne, Daehling, Goebel, Attorney McCracken, and Clerk Schmitz. Councilman Mahin was absent.

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.

Councilman Horne made the motion to approve the sheriff report, seconded by Daehling. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was Josh Young with SCEDD, Josh first went over the parcels that have had a lot of clean up and have come into compliance with the city. Councilman Daehling made the motion to rescind those parcels, seconded by Goebel. Motion carried. Next, he went over the parcels that have not come into compliance and should move onto the motion to abate, Josh informed the council on what needs to be done to have the parcels come into compliance. Councilman Daehling made the motion to abate, seconded by Goebel. Motion carried. Lastly Josh went over the 2022 penal properties. All copies of nuisance properties are available at the city office.

Councilman Horne made the motion to approve special events resolution #881 for street car days, seconded by Daehling. Motion carried.

Councilman Horne made the motion to approve resolution #882 which approves the language for Keno on the ballot, seconded by Goebel. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was Kim Brubaker with the historical preservation commission. Kim wanted to talk to the council about the Community Needs Assessment Housing Study and why the council was wanting the historical preservation commission to take over the housing study and how it would help. Josh from SCEDD was able to give some information stating that it is to help gather information to know what is desired or needed in town. The council will gather more information on the housing study to present to the historical preservation commission. The historical preservation commission then asked the council as to why they did not appoint three new members and only appointed one. The council stated that they thought it would be a good idea to train one member and then add on more later, the commission was wanting the council to appoint the other two members so they would be at nine members. Councilman Daehling asked them what they were most proud of completing in the last couple of years. They stated that they were proud of the grants they were able to give out to help people in the historical areas of town. Councilman Goebel made the motion to have the Historical Preservation Commission to nine members seconded by Horne. Motion carried. Councilman Goebel made the motion to appoint new members Vanessa Walters and Krista Henderson, seconded by Horne. Motion carried.

Brad Burgess with Cherry Corners was present to speak to the council. He gave general updates and informed the council that the roof has been completed and that they are working on getting the fence fixed. They are also still looking into new insurance for the facility. Councilman Daehling made the motion to approve Eric Brown on the board seconded by Goebel. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was Jarrod McCartney, he gave general updates. He informed the council that they have a general manager hired for Hotel Garber and will be starting in July. The Downtown Revitalization did not apply for the CDBG Grant and will be applying for it next year after the community needs assessment is completed. They are still receiving donations for the Hardwick Park Project.

Public comments were then opened.

Next on the agenda was Kory for the RCRP Grant. The grant is to be used for rehabilitation, renovation, and maintenance to promote physical and mental well-being and promote healthier living for the community. This grant has a compressed timeline and will be due July 10th. The council will choose the top five projects at the special meeting that they will be having on Monday June 10th, 2024. Councilman Horne made the motion to have SCEDD write the grant, seconded by Goebel. Motion carried.

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

Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Goebel to approve the financial reports and city sales tax report. The city sales tax for March received in May was \$33,247.96 compared to \$25,909.99 for the same period last year. Motion carried.

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

Next was the superintendent report, The guys changed a few services from overhead to underground. They have been changing water meters. H&L Asphalt should start on the streets in June or July. Ran engines four and will be running engine three on Friday the 17th. The Power Plant roof has been completed, Iowa pump works came to check on the pump at the sewer plant, replaced floats and took the pump to have it serviced. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve the quote from Iowa Pump Works to repair the pump, seconded by Goebel. Motion carried. Bill Deisley and Terwey Construction will be working on the sewer line on third between webster and cedar at the end of the month. Gabriel Arcelia and Richard Reiher got building permits.

Mayor Brown brought to the council options for mowing the cemetery, we received a bid from Loyal Lawn Care out of Riverton to mow the cemetery at \$1,500.00 a mow. After comparing the price of contracting labor and summer help the council decided to write up a contract and hire Loyal Lawn Care. Councilman Goebel made the motion to hire Loyal Lawn Care to mow the cemetery, seconded by Horne. Motion carried.

Attorney McCracken was present to give general updates. Councilman Goebel made the motion to approve lot split resolution #883, seconded by Daehling. Motion approved.

Under old business Mayor Brown informed the council that they got the red pickup fixed so at this time we will not be looking into a new pickup. The new playground equipment is ready to be installed. The council had a discussion on having the city office closed for Juneteenth, the council will decide on that at the special meeting Monday June 10th. Lastly Councilman Mahin had a meeting with JEO about the Grid Resiliency Grant, will continue to meet in TEAMS until grant is filled out.

Under new business Clerk Schmitz informed the council that City of Superior is willing to give us their old pool pumps since they have new, and the old ones match ours. Clerk Schmitz

also informed the council she is waiting on quotes back from multiple companies to complete a rate study.

Councilman Goebel made the motion at 10:23 pm to enter executive session for discussion on employment in the utility department, seconded by Horne. Motion Carried. Councilman Goebel made the motion and was seconded by Daehling to return to regular session at 10:54 pm. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to be had and done by the Mayor and City Council, Councilman Goebel made the motion and was seconded by Daehling to adjourn said meeting at 10:55 pm. Motion carried.

Total Salaries	\$29,732.02
Withholding- 5/15 Payroll	\$1,400.32
Social Security- 5/15 Payroll	\$2,610.06
Medicare- 5/15 Payroll	\$610.44
Nationwide- 5/15 Payroll/Loan	\$1,762.68
St. Income Tax- Month of May	\$1,163.42
R&M Disposal- Trash Collection	\$13,073.50
General Collection Co.- Garnishment	\$206.20
H&L Asphalt- Deposit on Road Work	\$13,000.00
JEO- Dam Improvements	\$11,846.10
City of Red Cloud- Applied Deposit	\$165.17
CJ Rains- Refund Deposit	\$34.83
NE Dept. of Rev- Sales Tax	\$4.82
Withholding- 6/1 Payroll	\$1,977.94
Social Security- 6/1 Payroll	\$3,067.52
Medicare- 6/1 Payroll	\$718.42
Nationwide- 6/1 Payroll/Loan	\$1,702.89
General Collection Co.- Garnishment	\$249.84
Electric- Bond and Interest	\$2,000.00
Sewer- CM Sewer Reserve	\$625.00
Water- CM Water Reserve	\$625.00
Hometown Leasing- Copier Agreement	\$136.64
Patrick Calkins- Attorney Fees	\$75.00
Various- Bus. Ins Transfer	\$11,590.58
General- To Police Fund	\$3,295.72
P Long- Phone Bills	\$44.00
R Hitchler- Phone Bills	\$44.00
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Various- Officers Salary	\$1,139.59
Various- Economic Development	\$1,340.25
Various- To General	\$2,500.00

Various- Board of Trust	\$416.67
Various- Historic Preservation	\$618.75
Webster County Sheriff- Sheriff Contract	\$3,854.29
M Schmitz- Contract Labor	\$1,150.00
Fairbury Light & Water- Mutual Aid	\$7,884.00
Olsons Auto- 2007 Tahoe	\$2,108.01
Charles Electronics- Fire Hall Tower	\$1,424.27
PrestoX- Pest Control	\$341.85
MEAN- Purchased Power	\$63,448.14
Utility Service Co.- Quarterly Tank Payment	\$4,830.95
Crowl Tree Service- Storm Damage	\$4,925.00
MEAN- Services Committee	\$2,040.00
Red Cloud Chief- Minutes, Ads, Notices	\$1,299.77
REAMS- Sprinkler Parts	\$458.92
GTA- Employee Bond	\$159.00
Newport Group- Quarterly Admin Charge	\$234.00
NE Fire Sprinkler- Dry System tripped	\$1,825.00
Midwest Turf & Irrigation- Blade	\$119.34
CEI- New Communicator	\$902.00
Superior Utilities- Parts	\$44.70
Core & Main- Water Meters	\$5,361.43
Van Diest Supply- Chemicals	\$3,557.65
Superior Outdoor Power- Filler Cap	\$69.20
Garwood McCracken- Professional Services	\$23,600.00
The Lincoln National- Life Insurance	\$297.92
Pheasants Forever- Subscription	\$35.00
Great Plains Communication- Phone/Internet	\$973.01
AFLAC- Insurance	\$236.11
Kearney Winlectric- Aluminum wire, meter box	\$3,063.20
Jen Schriener- Refund	\$12.25
MARC- Cleaning Supplies	\$600.17
Cardmember Services- Computer, Tools Etc	\$2,127.30
Black Hills Energy- Natural Gas Services	\$938.86
Island Supply Welding- Supplies	\$58.00
US Department of Energy- Purchased Power	\$4,278.86
Iowa Pump Works- Service pump/floats	\$6,513.50
Terwey Construction- Concrete	\$17,000.00
Taylor Goos- Lifeguard Certification	\$1,095.00
Mannix Duffy- Pool Operator License	\$40.00
Tillotson- Power Plant Roof	\$39,121.00
NE Rural Water- Membership Renewal	\$300.00
Mark Bencken- BOT Mowing	\$90.00
TK Elevator- Service	\$370.47
NDEE- Sewer Loan Payment	\$10,628.80

Kucera Construction- Push Up C&D Site	\$400.00
Energized Electric- Pool Pump	\$989.00
NE Fire Sprinkler- CC Fire Sprinkler	\$754.00
Terwey Construction- Concrete at Illian Field	\$3,400.00
Barnes and Nobel- Books/Subscriptions	\$128.34
DATA443- Computer Program	\$130.00
Auld Public Library- Books, Subscriptions, DVD Etc.	\$897.64
Aramark- Rug, Towel, Uniform services	\$376.68
Dutton Lainson Company- Connectors Arrestors Etc.	\$5,702.12
Border States- Bolts, Ties Etc.	\$1,552.77
Eakes- Trash Bags, Towels	\$531.72
Kearney Winlectric- Overhead Alum. Etc.	\$1,351.71
Municipal Supply- Water pit Lids	\$631.32
FYR-TEK- Packing Adjustment	\$706.00
C&D Service Center- Belts, Spring Etc.	\$188.86
Cornelia Livingston- Grant Payment	\$5,000.00
Midwest Turf & Irrigation- Alternator/Thermostat	\$598.94
Petty Cash- Swimming Pool, Computer, Postage	\$198.42
Postmasters- Stamps	\$272.00
Dan Benedict- Computer Services	\$100.00

Total	\$349,541.86
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Todd Brown, Mayor
Maddy Schmitz, City Clerk