

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2021

As per notice in the Red Cloud Chief, the Mayor and the City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Red Cloud Community Center. Members present: Mayor Brown, Councilmen Horne, Beitler, Daehling, Attorney McCracken, Superintendent Clark, and Clerk Olson. Councilman Bryan 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.

Beitler made the motion and was seconded by Horne to approve the Sheriff's Report. Motion carried.

Michelle Sorsen of Kingswood Court in Superior met with the council. Sorsen told the council she would like to charge by the hour for her consulting services, working alongside the management and the staff. A 1-year contract would be signed between all parties and revisited after the year is up. Sorsen said she would like to keep Cherry Corner as an assisted living for now and maybe eventually work into memory care if it's the right move; it is a 2-3 month transition process. She said marketing and community involvement are very important, and a good goal for Cherry Corner is that in 6 months she would like to see it at 90% capacity. A Special Meeting was set for Tuesday, October 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Community Center to finalize the contract.

Ron & Mary Lambrecht of R & M Disposal met with the council. They stated they are raising their rates for residential trash pickup from \$16.50 to \$18.00 per month. The last time the residential rates were changed was in 2018.

Amanda Hajny and Roger Bohrer met with the council next regarding Cherry Corner Estates. Continued discussion on current events and the financial situation was held.

Beitler made the motion and was seconded by Daehling to approve the minutes. Horne abstained, motion carried.

Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve the financial reports and city sales tax report. The city sales tax for July received in September was \$21,349.60 compared to \$23,559.74 for the same period last year. Motion carried.

Beitler made the motion and was seconded by Horne to approve the claims with the exception of tabling the payment to the Heritage Tourism Development Director upon more information at the next meeting. Motion carried. The claims will be listed in full at the end of the minutes.

Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve the letter from Karma Ragland resigning from the Library Board. Motion carried.

Superintendent Clark stated they are still unsure as to what caused the power outage and need to investigate it further. 2 water leaks were repaired this month, and Utility Service Co will be here to clean the water tower. The pool is set to be painted this fall. Jim Manternach is putting in a fence, Jennine Schneider is putting in a fence and Conway Insurance is putting up a carport.

Attorney McCracken said the dam project application has been submitted and hopefully we'll find out within a month if the City is a recipient. He has some nuisance properties that need to be sent to Attorney Calkins.

For new business, it was decided to start advertising for the contract labor position at the Community Center on Facebook now, to put it in the paper starting the first week in November and to hire someone at the December meeting.

Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to enter into executive session at 9:18 p.m. to discuss Attorney McCracken's fee and 2 employee evaluations. Motion carried. Beitler made the motion and was seconded by Horne to resume regular session at 9:42 p.m. Motion carried. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve the raises as discussed and the contract for Attorney McCracken. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to be had and done by the Mayor and City Council, Daehling made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to adjourn said meeting at 9:43 p.m. Motion carried.

Also a clarification to the August minutes, the \$10,000 donation to the Historic Preservation Fund was given by Jay Yost and Wade Leak from their Donor Advised Fund that is managed by the Nebraska Community Foundation.

Total Salaries	24,517.46
CPI- fuel & weed spray	161.02
Black Hills Energy- natural gas service	110.08
Verizon- cell phone	48.40
Withholding- 9/15 payroll	1,075.41
Social Security- 9/15 payroll	1,908.16
Medicare- 9/15 payroll	446.28
Nationwide- retirement contribution	1,602.31
Credit Management Services- garnishment	176.69
State Income Tax- month of September	942.73
R & M Disposal- trash collection	12,838.50
City of Red Cloud- applied deposit	200.00
The Lincoln National Life Ins Co- life insurance	174.12
Great Plains- phone/internet	1,056.84
BCBS- health insurance	7,396.79
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NDEE Fiscal Services- annual operating fee	750.00
RC Light/Water- annual transfer	45,015.39
RC Youth Volleyball- RC stamp @ City Hall	20.00
Postmaster- postage on utility bills	244.11
Aflac- insurance	208.31
K Danehey-Nibbe- contract labor	1,050.00
Cherry Corner Estates- payroll/vendor expenses	5,351.61
Garwood & McCracken, Lawyers- legal fees since 9/15/2020	14,568.39
Withholding- 10/1 payroll	1,078.63
Social Security- 10/1 payroll	1,899.82
Medicare- 10/1 payroll	444.30
Nationwide- retirement contribution	1,612.35
Credit Management Services- garnishment	192.74
Engerized Electric- down payment for AC @ CC	15,000.00
Electric- bond & interest	2,000.00

Sewer- to CM sewer reserve	625.00
Water- to CM water reserve	625.00
Heritage- loan payment	731.98
Hometown Leasing- copier agreement	136.64
Mid Rivers 911- 911 contract	350.00
Patrick Calkins- attorney fees	75.00
Various- business insurance transfer	6,598.28
General- to Police Fund	3,295.72
M Clark- cell phone	44.00
J Hersh- cell phone	44.00
R Hitchler- cell phone	44.00
D Long- cell phone	44.00
Various- to Officer's Salary	1,431.24
Various- to Economic Development	981.96
Various- to General	2,426.49
Various- to Board of Trust	416.67
Various- to Historic Preservation	618.75
Webster Co Sheriff- police agreement	3,854.29
Aramark- mop, towel, uniform service	995.61
Rod's Construction- flooring @ City Hall	10,897.00
CPI- TIF money	13,173.14
Eakes- paper, office supplies	232.25
The Library Store- supplies	197.13
Hatten Electric Service- cooling tower fan motor	1,043.90
Auld Public Library- meeting/travel	193.72
MEAN- purchased power	80,152.76
NE Public Health Env Lab- water samples	295.00
TKE Elevator Corporation- elevator maintenance	319.44
PrestoX- pest control	232.19
Red Cloud Chief- ad, notice, minutes	303.55
Mark Bencken- mowing BOT properties	240.00
Cardmember Service- chain sharpener, Adobe	20.32
Heritage Bank- annual payment on golf course mower	3,214.85
C & D Service Center- edger blade, spark plug, pin	65.48
J & A Auto Supply- grease, hose clamp, epoxy, gloves	152.07
CPI- fuel	86.34
Kenny's Hardware & Home Center- materials/supplies	124.18
Vyve Broadband- cable @ CC	107.51
One Call Concepts- line locates	4.23
WAPA- purchased power	4,080.87
Olson Enterprises LLC- fuel, filter, oil, service, tires, battery	1,886.37
Black Hills Energy- natural gas service	575.76
NPPD- annual inspection & testing	3,017.21
Municipal Emergency Services- pack flow testing	810.22

Total Expenses

\$287,071.01

Todd Brown, Mayor

ATTEST: Casie Olson, City Clerk