

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020

As per notice in the Red Cloud Chief, the Mayor and the City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:00 p.m. at City Hall and on Zoom pursuant to Governor Ricketts' Executive Order 20-003. Members present: Mayor Brown, Councilmen Horne, Beitler, Mahin and Goebel via Zoom; Attorney McCracken, Superintendent Clark and Clerk Olson.

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 east wall for public viewing.

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

Jarrod McCartney submitted an updated job description for the Heritage Tourism Development Director for the council to review and revisit next month as well as a Heritage Tourism Development report. Highlights of the report consisted of progress continuing at the hotel and an all-time record was set in February for lodging tax revenue beating the old record by more than 100%.

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

Beitler made the motion and was seconded by Horne to approve the financial reports and the city sales tax report. The city sales tax for February received in April was \$20,509.54 compared to \$13,198.43 for the same period last year. Motion carried.

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.

Goebel made the motion and was seconded by Mahin to approve the audit. Motion carried.

Superintendent Clark said the 2500KV transformer is looking to be completed around July 10th. The alley entrance has been opened by Casey's, and the city crew has been patching streets when they can. He stated progress continues on the CPI project, and city hall will be getting new windows installed next week. Two bids were received for the mudding, taping and texturing at the Scout Lodge. A tree was planted at the cemetery for Arbor Day.

Attorney McCracken informed the council that 12 of the 13 notices of taxable status received from the County Assessor were able to be removed from the tax rolls. A letter has been sent to 731 N Chestnut in regards to someone living in a camper on the property. SCEDD has finished the final round of amendments for the zoning manual, and hopefully the corrected zoning will be ready to vote on next month.

At this point in time, due to state restrictions and insurance concerns, the council all had the general consensus to not open the pool this year. This is subject to change and the council may be willing to revisit this topic if restrictions loosen and COVID-19 cases continue to decrease. An official vote will be made at the next meeting. The Community Center will continue to be closed until further notice.

Under Old Business, Goebel made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to have Attorney McCracken send a letter to 436 N Franklin St. Motion carried. Beitler made the motion and seconded by Horne to have the properties 1021 N Locust St. and 705 N Walnut St. turned over to Attorney Hodge. Motion carried.

Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to enter into executive session at 7:54 p.m. to discuss the bids for scout lodge and job applications received. Motion carried. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to resume the regular meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to hire summer help. Motion carried. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to let Superintendent Clark open a conversation with the other applicant as discussed. Motion carried. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to accept the bid from Rod's Construction for the Scout Lodge. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to be had and done by the Mayor and City Council, Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to adjourn said meeting at 8:31 p.m. Motion carried.

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| Total Salaries                                      | 25,921.17 |
| City of Red Cloud- applied deposits                 | 200.00    |
| Zee Medical Service- first aid kit updates          | 37.50     |
| Sargent Drilling- spool & spacer for north well     | 1,435.00  |
| Verizon- cell phone                                 | 48.02     |
| Postmaster- envelopes                               | 626.00    |
| Sargent Drilling- well & pump tests                 | 600.00    |
| Withholding- 4/15 payroll                           | 997.92    |
| Social Security- 4/15 payroll                       | 1,769.64  |
| Medicare- 4/15 payroll                              | 413.90    |
| Nationwide- retirement contribution                 | 1,220.60  |
| State Income Tax- month of April                    | 1,094.39  |
| R & M Disposal- trash collection                    | 12,371.50 |
| BCBS- health insurance                              | 6,240.79  |
| Great Plains- phone/internet                        | 1,048.01  |
| Aflac- insurance                                    | 167.10    |
| BCBS- health insurance                              | 197.31    |
| Postmaster- postage on utility bills                | 253.30    |
| City of Red Cloud- applied deposits                 | 200.00    |
| The Lincoln Nat'l Life Ins. Co.- life insurance     | 140.91    |
| K. Danehey-Nibbe- contract labor                    | 1,000.00  |
| M. Sprague Revocable Living Trust- refunded deposit | 200.00    |
| C. Schutte- refunded deposit                        | 146.33    |
| Social Security- 5/1 payroll                        | 1,751.58  |
| Withholding- 5/1 payroll                            | 967.10    |
| Medicare- 5/1 payroll                               | 409.66    |
| Nationwide- retirement contribution                 | 1,217.21  |
| Presto-X- pest control                              | 117.70    |
| Auld Public Library- supplies                       | 34.78     |
| Eakes- office supplies                              | 221.68    |
| CPI- fuel, batteries, chemical                      | 1,180.08  |
| Hawkins, Inc.- fluoride                             | 193.85    |
| Aramark- towel, mop, uniform service                | 749.55    |
| NMPP- dues & ERDF contribution                      | 867.80    |
| MARC- disinfectant wipes                            | 121.10    |
| NE Public Health Env. Lab- water sample             | 15.00     |
| Border States- supplies, lights, brackets           | 5,213.63  |
| Landmark Implement- temp gauge, parts for mower     | 928.06    |
| Electric- bond & interest transfer                  | 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                  | 110.00    |
| Mid Rivers 911- 911 service                         | 350.00    |

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| J. Hodge- attorney fees   | 75.00        |
| Various- business insurance transfer                                | 4,754.02     |
| General- to police fund   | 1,916.51     |
| M. Clark- cell phone  | 44.00        |
| J. Hersh- cell phone  | 44.00        |
| D. Long- cell phone   | 33.00        |
| Various- officer's salary   | 1,643.76     |
| Various- to Economic Development                                    | 750.00       |
| Various- to General   | 2,499.99     |
| Various- to Board of Trust  | 833.34       |
| Various- to Historic Preservation                                   | 618.87       |
| Webster Co. Sheriff- police contract                                | 3,854.29     |
| Platte Valley Communications- work on pager                         | 106.75       |
| M. Bencken- mowing BOT properties                                   | 460.00       |
| Earl May- tree for Arbor Day  | 159.00       |
| Van Diest Supply Co.- grass seed/chemical                           | 2,695.38     |
| MEAN- purchased power   | 67,370.62    |
| Harold K. Scholz, Co.- digital metering on 2400V switchgear feeders | 26,690.00    |
| Great White Shredding- shredding old documents                      | 525.00       |
| Dana F. Cole & Co. LLP- auditing services                           | 1,936.88     |
| Bladen Sand & Gravel- millings                                      | 853.80       |
| Solomon Corporation- paint  | 166.74       |
| Jared's Auto Experts- injectors                                     | 636.88       |
| Midwest Turf & Irrigation- pulley idler                             | 82.25        |
| Cardmember Service- fuel, Adobe, Zoom, aluminum ramp                | 287.67       |
| Petty Cash- water sample, postage, donation, gas for C & D site     | 88.69        |
| WAPA- purchased power   | 5,230.14     |
| J & A Auto Supply- tools, filter, cables, belts, oil                | 343.16       |
| C & D Service Center- pipe couplers, gauges                         | 52.03        |
| Kenny's Lumber- hose, battery, clamp, grass seed, shop vac, paint   | 407.68       |
| Black Hills Energy- natural gas service                             | 2,092.61     |
| Olson Enterprises- fuel, tire for mower                             | 90.98        |
| One Call Concepts- line locate                                      | 17.27        |
| Kohmetscher Feed Service- gate                                      | 165.25       |
| Eagle Broadband- cable @ CC   | 94.81        |
| Total Expenses  | \$202,380.52 |

Todd Brown, Mayor

ATTEST: Casie Olson, City Clerk