

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
December 6th, 2022

As per notice in the Red Cloud Chief, the Mayor and the City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 6th, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Red Cloud Community Center. Members present: Mayor Brown, Councilman Horne, Mahin, Bryan, Daehling, Attorney McCracken, Superintendent Thies and Clerk O'Tool.

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.

Clerk O'Tool swore in Todd Brown as Mayor, and Todd Mahin and Kevin Daehling as council members. Councilman Daehling made the motion to appoint Gene Horne as council president seconded by Mahin. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion to appoint councilman Mahin and councilman Daehling as the financial committee, councilman Bryan to the historical committee, councilman Mahin to the Heritage Tourism committee and lastly councilman Horne to the Cherry Corner and SCEDD committees, seconded by Daehling. Motion carried.

First was the Sheriffs Report. Councilman Bryan made the motion and was seconded by Horne to approve the sheriffs report. Motion Carried.

SCEDD was next on the agenda. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve reimbursement request submitted by WCCH seconded by Bryan. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion for the approval of SCEDD Invoice #1459 for administrative services Seconded by Bryan. Motion carried. Councilman Hone made the motion for the approval of request for CDBG Funds Drawdown #5 seconded by Bryan. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve Payment to SCEDD of 1,550.00 for grant administration services (CDBG 2021 public works grant) seconded by Daehling. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve payment to JEO Consulting Group in the amount of 6,788.70 for engineering services seconded by Mahin. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion for approval of Request for CDBG funds Drawdown #4 seconded by Daehling. Motion carried. Councilman Bryan made the motion to approve Payment to Confluence for 4,745.00 for project planning services seconded by Mahin. Motion carried. Lastly councilman Horne made the motion for approval of request for CDBG Funds Drawdown #3 seconded by Bryan. Motion carried

Attorney McCracken gave us information from SCEDD for the Land Development Grant. To continue the application, the council will need to approve the Land development resolution #863 and letter of intent along with any other application forms. Councilman Horne made the motion to approve Land Development Resolution #863 seconded by Daehling. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion to have Mayor Brown sign the letter of intent and any other forms needed for the application process, seconded by Bryan. Motion carried.

Councilman Mahin made the motion to approve the appointment of JEO street superintendent seconded by Bryan motion carried. Councilman Bryan made the motion to re appointment JEO as City Engineers seconded by Mahin. Motion carried.

Councilman Horne made the motion to approve resolution #861 for liquor to be consumed at Fire Hall, seconded by Daehling. Motion carried.

Councilman Daehling made the motion to approve resolution #862 for the Employee Recognition Dinner, seconded by Bryan. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was Cherry Corners. Councilman Horne gave an update on the facility, he let them know about the progress on the nurse call system, Amanda has contacted someone to have the front door fixed as well. Cherry Corner Estates has nine residents right now.

Jarrod McCartney was next on the agenda, but he was unable to attend. He sent the council updates. The printed update informed the council that the shopping extravaganza was a success with a

great turn out. The E3 committee will be working with the Chamber of Commerce to revitalize the Business After Hours program. Lastly the Christmas decorating contest has ten entries as of right now, any business in town is eligible to enter.

Public comments were then opened.

The council and Mayor Brown stated that the City of Red Cloud has switched insurance companies. The switch is helping with letting the city offer insurance to the employee's families as well.

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

Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Mahin to approve the financial reports and city sales tax report. The city sales tax for September received in November was \$22,106.32 compared to \$19,730.28 for the same period last year. Motion carried.

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

Superintendent Thies was present. He informed the council that they swept the streets on November 22nd, also the hole in the street on the west side of the school was filled on November 29th. The guys put up new services before thanksgiving also put a stub pole in at Cherry Corner to make sure it is stable through the winter and planning replacing it in the spring. Let the council know that we should look into a new generator for the sewer plant. The boiler at the power plant has not been working the part that needs to be fixed is under warranty and will be replaced, after having Energized Electric look into it is going to need replumbed before the old parts are replaced. Councilman Horne made the motion to have energized electric replumb the boiler before replacing old parts seconded by Bryan. Motion carried. Next Superintendent Thies let the council know that we need another handheld meter reader. We have three, two are older and were refurbished when they were purchased. Only one base works, if that stops working those two handhelds are obsolete, they no longer make them. The other handheld is uploaded and downloaded by Wi-Fi. Councilman Bryan made the motion to purchase the new meter readers seconded by Mahin. Motion carried.

Councilman Daehling made the motion to approve the electric rebate to Hair Magic, seconded by Horne. Motion Carried.

Attorney McCracken gave a general update. He gave some more information on the Land Development Grant. Attorney McCracken informed the council that the Board of Trust is in the process of trying to purchase a home.

No old business

Under new business Clerk O'Tool went over dates for the next years city council meetings. Due to the Holiday the first meeting in July will be on the 5th of July which is a Wednesday.

Councilman Horne made the motion at 8:20 pm to enter executive session for two employee evaluation seconded by Bryan. Motion Carried. Councilman Daehling made the motion and was seconded by Mahin to return to regular session at 8:57 pm. Motion carried. Councilman Horne made the motion and was seconded by Daehling to approve the raises discussed. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to be had and done by the Mayor and City Council, Councilman Daehling made the motion and was seconded by Mahin to adjourn said meeting at 8:57 pm. Motion carried.

Total Salaries	\$21,903.94
Withholding- 11/15 Payroll	\$1,069.66
Social Security- 11/15 Payroll	\$1,913.98

Medicare- 11/15 Payroll	\$447.62
Nationwide- 11/15 Payroll	\$1,272.02
St Income Tax- Month of November	\$854.92
Credit Management Services- Garnishment	\$213.07
City of Red Cloud- Applied Deposit	\$600.00
C&D Service Center- 10 pc crows' feet set: starter	\$336.69
Conway Insurance- Electric Rebate	\$633.21
Newport- Retirement Plan	\$226.00
Aflac- Insurance	\$222.21
BCBS- Insurance	\$239.78
Kenny's Hardware- Tools, Bolts, Anti Freeze. Etc.	\$1,522.58
Petty Cash- Mileage, water samples, meeting	\$206.08
Confluence- Red Cloud DTR	\$30,641.50
Postmasters- Postage on utility bills	\$267.12
D Conway- Battery, Air compressor	\$150.00
R&M Disposal- Trash collection	\$13,904.00
City of Red Cloud- Applied Deposit	\$200.00
Withholding- 12/1 Payroll	\$1,098.32
Social Security- 12/1 Payroll	\$2,023.48
Medicare- 12/1 Payroll	\$473.22
Nationwide- 12/1 Payroll	\$1,248.87
Credit Management Services- Garnishment	\$210.69
Cherry Corners- Vendor/Payroll	\$10,279.49
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	\$4,680.83
General- To Police Fund	\$3,295.72
P Long- Phone Bills	\$44.00
R Hitchler- Phone Bills	\$44.00
D Long- Phone Bills	\$44.00
D Thies- Phone Bills	\$44.00
Various- Officers Salary	\$1,139.59
Various- Economic Development	\$1,909.98
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	\$750.00
T Brown- Meeting Attendance	\$4,050.00
D Beitler- Meeting Attendance	\$3,150.00
G Horne- Meeting Attendance	\$2,975.00
K Bryan- Meeting Attendance	\$2,975.00
K Daehling- Meeting Attendance	\$2,800.00

M O'Tool- Meeting Attendance	\$1,500.00
M O'Tool- Cemetery Records	\$200.00
Eakes- 11x17 Binder	\$39.08
Eakes- Rubber Bands, Work Orders etc.	\$45.94
Bladen Sand and Gravel- Gravel for Roads	\$229.71
Kearney Winlectric- Triplex overhead aluminum	\$328.27
Great Plains- Phone/ internet	\$997.44
Electronic Systems- Fire Alarm inspection	\$104.00
Central District Health- Water testing	\$120.00
NE State Fire Marshall- Annual Inspection	\$120.00
Auld Public Lib- DVD, Office Supplies	\$48.44
CPI- Fuel	\$420.47
Electric pump- New Hydraulic motor	\$4,841.15
Municipal Supply Inc- 6x1,4x1, cc Thread epoxy coated	\$378.16
Border States- Electric Supplies	\$228.64
NE Public Health- Fluoride	\$18.00
NE Dept of Environmental Energy- Sewer loan payment	\$10,628.80
MEAN- Purchased Power	\$70,093.66
Various- Employee Insurance	\$8,976.20
Border States- Dirt Trap	\$379.48
One Call Concepts- Line Locates	\$7.96
WAPA- Purchased Power	\$6,001.28
Arbor Day Foundation- Membership Renewal	\$15.00
NE Rural Water Association- Annual Fee	\$175.00
The Lincoln National- Life Insurance	\$113.73
Rose Equipment- Gutter Broom	\$368.50
AAD&G- Handicap Door Motor	\$1,287.58
Border States- 3KV Arrestor, Transformer bracket, copper wire	\$1,232.39
Midwest Automatic- Air Regulator	\$461.95
TK Elevator corporation- Maintenance on Elevator	\$341.46
Aramark- Uniform/ towel service	\$124.32
RC EMT- New EMT	\$125.00
NE Fire Sprinkler- Semi-annual inspection	\$420.00
SCEDD- 2022 Nuisance Abatement Program	\$16,250.00
Cardmember Services- HR Manual, Office Chairs ETC	\$629.26
Eakes- Binder Clips, Calculator paper	\$23.58
Red Cloud Athletic Association- Month of Giving	\$1,500.00
T Mahin- Emergency Personnel	\$250.00
Follett School Solutions- License support renewal	\$954.45
Principal- Dental Ins	\$353.57
Black Hills- Natural Gas Services	\$3,044.28
Webster County Treasurer- BOT Real Estate Taxes	\$14.54
Farabee Mechanical- Water Pump Gasket Kit	\$57.36
C&D Service Center- Battery, gauge, ties, oil, and filter	\$372.57
Kenny's Hardware- Concrete mix, cable tie, drill bit etc.	\$1,326.64
Olson Enterprise- Tires, Fuel	\$1,728.24
Readers Digest- Subscription	\$30.00
People Mag- Subscription	\$118.04

GTA- Audit	\$809.00
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Total Expenses	\$269,868.22
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Todd Brown, Mayor
Maddy O'Tool, City Clerk