CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2021

As per notice posted around town, the Mayor and City Council met in a special meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 12:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Community Center. Members present: Mayor Brown, Councilmen Horne, Beitler, Bryan, Attorney McCracken and Clerk Olson. Superintendent Clark 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.

The City of Red Cloud is eligible to apply for a CDBG Planning Grant for Downtown Revitalization. Lori Ferguson with SCEDD visited with the council about this opportunity. She stated this planning grant is a guide for future downtown improvements such as building facades and sidewalks. Ferguson said this is a match grant and the maximum amount that can be applied for is \$50,000 and the City's match would be \$12,500. A public hearing for said project would need to be held at the next council meeting. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to approve the expenditure of the City's share for the grant. Motion carried.

There was discussion on the dam project's rehabilitation and improvement. Ferguson stated she had spoken with a grant writer at JEO to begin the process of applying for a grant. She said this is a very competitive grant and there is a 20% match requirement. A public hearing at the next council meeting will need to be held for this also.

Next on the agenda was the consideration of names for a new councilman for the north ward to replace Councilman Goebel. Horne made the motion and was seconded by Beitler to appoint Kevin Daehling to fill in the remainder of this term. 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 Bryan to adjourn said meeting at 1:19 p.m. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021 7:00 p.m.

Todd Brown, Mayor

ATTEST: Casie Olson, City Clerk