

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order in regular session by Acting Mayor Glen with the following members present: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Absent: Mayor Powers, Councilman Oatman.

The Open Meetings Act is posted on the southeast wall of the City Council Chambers and that prior to this meeting a notice was placed in the Hastings Tribune on October 19, 2012, that notice was posted in three public places, that each Councilmember and Mayor received a copy of the proposed agenda and that an agenda for such meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection and that said meeting is held in open session.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: Jinx Hackler with the South Central Care Giver Coalition addressed the Mayor and Council and advised them that November is National Care Giver Month and on November 8th from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at the Police Station Auditorium the South Central Care Giver Coalition will be hosting a luncheon honoring those people who are caring for people with special needs.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS: None.

Moved by Harrington, seconded by Niemeyer that the following items on the Consent Agenda be approved:

- 1(a) Minutes of the Council Meeting of October 8, 2012.
- 4(a) Payroll for the period ending October 27, 2012, paid November 2, 2012.
- 4(b) Authorizing the City Clerk to issue checks against the various funds for payment of claims. (Claims attached to and made a part of these minutes).
- 5(a) Department Monthly Reports received and placed on file.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

At this time a public hearing was held regarding an application to the Department of Economic Development Corporation for a Community Development Block Grant to complete a needs assessment and revitalization strategy for low to moderate income areas of the City.

No one appeared to speak in favor.

No one appeared to speak in opposition.

The City Clerk advised that her office had received no written objections.

The Mayor declared the hearing closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-33

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL TO SIGN
AN APPLICATION FOR CDBG FUNDS**

Whereas, the City of Hastings, Nebraska, is an eligible unit of a general local government authorized to file an application under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended for Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program, and

Whereas, the City of Hastings, Nebraska, has obtained its citizens' comments on community development and housing needs; and has conducted public hearing(s) upon the proposed application and received favorable public comment respecting the application which for an amount of \$15,000 will be used to complete a needs assessment and revitalization strategy for low to moderate income areas of the City and grant administration, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the City Council of the City of Hastings, Nebraska, that the Mayor be authorized and directed to proceed with the formulation of any and all contracts, documents or other memoranda between the City of Hastings and the Nebraska Department of Economic Development so as to effect acceptance of the grant application.

Moved by Odom, seconded by Goebel that Resolution No. 2012-33 be passed and approved.
Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Nays: None.
Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

Moved by Goebel, seconded by Odom that the Mayor and Council approve the request of Russ Ruxton to increase the permitted fence height in the front yard at 722 East 2nd Street to six feet.

Councilman Goebel stated this is in the area in which he resides and he did go by there and believes this fence will be a great addition to their property and they do need it.

Vote on the motion. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

Moved by Niemeyer, seconded by Krings that the Mayor and Council approve the request of Rod and Andrea Barton to increase the permitted fence height at 1103 North Burlington Avenue to seven feet. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel.

Nays: None. Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

Moved by Harrington, seconded by Niemeyer that the Mayor be authorized to execute Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Public Safety Services. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

Moved by Goebel, seconded by Peterson that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 to Fuel Tech Contract for Low NOx Burners at WEC-1 for a total contract increase of \$12,132.50. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

REPORTS OF LIAISONS: Councilman Goebel reported on the October 11, 2012 Board of Public Works Meeting. The Change Order the Council approved tonight is for a new shaft rather than a used one. There was discussion regarding a Complaint and Reporting Policy, this policy would protect any employee from retaliation if they expose any wrongdoing by another employee.

Councilmember Peterson reported on the Mayor's Youth Council. The Mayor's Youth Council has been involved in a lot of things and are planning things for this year. They have been picking up trash at Lake Hastings, they will be selling hot chocolate at the Celebration of Lights, they are planning a Middle School Dance, they have been participating in bingo at The Kensington and College View Assisted Living and will be involved in the Veteran's Day Parade.

Councilman Odom advised everyone of the Veteran's Day Recognition Parade on November 3, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. We have recognized one veteran in each branch of the service to serve as Grand Marshals.

Moved by Krings, seconded by Niemeyer they being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourn at 7:20 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Peterson, Odom, Niemeyer, Glen, Krings, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Oatman. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

10-22-2012

City Clerk

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