

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, July 27, 2015

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 220 N. Hastings Avenue, on July 27, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session by Mayor Powers with the following members present: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel.  
Absent: Duval, Krings.

The Mayor led the group in recital of the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America.

Moved by Niemeyer, seconded by Skutnik that the Agenda for the July 27, 2015 Regular Meeting be adopted. Official Notice of the meeting was given in the Hastings Tribune on Friday, July 24, 2015.

Roll Call resulted as follows: Aye: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel  
No: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried.

Mayor Powers read the Public Notice – Pursuant to the Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material which will be discussed at today's meeting is located at the back of the Council Chambers. Also, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Council Chambers which is accessible to members of the public.

Councilmember Goebel reported on the Board of Public Works meeting held July 16, 2015. Dave Rippe gave an update on how economic development might occur in the new Hastings Truck Bypass Route area.

The board discussed the North Baltimore floodplain study. On August 11, 2015 there will be a public meeting in the Council Chambers, with NDEQ (Nebraska Department of Environmental Equality) in attendance. They will look at floodplain areas in Adams County and possibly Clay County. The next meeting for the Board of Public Works is scheduled for this Thursday, July 30, 2015, at 9a.m. at Hastings Utilities.

Tammie Schik, 1945 West 10th Street, President of the Hastings International Exchange Organization (H.I.E.O) stood to speak in regards to the recent visit from Ozu, Japan representatives. The group stayed with 16 host families and were thankful to Hastings for their hospitality. Mayor Powers and Joe Patterson spoke on the extraordinary group from Ozu.

Phil Odom took a small Ozu group to tour the facilities at the Meat Animal Research and Hastings Utilities. The group is interested in the cost of doing business in Hastings. We need to continue this relationship between Ozu and Hastings not only for friendships but also economic opportunities.

Mayor Powers mentioned that a trip to Ozu, Japan is planned for Spring 2016.

Mayor Powers recognized Sgt. Steven Murphy who is retiring August 7th, 2015 after 43 years of service to the City of Hastings' Police Department by presenting him with a certificate. The Mayor announced that Sgt. Murphy during his time with the Police Department worked in the Patrol Division, Detective Bureau, Drug Division, and Administration.

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

- 1(a) Minutes of the Council Meeting of July 13, 2015.
- 2(a) Approval of the application of Richard L. Kohmetscher dba "Dick's Place" for a Special Designated License at the Adams County Fairgrounds on September 26, 2015.
- (b) Approval of the application of Richard L. Kohmetscher dba "Dick's Place" for a Special Designated License at the Adams County Fairgrounds on October 10, 2015.
- (c) Approval of the application of Midtowne Mart LLC for a Special Designated License at the Colonial Gardens Event Center on August 22, 2015.
- 4(a) Approval of the payroll for the period ending August 1, 2015, paid August 7, 2015.
- (b) Approval of the regular claims and authorizing the City Clerk to issue checks against the various funds for payment.
- (c) Approval of the payment to Werner Construction, Inc. for \$109,514.63 for 2013 Comprehensive Revitalization Phase I, Streets Project 13-CR-108.
- (d) Approval of the request for CDBG funds, Drawdown #6 (\$109,514.63) for CDBG Comprehensive Revitalization, Streets Project 13-CR-108.
- (e) Approve of the payment to South Central Economic Development District, Inc. for \$3,000.00 (Inv. 491) for grant administration services for CDBG Comprehensive Revitalization, Streets Project 13-CR-108.
- (f) Approval of the request for CDBG funds, Drawdown #7 (\$3,000.00) for CDBG Comprehensive Revitalization, Streets Project 13-CR-108.
- 5(a) Department Monthly Reports received and placed on file.

Roll Call resulted as follows: Aye: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel  
No: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried.

Moved by Odom, seconded by Niemeyer for approval of the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Hastings, Hastings Utilities and Adams County for development, implementation and maintenance of the Geographic Information System (GIS) through 2020.

Roll Call resulted as follows: Aye: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel  
No: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried.

Moved by Harrington, seconded by Niemeyer for approval of participation in the FEMA Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program to purchase an outdoor siren to replace the existing siren located at 10th Street and Laird Avenue and paying the 25% cost-share in the amount of \$4,725.12.

Roll Call resulted as follows: Aye: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel  
No: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried.

Moved by Goebel, seconded by Hoops for approval of creating a Sanitary Sewer Extension District on North 2nd Avenue and adjacent properties and authorizing the City Attorney to prepare ordinance creating the district.

Councilmember Odom requested a presentation on the process of the sanitary district, prior to creating the district. Joe Patterson stated that the August Council Work Session is taken by the budget, but September would be a possibility. Hastings Utilities could have a presentation at a City Council meeting in August. Mayor Powers stated that a preliminary position paper on the subject would be beneficial.

Roll Call resulted as follows: Aye: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel  
No: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried.

Moved by Skutnik, seconded by Niemeyer that the Mayor and Council go into Executive Session at 5:55 P.M. to discuss negotiation. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried.

Moved by Harrington, seconded by Odom that the Mayor and Council go out of Executive Session into Regular Session at 6:14 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried .

Moved by Odom, seconded by Niemeyer there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:14 P.M. Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Odom, Niemeyer, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: Duval, Krings. The motion carried .

APPROVED:

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

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