

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Monday, August 10, 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 August 10, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in Regular Session by Mayor Powers with the following members present: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Absent: None.

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

Moved by Niemeyer, seconded by Skutnik that the Agenda for the August 10, 2015 Regular Meeting be adopted. Official Notice of the meeting was given in the Hastings Tribune on Friday, August 7, 2015.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. 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 attended the Board of Public Works meeting held July 30, 2015. He reported on improvements over the last few weeks in wholesale electric sales. Both WEC1 (Whelan Energy Center 1) and WEC2 (Whelan Energy Center 2) units are running at full capacity during the day. Mike Hernandez, Director of Electric Production, reported on a succession plan for plant operators. He explained that training of plant operators takes approximately two years to complete before they are prepared to work in that capacity. A recommendation was made to hire four new employees to begin an operator training program. Salary and benefit expenses for the new hires would be shared with PPGA (Public Power Generation Agency) when working for WEC2, and fully Hastings Utilities expense when working on WEC1. The recommendation was approved by the Board of Public Works 4-0. The next meeting for the Board of Public Works is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 2015, at 9a.m. at Hastings Utilities.

Councilmember Hoops reported that the Museum and Library have approved an agreement for temporary use of space at the Museum during Library renovations. The Library intends to hold a bid letting in September for construction of those renovations. There will be a limited book collection at the Museum for approximately 18 months. The Library is looking for storage space for the bulk of their book collection and prefer the additional storage to be readily accessible on a main level or by elevator.

Mayor Powers recognized the service anniversaries for Tracy Hazen, 15 years of service as of August 7, 2015; Ronald Lewis, 15 years of service as of August 7, 2015; Adam Story, 20 years of service as of August 14, 2015; Bruce Sandahl, 15 years of service as of August 6, 2015.

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

1(a) Minutes of the Council Meeting of July 27, 2015.

(b) Minutes of the Council Worksession of July 20, 2015.

2(a) Approval of the manager application of Leonald D. Fagmeyer in connection with the Class “CK”

Liquor License of the Adams County Agricultural Society located at 947 S. Baltimore Avenue.

(b) Approval of the request of Oregon Trail Rodeo Committee to utilize City streets for a 5K/10K walk/run on August 29, 2015.

4(a) Approval of the payroll for the period ending August 15, 2015, paid August 21, 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 prepaid claims and authorizing the City Clerk to issue checks against the various funds for payment.

5(a) Department Monthly Reports received and placed on file.

6(a) Approval of the renewal of Liquor License Applications for the following Class "C" Liquor Licenses for the period of November 1, 2015 through October 31, 2016: 2nd Street Slammer Inc., Adams County Ag. Society, Art Bar, LLC, B & R Stores, Inc., Barrel Bar, Inc., Bernardo, Inc., Budson, Inc., Bullseye's Inc., Caribbean Bar & Grill, LLC, Disabled American Veterans, Eagles FO Hastings Aerie 592, Fucor, Inc., Gabriel Sanchez (2), George J. Beckby, Halftime Lounge, LLC, Hallett, Inc., Hamur, LLC, Highland Operating Company, Hilburn Enterprises Inc., Kitty's Roadhouse LLC, Midtowne Mart, LLC, Miscues, LLC, Murphy's Wagon Wheel, Inc. (2), Raenae Rollins, Restaurant Management Service, LLC, Rivals Bar & Grill, LLC, Virginia Wolz, Wanda's, LLC. Catering Licenses for the period of November 1, 2015 through October 31, 2016: 2nd Street Slammer Inc., Adams County Ag. Society, Bullseye's Inc., Eagles Frat Hastings Aerie 592, Kitty's Roadhouse, LLC, Midtowne Mart LLC, Miscues, LLC, Murphy's Wagon Wheel Inc., Raenae Rollins.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

At this time Joe Patterson, City Administrator, presented the 2015-2016 Annual City Budget. (Presentation attached to and made a part of these minutes.)

Moved by Odom, seconded by Skutnik to approve of the preliminary/final plat of Tom Pavelka Subdivision.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 4447. . . VACATING A PORTION OF RAILROAD STREET LOCATED NORTH OF BLOCKS 13 AND 14, ST. JOESPH'S ADDITION TO HASTINGS, ADAMS COUNTY, NEBRASKA AND RETAINING THE PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT CONTAINED THEREON; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF THIS ORDINANCE WITH THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OF ADAMS COUNTY, NEBRASKA; REPEALING INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

Said Ordinance was read by title and thereafter Councilmember Goebel moved for passage of the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Odom.

The Mayor then stated the question was "Shall Ordinance No. 4447 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote the following Councilmembers voted as follows: YEA: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel No: None. The motion passed on first reading only.

Councilmember Krings moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended; Councilmember Skutnik seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote the following Councilmembers voted as follows: YEA: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops,

Skutnik, Goebel No: None The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three fourths vote of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance.

The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted upon second and final reading and the Mayor signed and approved the ordinance. City Clerk attested the passage approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto. Published in the Hastings Tribune on August 14, 2015. Effective date of the ordinance is August 26, 2015.

ORDINANCE NO. 4448. . . AMEND SECTION 8-107 OF THE OFFICIAL CITY CODE DEALING WITH THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE STATE OR CERTAIN GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISIONS THEREOF; REPEALING INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

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Moved by Niemeyer, seconded by Skutnik there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harrington, Duval, Odom, Niemeyer, Krings, Hoops, Skutnik, Goebel. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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