



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

June 7, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

MINUTES

Notice of the meeting was given by posting and publishing in The Crete News, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the Proof of Publication attached to the minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and City Council. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open Meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska in the back of the Council Chambers. Additional copies are available to read. The City may consider items listed on the agenda in random order. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

1. Open Meeting

2. Roll Call

Kyle Frans: Present

Ryan Hinz: Present

Jack Oelschlager: Present

Dan Papik: Present

Travis Sears: Present

Dale Strehle: Present

Present: 6.

3. Consent Agenda

Approve consent agenda, removing 3D and considering it separately. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

3.A. Approve Meeting Minutes

3.A.1. May 3, 2022 Public Works Committee Meeting minutes

- 3.A.2. May 17, 2022 Personnel Committee Meeting minutes**
- 3.A.3. May 17, 2022 Public Safety Committee Meeting minutes**
- 3.A.4. May 17, 2022 City Council Meeting minutes**
- 3.B. Accept the City Treasurer's Report**
- 3.C. Approve the Payment of Claims Against the City**

3.D. Mayor appointment of Kyle McGowan to the Civil Service Commission for the term ending May 1, 2027.

Mayor Dave Bauer announced that 5-year member Jay Gilbert is retiring from the Civil Service Commission. Mayor Bauer presented Gilbert with a certificate to recognize and thank him for his 5 years of service.

Approve the Mayor's appointment of Kyle McGowan to the Civil Service Commission for the term ending May 1, 2027. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4. Items of Business

4.A. Consider approving Windstream Nebraska's application for a permit to occupy the city right-of-way at 2429 County Road F for fiber placement.

City Administrator Tom Ourada informed the Council that this is a multiple property request for beneficial fiber placement. The Public Works Committee met on this and recommended approving the application.

Approve Windstream Nebraska's application for a permit to occupy the city right-of-way at 2429 County Road F for fiber placement. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.B. Consider accepting SEI's proposal for installation and service of access control to multiple doors at the Crete Police Station at a cost of \$9,725.00.

City Administrator Tom Ourada reported that the City is integrating card access to City buildings in phases, and the police station is next. The Public Safety Committee met on this and recommended approving the proposal.

Approve SEI's proposal for installation and service of access control to multiple doors at the Crete Police Station at a cost of \$9,725.00. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.C. Consider accepting SEI's proposal for installation and service of exterior cameras at the Crete Police Station at a cost of \$13,494.00.

Table this item until the next Council meeting. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Kyle Frans.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.D. Consider approving the Police Department to engage TLOxp to apply Open Source Intelligence techniques at a cost of \$2,040 per year.

Police Chief Steve Hensel reported that this tool provides the Department with public information from many different sources and has it in one place. This would be a time and money saver, as it would cut down hours of investigating by having that variety of ready to use information on one platform. The Public Safety Committee met on this and recommended the Police Department to use this tool.

Approve the Police Department to engage TLOxp to apply Open Source Intelligence techniques at a cost of \$2,040 per year. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Kyle Frans.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.E. Consider entering into an agreement with TCI in the amount of \$15,500.00 for a K9 with Handler Certification course.

Lieutenant Gary Young informed the Council that Officer Audrey Arbuckle was selected as the K9 Handler. A site visit was made to the facility in Texas, where they spoke with the trainer, observed some of the training, and toured the facility. Going this route will give the department more benefits at a lower cost, surpassing all state-required expectations. The Public Safety met on this and heard from Officer Puckett and Officer Arbuckle on all of the benefits this training center has to offer. The Committee recommended that the Council approve the agreement.

Approve entering into an agreement with TCI in the amount of \$15,500.00 for a K9 with Handler Certification course. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.F. Consider enacting Ordinance 2148: An ordinance relating to established neighborhood and new development design standards.

City Administrator Tom Ourada explained that this ordinance separates the design standards for new and established neighborhoods to give developers of new neighborhoods latitude to do things that would violate current code. The Legislative and Economic Development Committee and the Planning Commission met on this and recommended enacting the ordinance. Developer Ron Sack expressed a few of his concerns, to which Mayor Dave Bauer recommended tabling the issue until the next Council meeting.

Table until the next Council meeting. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Jack Oelschlager.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.G. Consider entering into a service agreement with Confluence for planning services on the Comprehensive Plan at a cost of \$169,500.00.

The Finance Committee met on this and discussed the service agreement and its benefits. It was their recommendation to approve entering into the agreement with Confluence.

Approve entering into a service agreement with Confluence for planning services on the Comprehensive Plan at a cost of \$169,500.00. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Dan Papik.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.H. Consider approving the Certificate of Substantial Completion and Application for Payment No. 4 in the amount of \$16,181.00 to Dostals Construction Company for the 2020 Wildwood Pool Play Structure.

The Parks and Recreation Committee met on this and recommended approving the completion and last payment of the Wildwood Pool Play Structure. Committee Chair Kyle Frans commented that everything looked great.

Approve the Certificate of Substantial Completion and Application for Payment No. 4 in the amount of \$16,181.00 to Dostals Construction Company for the 2020 Wildwood Pool Play Structure. Carried with a motion by Kyle Frans and a second by Dale Strehle.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.I. Consider authorizing design services for the layout of the south drive of the City Park expansion.

The Parks and Recreation Committee met on this and had nothing but positive comments on the direction that the park expansion is going. Their recommendation is to authorize design services for the south drive of the expansion.

Approve authorizing design services for the layout of the south drive of the City Park expansion. Carried with a motion by Kyle Frans and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.J. Consider amending Section 4.02 of the Personnel Rules and Regulations to include 'Juneteenth' as a paid holiday.

City Administrator Tom Ourada looked into this holiday, confirming that most other first class cities have incorporated this new federal holiday as a paid holiday. The Personnel Committee met on this and recommended approving the holiday into our personnel rules and regulations.

Approve amending Section 4.02 of the Personnel Rules and Regulations to include

'Juneteenth' as a paid holiday. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Travis Sears.
Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye,
Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.K. Consider approving BRAC's proposal for project continuation on the Isis Theatre.

Blue River Arts Council's President, Shay Smith, informed the Council that all they need is written proof that they will own the Isis Theater building when the project is done. They need the amended Memorandum of Understanding, simply stating that the BRAC will purchase the building when the project is finished. BRAC will bring back numbers for continuing construction after bid letting in 2-4 weeks.

Approve BRAC's proposal for project continuation on the Isis Theatre. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Dan Papik.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye,
Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.L. Consider approving the bid of \$63,862.20 from Phil Carkowski for the water filter plant.

City Administrator reported that Phil Carkowski was the low bid for the water filter plant. He also reported that the engineer, Keith Gilmore, was able to get Carkowski to move up the timeline and start work next week, if approved by the Council tonight. The Public Works Committee met on this, and after realizing the last time that this was done was in 2005, recommended approving the bid.

Approve the bid of \$63,862.20 from Phil Carkowski for the water filter plant. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye,
Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

5. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concerns

6. Officers' Reports

- Public Works Director Brian Stork reported:
 - The Street Department started spraying for mosquitos last night
 - The Parks Department was able to do the repairs to the damaged slide at Tuxedo Park and it was reinstalled today
- Library Director Joy Stevenson reported that the Summer Reading Program kickoff last Thursday was a success. Also, there are over 300 kids signed up for the reading challenge, which is much more than previous years.
- Council Member Jack Oelschlager reported that the Public Safety Committee will meet for the UTV demonstration on Wednesday June 22, 2022 at 4:30pm
- City Administrator Tom Ourada reported:
 - Met with police officers, discussing Police Chief Steve Hensel retiring at the end of the year, and what standards should be for the next police chief. When the time

comes, both Sergeant Puckett and Officer Jonas will join Ourada and Mayor Bauer in the police chief interviews.

- Met with the Wenz's today regarding the purchase of their property south of town for the proposed sports complex. The route to the new complex would go right through downtown, increasing the amount of traffic passing our Main Street businesses
- Mayor Dave Bauer reported:
 - a reminder to citizens who put up signs downtown advertising garage sales to go back and take the signs down and remove any tape afterwards
 - another reminder to citizens to not throw their grass in the streets after mowing, it is illegal
 - is disappointed with comments on social media that are not well-informed and asked for citizens to call the City, or him personally, to ask questions about City issues before posting uneducated comments online.

7. Adjournment

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk-Treasurer

I, Jerry Wilcox, City Clerk for the City of Crete, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council. I hereby certify that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Council Chambers. I certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk. I certify that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting and that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public. I certify that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the City Council. I certify that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of the City Council were provided with advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

City Clerk-Treasurer

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