



CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

December 17th, 2024 at 5:00 PM
Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

MINUTES

Notice of the meeting was given by posting, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the attached notice, at the following locations:

City Hall, 243 East 13th Street
Post Office, 1242 Linden Avenue
City Bank and Trust, 1135 Main Avenue

Advance notice of the meeting was also given to committee members. 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. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Open Meeting

2. Roll Call

Anthony Fitzgerald: Present
Dan Papik: Present
Dale Strehle: Present
Present: 3.

3. Items of Business

3.A. Consider Ordinance 2229 amending Utility Rates to be passed by ordinance

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, explained that this requires water and sewer ordinances to be listed with the Public Works Director and City Clerk. When doing it by ordinance, it gives the opportunity to do it in three readings, as in doing it by Master Fee Schedule, it is all in one. City Attorney, Anna Burge, stated that this makes it easy for the back office when we are not certain what rates are being applied. This will help keep rates more consistent.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to adopt Ordinance 2229 amending Utility Rates to be passed by ordinance. Carried with a motion by Anthony Fitzgerald and a second by Dan Papik.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

3.B. Discuss garbage franchise

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, explained how he met with the Garbage Company and the weight of the trucks was discussed. Tom stated that, in fairness to the garbage company, someone else coming in would probably not be able to compete because the garbage company had already advertised the cost of their totes/containers. Tom feels that by negotiating with the garbage company, their rates would be lower. In order not to have a bid, Tom thinks they would be receptive to some other things from what was discussed. More negotiating will be done with the garbage company.

3.C. Discuss the 1 and 6-year plan

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, discussed how the one-year is a little different. The alley downtown will be a carryover and will be constructed, as well as 2 and 3. The largest change is that the 15th Street plan was moved from the one-year to the six-year. Further discussion was made on what is on the one-year plan and the six-year plan. The Planning Commission will take the 1-and-6 in their meeting in January, and in February the City Council will approve, change or amend it.

4. Officers' Reports

5. Adjournment