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## **CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**

April 5, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Crete City Hall, 243 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street

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### **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**

Ryan Hinz: Present

Jack Oelschlager: Present

Dale Strehle: Present

Present: 3.

#### **3. Items of Business**

##### **3.A. Provide a recommendation to the City Council on entering into an agreement with One Billing Solutions for billing and collection services for the Fire Department.**

Assistant Fire Chief James Yost informed the committee that their current company was bought out and the service is now difficult and not very personable. One Billing Solutions is a smaller, more one-on-one service provider and the price is the same.

Recommend to the City Council to enter into an agreement with One Billing Solutions for billing and collection services for the Fire Department. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Dale Strehle.

Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

**3.B. Provide a recommendation to the City Council on appropriating an additional \$25,340.33 to have one of the new police cruisers be a police service dog vehicle.**

City Administrator Tom Ourada stated that the vehicle is only the first of many costs associated with implementing a K-9 Unit. It includes all of the add-on features necessary for a K-9 Unit. Police Chief Steve Hensel confirmed that this is only the first step in the process. There will be training for the handler and the dog in the future, as well as necessary costs like food and veterinarian bills. The purchase and/or receiving of the vehicle may not be until next fiscal year, but they would like to get the process started now. Hensel added that just in the last week and a half, the task force on the interstate in Seward County seized \$450,000 in cash. If Crete PD were part of the interdiction team, we would get a percentage of the seized money as well, and would love to just be a part of the effort.

Recommend to the City Council to appropriate an additional \$25,340.33 to have one of the new police cruisers be a police service dog vehicle. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Dale Strehle.

Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye  
Aye: 3, No: 0

**3.C. Provide a recommendation to the City Council on approving a special event permit application, with street closures, from the Chamber of Commerce for a Cinco de Mayo celebration at City Park on May 8, 2022 from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm.**

City Administrator Tom Ourada explained that the Chamber of Commerce would like to hold a Cinco de Mayo celebration that would involve some street closures in the City Park area. It will be held from 12:00pm to 5:00pm on May 8, 2022 and the Chamber is requesting the use of city barricades and trash cans. The Police Chief and the Public Works Director met on this and found no issues.

Recommend to the City Council to approve the special event permit application, with street closures, from the Chamber of Commerce for a Cinco de Mayo celebration at City Park on May 8, 2022 from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Dale Strehle.

Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye  
Aye: 3, No: 0

**4. Officers' Reports**

**5. Adjournment**