



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

July 18, 2023 at 6:00 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

Tom Crisman:	Absent
Dale Strehle:	Absent
Anthony Fitzgerald:	Present
Kyle Frans:	Present
Ashley Newmyer:	Present
Dan Papik:	Present

Present: 4, Absent: 2.

3. Consent Agenda

Approved the consent agenda as presented. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye
Aye: 4, No: 0

3.A. Approve Meeting Minutes

3.A.1. June 6, 2023 Public Works Committee minutes

- 3.A.2. June 20, 2023 Public Works Committee minutes
- 3.A.3. July 5, 2023 City Council Minutes
- 3.A.4. July 5, 2023 Finance Committee minutes
- 3.A.5. July 5, 2023 Leg.Econ.Devleopment Committee minutes
- 3.A.6. July 5, 2023 Personnel Committee minutes
- 3.A.7. July 5, 2023 Public Safety Committee minutes
- 3.A.8. July 11, 2023 Park and Rec Committee minutes
- 3.B. Accept the City Treasurer's Report
- 3.C. Approve the Payment of Claims Against the City
- 3.D. Approve Cline Williams invoices totalling \$22,599.00

4. Items of Business

4.A. Mayor's Appointment of Anna Burge as City Attorney.

Approved the Mayor's Appointment of Anna Burge as City Attorney. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye
Aye: 4, No: 0

4.B. Consider the Change Request-COR #006 in the amount of \$9,014 from Kingery Construction CO. for the Crete Isis Theatre Phase I.

City Administrator Tom Ourada stated that Shaylene Smith, Executive Director of the Blue River Arts Council explained to the Public Works Committee this change order is being paid from the Daugherty Foundation grant.

Approved the Change Request-COR #006 in the amount of \$9,014 from Kingery Construction CO. for the Crete Isis Theatre Phase I. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye
Aye: 4, No: 0

4.C. Consider Resolution NO. 2023-14 A resolution of the City of Crete, Nebraska setting the notice period to terminate participation in the League Association of Risk Management and the contribution credits corresponding to such termination notice.

City Administrator Tom Ourada explained that the League Association of Risk Management coverage has gone up. By providing written notice of termination at least 180 days prior to the desired termination date, there is a 5% discount. Last year the council took action to give notice to end the contract this year. When looking at other bids they would have to be really good to do anything other than LARM because it is done through an interlocal agreement, which means that it's not under the lid. There are options to select a commitment and there is a discount for each option.

After reviewing the options, the Finance Committee selected the 180 day and 3 year commitment with a 5% discount.

Adopted Resolution NO. 2023-14 A resolution of the City of Crete, Nebraska setting the notice period to terminate participation in the League Association of Risk Management and the contribution credits corresponding to such termination notice and selected the 180-day and 3-

year commitment; 5% discount. Carried with a motion by Kyle Frans and a second by Dan Papik.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye

Aye: 4, No: 0

4.D. Mayor's Proclamation Celebrating September 8th-17th as Welcoming Week.

Community Assistance Director Marilyn Schacht stated that Welcoming Week is going to be celebrated September 8th-17th and Crete will be starting the celebration with the Back to School Community Picnic on August 1st 2023 at Doane University from 5pm-8pm. During this event Mayor Bauer would be able to attend and read the Proclamation. Mayor Bauer stated that since it is a council meeting night he would be there right after the meeting.

Schacht stated that there will be various community organizational booths providing resources.

4.E. Approve payment of claims to Crete Ace Hardware in the amount of \$2,062.86

Approved payment of claims to Crete Ace Hardware in the amount of \$2,062.86. Mayor Bauer voted to form a quorum. Carried with a motion by Anthony Fitzgerald and a second by Kyle Frans.

Dan Papik: Abstain (With Conflict), Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dave Bauer: Aye

Aye: 4, No: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Mayor Bauer voted to form a quorum since Dan Papik abstained with conflict.

4.F. Consider a sports complex project.

Tabled considering a sports complex project. Carried with a motion by Ashley Newmyer and a second by Kyle Frans.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye

Aye: 4, No: 0

4.G. Consider the Contractor's Application No. 2 for Payment from Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$324,729.53

Approved the Contractor's Application No. 2 for Payment from Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$324,729.53 Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ashley Newmyer: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye

Aye: 4, No: 0

5. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concerns

6. Officers' Reports

- Chief of Police Young reported the following

- The Police's National Night Out/Back to School Event will be on August 1st at Doane University from 5pm-8pm.

- The Police Department and fire department have been working with students with the flow of things with the construction of the new dorms. Students are scheduled to move in January.
 - Working with Nestle Purina on Critical Incident Management
 - Human Resource Coordinator, Savannah Anderson has been working with the City employees on the Critical Incident Management.
- Liz Cody, Park and Recreation Director stated the following
 - Thanked the City Council and the Park and Recreation Committee for meeting to discuss the parks facilities
 - July is a dangerous month for children ages 1-4 drowning and mentioned that the Crete Pool is fully staffed
 - Friday, July 21st 2023 there will be pool in-service response training
 - Cody has worked to provide alternative to soccer teams to play at another field while the Saline County Fair is at Tuxedo Park.
 - Savannah Anderson, Human Resource Coordinator introduced Carlos Mayo who has been working for the Street Department as a new Crete Fire Department Volunteer.
 - Tod Allen, Fire Chief stated that Carlos Mayo had been training the previous night.
 - There will be changes to the bylaws
 - Invited everyone to the Crete Volunteer Fire Department BBQ and Raffle on Saturday, July 22nd 2023 at 5pm at the County Fair.
 - City Administrator, Tom Ourada reported on the following
 - City Attorney, Anna Burge sent a response to Viking Insurance Company of Wisconsin regarding a claim where City property was damaged and was able to get 95% coverage of the replacement costs.
 - Clarified that the Parks and Recreation Committee moved forward with an action to recommend to the City Council to consider a sports complex and the City Council tabled this item until all members of the council are present.
 - Met with the Mayor and the Nebraska Department of Transportation to discuss truck traffic
 - Met with the Economic Development Administration and the Southeast Nebraska Development District to discuss a grant eligible project with the power distribution and transformer at Doane University. This is an 80/20 grant and would possibly help with the 5-million-dollar project. Will be having another meeting with the Denver office to discuss further.
 - Mayor Dave Bauer invited everyone to attend the Back-to-School Event at Doane University on August 1st 2023 from 5pm-8pm and the Crete Volunteer Fire Department BBQ on Saturday, July 22nd 2023 at 5pm
 - The City of Crete will be participating in the Saline County Fair Parade on Saturday, July 22nd at 1:30pm

7. Adjournment

6:32pm

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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