



CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

November 5th, 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 the Invitation to Bid for the "Walnut Creek Sewer Repair" project

Simonson with JEO discussed how this project was initiated because near 22nd and Kingwood some aerial sewer was damaged, and a temporary fix was put into place. Simonson discussed the solution of putting a 16-inch steel casing across the creek with an 8-inch sewer inside the steel casing. This steel casing is to protect it from future events. This project is to be awarded to a contractor before the end of the year and use remaining ARPA funds.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve the Invitation to Bid for the "Walnut Creek Sewer Repair" project. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

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

Aye: 3, No: 0

3.B. Consider the Walnut Creek Aerial Sewer Bid Documents

Tom Ourada, City Administrator, stated that this is what was discussed in the previous action that Simonson, with JEO, spoke about. It is to put in a 16-inch steel casing where the aerial sewer was damaged at 22nd and Kingwood.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve the Walnut Creek Aerial Sewer Bid Documents. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald. Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 3, No: 0

3.C. Consider the amended Stehlik Administrative subdivision, now titled Stehlik Family Acres.

Anna Burge, City Attorney, discussed how the County had rejected the first submission. Surveyors should have checked with the County before submitting it to the City, so the name was incorrect. Another change that was made was that the triangle was also included in lot 1. Anna stated that she had sent it back to the County, and they did say that it would be sufficient.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve the amended Stehlik Administrative subdivision, now titled Stehlik Family Acres. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 3, No: 0

3.D. Consider Ordinance 2220 Sale of City Farm Property

Anna Burge, City Attorney, explained that by state law we would have to do it under Ordinance if selling City property.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve 2220 Sale of City Farm property. 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.E. Consider granting relaxation from sidewalk placement on Iris at Eastgate

Tom Ourada, City Administrator, explained that to match the sidewalk line it is different from City standards and the City standard is 18-inches off the property line. There is a way to do it, but it would be with a wide sidewalk and unnecessary additional costs. This requires the Council in each and every case to grant an exception for the sidewalk. This Eastgate sidewalk will match the rest of the sidewalk that is set in place, so it is not off set.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve granting relaxation from sidewalk placement on Iris at Eastgate. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 3, No: 0

3.F. Consider Ordinance 2222 amending sewer department billing and collecting

Tom Ourada, City Administrator, explained that instead of saying the lowest three of the five winter months, we will just say December, January, February when figuring out sewer billing.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve Ordinance 2222 amending sewer department billing and collecting. 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.G. Discuss Creation of Street Improvement District Alley of Block 143.

Tom Ourada, City Administrator, discussed how this alley is in bad shape. The City would create a placement district and offer LB840 for businesses that would pay for half of their paving assessments and that would be reasonable. This would help be able to distinguish where the alley ends and begins. Offering LB840 will help it not get protested. Tom did state that this would be worth doing.

3.H. Consider the Application for a permit to occupy City of Crete Right-of-Way from Black Hills Energy

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, agreed that this is the same as the usual permit that Black Hills Energy gets when doing construction work in the City.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve application for a permit to occupy City of Crete Right-of Way from Black Hills Energy. 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.I. Consider Resolution 2024-23 Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent 2024

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, explained that this is to continue to have him (Tom) to do the 1 and 6, and everything associated with City Street Superintendent.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve Resolution 2024-23 Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent 2024. 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

4. Officers' Reports

5. Adjournment