



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

January 4, 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

Ryan Hinz: Absent
Kyle Frans: Present
Jack Oelschlager: Present
Dan Papik: Present
Travis Sears: Present
Dale Strehle: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

3. Consent Agenda

Approve consent agenda as presented. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 5, No: 0

3.A. Approve Meeting Minutes

3.A.1. December 21, 2021 City Council meeting

3.A.2. December 21, 2021 Finance Committee meeting

3.A.3. December 21, 2021 Legislative Development Committee meeting

3.A.4. December 21, 2021 Public Safety Committee meeting

3.B. Accept the City Treasurer's Report

3.C. Approve the Payment of Claims Against the City

4. Items of Business

4.A. Consider approving the payment of \$120,357.00 to Dostals Construction Company for construction expenses on the Wildwood Pool splash pad.

City Administrator Tom Ourada reported that this is the second payment for Dostals Construction and that the splash pad is on schedule. The Public Works Committee met on this and recommended approved the payment.

Approve the payment of \$120,357.00 to Dostals Construction Company for construction expenses on the Wildwood Pool splash pad. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 5, No: 0

4.B. Consider authorizing the purchase of an additional new police cruiser from AFL, LLC for \$36,516 and the installation of police vehicle equipment by Jones Automotive for \$11,064.08.

City Administrator Tom Ourada stated that he is working with the police chief on creative solutions to current staffing challenges, one of them being to purchase this new police cruiser. The Public Safety Committee met on this and recommended authorizing the purchase.

Approve authorizing the purchase of an additional new police cruiser from AFL, LLC for \$36,516 and the installation of police vehicle equipment by Jones Automotive for \$11,064.08. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Dale Strehle.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 5, No: 0

4.C. Consider authorizing the payment of up to \$3,500 to JEO Consulting Group for consulting services related to a new water rate study.

City Administrator Tom Ourada informed the council that the water rate study that was done years back is not yielding the revenue that was expected. Tom requested that JEO to take another look at the rates. The Public Works Committee met on this and recommended authorizing the payment, not to exceed \$3,500.

Approve authorizing the payment of up to \$3,500 to JEO Consulting Group for consulting services related to a new water rate study. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 5, No: 0

4.D. Consider enacting Ordinance 2144: An ordinance authorizing and directing the issuance of sanitary sewer revenue refunding bonds.

First National Capital Markets spoke about their background and what they do. Interest rates are predicted to rise mid-late this year and for that reason, it is a great time to do the refinancing.

Introduce Ordinance 2144 and move that the statutory rule requiring readings on three

separate days be suspended. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Kyle Frans. Kyle Frans: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye Aye: 5, No: 0

Approve enacting Ordinance 2144: An ordinance authorizing and directing the issuance of sanitary sewer revenue refunding bonds. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Dan Papik.

Kyle Frans: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye Aye: 5, No: 0

5. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concerns

6. Officers' Reports

-Public Works Director Brian Stork reported that the Public Works Department is looking at purchasing new radios that will allow them to communicate with all departments.

-City Administrator Tom Ourada reported that there is an additional sales tax refund request.

-Mayor Dave Bauer thanked City employees for working together last year and encouraged them for the future.

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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