

CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

January 19, 2021

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

Mayor Dave Bauer called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

2. Roll Call

Brian Carnes: Present
Kyle Frans: Present
Ryan Hinz: Present
Jack Oelschlager: Present
Travis Sears: Present
Dale Strehle: Present

Present: 6.

3. Consent Agenda

Move Consent Agenda item 3D to Items of Business. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

Approve the Consent Agenda items. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

3.A. Approve Meeting Minutes

3.A.1. Public Safety meeting minutes of January 5, 2021.

3.A.2. Legislative and Economic Development meeting minutes of January 5, 2021.

3.A.3. City Council meeting minutes of January 5, 2021.

3.B. Accept the City Treasurer's Report

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

3.D. Confirm Mayor's appointment of Anthony Fitzgerald to the Planning Commission to succeed Ron Schroeder with term ending April 2024.

3.E. Add new firefighters to the insurance rolls.

Approve adding the identified new firefighters to the City's insurance rolls. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Dale Strehle.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4. Items of Business

4.A. Consider renewing employee health and dental insurance plans.

Approve renewing the proposed BF18 and BF58 employee health insurance plans and eliminating the BF55 plan. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

Approve renewing the employee dental insurance plan. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.B. Consider accepting the Keno audit report for fiscal year ending 09-30-2020.

Accept the Keno audit for fiscal year ending 09.30.2020. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.C. Consider approving the scope of work for the Keno Operator RFP and setting a proposal opening date.

Approve the RFP and set a bid opening date of February 28, 2021* at 10:00am. Carried with a motion by Travis Sears and a second by Kyle Frans.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

*The intended date for the bid opening was Thursday of the week discussed, which is February 25, 2021.

4.D. Consider entering into a contract with the Lincoln Airport Authority to use Lincoln Airport facilities for police department training.

Authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with the Lincoln Airport Authority to use its facilities for police dept. training. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.E. Consider enacting Ordinance 2117: An ordinance relating to the annexation of land along South Boswell Avenue.

Introduce Ordinance 2117 relating to annexation of land along South Boswell Avenue, "Coulter Addition," and approved it for its third reading. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

Adopt Ordinance 2117. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.F. Consider awarding Crete Housing & Development Corporation \$250,000 in LB840 funds for workforce housing matching funds.

Approve Crete Housing & Development Corp. request for \$250,000 of LB840 funds for workforce housing matching funds. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

City Administrator Tom Ourada reported that this is the city's nonprofit arm, registered with the state. This project is intended to create a revolving fund for workforce housing development. A corresponding grant application will be submitted to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. Council Member Ryan Hinz asked how the city would maintain accountability, how the Council would access to the information that it is operating as it should, and what checks and balances will be

implemented. Ourada stated that the board is governed by the bylaws, and while the council and mayor can't be on the board because they vote on matters this company may participate in, such as LB840 projects, City staff serving as board members would still be accountable to the mayor and council. Additionally, LB840 money is governed by a process approved by the council and DED money can't be used for anything other than what its approved for. The corporation's accounts will be audited to ensure accountability; expenditures won't go to the council for approval, but reports will go to the council.

4.G. Consider participating in the MEAN solar farm RFP.

Approve participation in the MEAN solar farm RFP. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.H. Consider enacting Ordinance 2119: An ordinance relating to signs and outdoor advertising businesses.

Introduce Ordinance 2119 relating to signs and outdoor advertising businesses and waive the statutory requirement of reading on three different days. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

Adopt Ordinance 2119. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.I. Consider vacating the subdivision plat for Cardinal Lane Commercial 2nd Addition.

Approve vacating the subdivision plat for Cardinal Lane Commercial 2nd Addition. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.J. First reading on Ordinance 2120: An ordinance relating to the annexation of the Crete Municipal Airport.

Introduce Ordinance 2120 relating to annexation of the Crete Municipal Airport and approve it for its First Reading. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

5. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concerns

6. Officers' Reports

City Administrator Tom Ourada reported that the CAIDC's interesting in contributing \$10,000 towards new downtown Christmas lights. He reported that Doane is interested in creating a job shadowing program with multiple positions with the city, the comprehensive plan RFP is nearly ready for publication, and further described the new permit regulations.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm.

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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