

**CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**January 7, 2020**

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**

The City Council has posted a copy of the Open Meetings Act in the back of the council chambers and has additional copies available to read. Assisted listening devices are also available. If needed, please advise.

The City Council may consider items listed on the agenda in random order.

Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Present: 6.

Mayor Dave Bauer called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**2. Roll Call**

Attendance of Council members will be recorded to determine the presence of a quorum for official actions.

**3. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concern**

No action can be taken by the council on matters presented under this title except to answer any question posed and/or to refer the matter for further action. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes per person. Please do not repeat testimony that has already be heard.

Greg Hollman with the Eagles Club commented on the upcoming Keno contract discussion. Mary Moser, Hallam resident and Crete business owner commented in opposition to demolishing the old library building and requested a copy of the cost estimates for renovation.

**4. Special Order of Business**

The council may take action to hear testimony in favor of or in opposition to, discuss/limit discussion and take action to approve or disapprove any matter presented under this title.

4.A. Review and consider approving the Fire Department officers.  
Chief - Tod Allen; Asst. Chief - James Yost; Fire Capt - Harrison Gaman  
Fire 1st Lt - Brandon Smedjir; Fire 2nd Lt - Stephanie Yost  
Rescue Capt - Colin Gaman; Rescue 1st Lt - Terry Petracek  
Rescue 2nd Lt - Nikki Wells; Transfer Admin - Brandon Smedjir  
President - Stephanie Yost; Vice Pres - Matt Bakker  
Secretary - Amber Madigan; Treasurer - Courtney Marcelino

Approve the elected Fire Department officers. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager 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. Review and consider approving the addition of new volunteer firefighters (Reagan Petersen, Kayle Byrd, and Brylee Lauby) to the insurance rolls.

Approve the addition of new volunteer firefighters to the insurance rolls. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager 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.C. Review and consider authorizing the Mayor to agree to the Southeast Nebraska Human Trafficking Task Force Memorandum of Understanding.

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Southeast Nebraska Human Trafficking Task Force Memorandum of Understanding. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager 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

4.D. Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Dee Drake to the Civilian Employee Retirement Committee for a term ending 12/01/2022.

Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Dee Drake to the Civilian Employee Retirement Committee for term ending 12/01/22. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager 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.E. Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Dr. Wayne Reynold to the Crete Civil Service Commission for a term ending 05/01/2024.

Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Dr. Wayne Reynold to the Crete Civil Service Commission for term ending 05/01/2024. Carried with a motion by Brian Carnes and a second by Jack Oelschlager.

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

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.F. Review and discuss AMGL's audit of Crete's Keno Lottery for the fiscal year ending 09/30/2019.

Accept the Crete Keno Lottery audit for FY ending 09/30/2019. 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.G. Consider the early closing of City Hall on January 24, 2020 to enable City staff to attend the Mayor's holiday dinner.

Approve early closing of City Hall on 01/24/2020 for the Mayor's Holiday dinner. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle 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

4.H. Consider authorizing the Library's Honorary Relay Event and providing Police Department assistance at street crossings.

No action taken. The action was approved by general consensus.

4.I. Mayor's Proclamation of Honorary Library Relay Event

Proclaim January 13, 2020 at 2:00pm as the Library Relay Event. 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.J. Consider Harold K. Scholz Co. final payment application for Braden Substation improvements

Approve Harold Scholz Co final payment for \$189,110.91 Braden Substation improvements. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle 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

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

Aye: 6, No: 0

## 5. Resolutions & Ordinances

The Council may take action to hear testimony in favor of or opposition to, discuss/limit discussion and take action to approve or disapprove any matter presented under this title. The Council may take action to waive the

statutory rule requiring reading on three separate dates on any ordinance being considered. The Council may take action to pass and approve any matter presented under this title.

#### 5.A. Ordinance 2098: An Ordinance to Amend the Fire Regulations to Allow Limited Open Burning.

Waive the statutory requirement of reading on three separate days. Carried with a motion by Brian Carnes 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

Adopt Ordinance 2098 amending City Codes 7-201, 7-203, and 7-301 Fire Regulations. Carried with a motion by Brian Carnes 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

#### 6. Officers' Reports

Reports may be given by Department Heads, Committees and Council members concerning current operations of the City. Questions may be asked and answered. No action can be taken by the Council on matters presented under this title except to answer any question posed and to refer the matter for further action.

Community Services Director Nancy Tellez reported that planning for the world cup event has begun. Chief Hensel reported that there is a vacancy in the Police Department and will begin the hiring process. Tom Ourada reported that the Fairfield will be conducting community tours of the new hotel. He also reported that the new GIS Coordinator will begin after graduation.

#### 7. Consent Agenda

Council will consider approval of the following items. Explanation may occur for each item and the council may approve and or amend and approve the items listed.

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

#### 7.A. City Council Meeting Minutes

##### 7.A.1. City Council Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2019

#### 7.B. City Council Committee Meeting Minutes

##### 7.B.1. Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2019

7.B.2. Legislative Development Committee Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2019

7.C. City Treasurer's Report

7.D. Claims Against the City

#### 8. Adjournment

The city council will review the above matters and take such actions as they deem appropriate. The city council may enter into closed session to discuss any matter on this agenda when it is determined by the council that it is clearly necessary for protection of the public interest or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual and if such and individual has not requested a public meeting, or as otherwise allowed by law. Any closed session shall be limited to the subject matter for which the closed session was called. If the motion to close passes, then the presiding officer immediately prior to the closed session shall restate on the record the limitation of the subject matter of the closed session. The City of Crete assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, disability, handicap or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of the City receiving Federal financial assistance. To report discrimination, contact the City Clerk's office. The complete agenda with attachments is available at [www.crete.ne.gov](http://www.crete.ne.gov).

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34pm.

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk

I, Judi Meyer, 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.

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City Clerk

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