

**CITY OF CREIGHTON, NEBRASKA**  
**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday, August 10, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Creighton, Nebraska was held in the meeting room of the Creighton City Offices at 809 Main Street in said City on the 10th day of August, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. Present were: Mayor Chris Patrick and council members MaryAnne Block, Bob Jensen, Drew Nelson, Mike Nutting; Administer/Clerk/ Treasurer (ACT) Lindsay Nelson; Deputy Clerk Ronda York; City Attorney Joe McNally; Economic Development (ED) Director Kylee Wilmes; Water Commissioner Kevin Sonnichsen; City Utility Worker Mark Moser, and Police Chief Mark Duncan.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in at least three public places, as shown by the certificate of posting notice attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was given to all members of the City Council, and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Mayor was given notice before the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Patrick at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Patrick presided, and Deputy Clerk York recorded the proceedings.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Mayor Patrick publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated that a Nebraska Open Meetings Act poster was on display on the west wall of the meeting room.

Mayor Patrick asked if there were any public comments on items not on the agenda. Gene Henes brought up the easements in the Wewel Addition. A long discussion was held regarding what needs to be done, and information that needs brought to council to get easements removed. Many questions were asked and answered.

Mayor Patrick asked if any boards had reports.

Fire Chief Sonnichsen gave the fire department report. Sonnichsen advised they went on two calls.

Jane Wilmes gave the Creighton Ambulance report. Wilmes advised that the ambulance had 18 calls in July. Wilmes updated a grant received for a hydraulic cot.

ED Director Kylee Wilmes gave an ED report. Wilmes advised everyone should start seeing DTR projects getting started. She has also been in contact with NDOR regarding the DTR projects.

Virgina Buerman gave a Keep Creighton Beautiful (KCB) report. Buerman advised that long time KCB member Carmen Frankenstein has passed away. Buerman also gave updates on flower pots and flowers on main street.

Jan Jorgensen gave a Tree Board report. Jorgensen advised Steve Mattern is willing to fill the opening on the Tree Board.

Jan Jorgensen also updated everyone on the recycling center. It will start up this fall. She is overseeing for the area. But Creighton needs a local point person to oversee the local building and volunteers.

Water Commissioner Kevin Sonnichsen advised the final cleaning for the water plant filters is scheduled for August 21. Everything running good at the plant. Sonnichsen also advised that the sewer lines lining is complete. He advised the company must grout to seal all lines then everything will be completed. He also advised that streets signs are going up. The north side of main is almost all done.

No other boards present to give a report.

ACT Nelson advised all minutes presented can be approved with one motion.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2017 Regular Meeting, and August 9, 2017 Special Meeting. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nutting. Absent: Nelson. Nays: None.

Nutting made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve additional bills paid since July 13, 2017. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nutting. Absent: Nelson. Nays: None.

Questions were asked and answered regarding bills.

Block made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve August 2017 bills. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nutting. Absent: Nelson. Nays: None.

Block made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve all expenditures for July 2017. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve receipts for July 2017. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Block to approve CHA Board Appointment Dorothy Renter and KCB Board Appointment Tom Gragert. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Mayor Patrick advised we would move the acceptance of Council President MaryAnne Block to the end of the meeting.

McNally explained the agreements between City of Creighton and Miller and Associates for General Administrator of Housing Reuse Program and between City of Creighton and CDS Inspections for Housing Administrator and Lead Based Paint Specialist of Housing Reuse Program. Question were asked and answered.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve an agreement between City of Creighton and Miller and Associates for General Administrator of Housing Reuse Program. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Block to approve an agreement between City of Creighton and CDS Inspections for Housing Administrator and Lead Based Paint Specialist of Housing Reuse Program. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Discussion was held on a bill the city received from Adams Electric for work that was done on the baseball and softball fields. The park board recommended the city pay the bill as represented.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve Adams Electric Bill for \$796.94. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nutting. Nays: Nelson.

Discussion was held on 2017-2018 budget. Questions were asked and answered.

No action taken on moving \$15,000 from ambulance fund to CD. Jane Wilmes advised the money was going to be needed to update communications. Questions were asked and answered.

Police Chief Mark Duncan gave a Creighton Police Report.

Mayor Patrick advised they will be going into executive session to set wages.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nutting to go into executive session with all council members and McNally at 7:24 p.m. to set wages. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Council and McNally came out of executive session at 7:50 p.m.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Block to give a 3.5% raise to all city employees. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Mayor Patrick gave a report.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nelson to accept Council President MaryAnne Blocks resignation. RCV; Ayes: Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Abstained: Block. Nays: None.

MaryAnne was thanked for her service.

There will be a Special Meeting Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. The Special Meeting will be to appoint a Council President and a new Council Member.

All business complete, Nutting made a motion to adjourn. Jensen seconded the motion. All present in favor. Council adjourned at 7:58 p.m. Meeting of this date was held pursuant to published notice in the Creighton News, Creighton, Nebraska. The next regular meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2017 in the meeting room of the Creighton City Offices at 809 Main Street, Creighton, Nebraska at 6:30 p.m.

  
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