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**CITY OF CREIGHTON, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, February 9, 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 9th day of February, 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; Police Chief Mark Duncan, Police Officer Tiffany McLean; Water Commissioner Kevin Sonnichsen; Sewer Commissioner Alan Novacek, Library Director Lisa Macke, and City Attorney Joe McNally.

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. None were brought up.

Mayor Patrick asked if any boards had reports.

Jim Javorsky was present to represent the Keep Creighton Beautiful Board (KCB). Javorsky advised KCB had their meeting February 3, 2017. The members voted and it was decided to drop their affiliation with Keep America Beautiful (KAB) as they do not wish to keep up on the amount of paperwork to stay members. Two new members, Doug and Milana Joseph, have been found for the KCB Board. This will bring them to a full board.

The Library Report and Park Board report will wait until their agenda items.

No other boards present to give a report.

Novacek gave sewer and water report. Novacek advised Midland's have been here cameraing the sewer lines. They had a few problems due to the cold weather. They will be continuing in the next couple weeks. The water system is running smooth.

Library Director Lisa Macke gave the annual Library Report. Macke advised there are 1215 library cards. The activities hosted at the library for children have been well attended. The Library has a 4-Star rating. The Creighton Paper is digitized and can be accessed online. Macke also explained the Library Meeting Room can be rented for a donation for non-profit functions and a \$25 fee for money making functions. There was a short discussion and Macke was thanked for her job.

Mayor Patrick then skipped to # 19 on the agenda as Library Board Members were in attendance. Library Board Members explained they are very happy with the work Macke is doing. At their last meeting, they voted to give Macke a \$.50 per hour raise at her first six-month review. It was explained the raise had been put in the budget in September. There was a short discussion.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Block to approve Library Director Lisa Macke to receive a \$.50 per hour raise for her 6-month review. Macke's wage will go to \$11.50 per hour. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Kevin Sonnichsen gave the Creighton Fire Report. Sonnichsen advised fire department handled zero calls this month. He also explained they are in the process of purchasing ice gear so they will be equipped to do ice rescues.

Jane Wilmes gave the Creighton Ambulance Report. Wilmes advised 10 calls were handled. She also explained squad will be getting new uniforms that are blue with reflectors and blood barrier to use when handling calls.

Mayor Patrick then skipped to # 18 on the agenda as Wilmes is present.

There was a short discussion reference Shelly Carstens and Tammy Reicks being approved at Certified Designated Administrator for the ambulance squad. Wilmes and McNally explained it was needed so squad members could get tax credits because of Legislation Bill 886. Questions were asked and answered. The Creighton Fire Department will be obtaining the income tax credit thru the Rural Fire Board.

Nutting made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve Shelly Carstens and Tammy Reicks as being approved at Certified Designated Administrator for the ambulance squad. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve active Creighton EMT's to be eligible for 2016 income tax credit. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Block to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2017 Regular Meeting. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Nutting made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve additional bills paid since January 12, 2017. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

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

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

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

ACT Nelson turned the meeting over to Todd Zimmerer, Park Board President. Zimmerer presented the Park Boards recommendations for 2017 Pool Staff. Sonya Simons for pool manager. Ean Stacken, has operator's permit, as assistant manager. Chasity Wilmes will need to obtain her operator's permit, as assistant manager. They also have nine regular life guards. This makes the total of 12 pool hires. This is the same number as last year. A short discussion was held.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve hire of pool staff as presented. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Skipped to # 27 on the agenda. A discussion was held reference 2017 pool wages.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nelson to approve 2017 pool wages to remain the same as 2016 wages. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Mayor Patrick explained the SDL application St. Ludger Church/ School at St Ludger Social Hall March 18, 2017. A discussion was held.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Nutting to approve St. Ludger Church/ School SDL for March 18, 2017. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Mayor Patrick read a letter from KAB regarding a letter they had received from Lucille Clough. A discussion was held. Members of the KCB Board explained they had decided by a motion to not continue affiliation with KAB.

ACT Nelson explained that another line could be added to our current accounting system to track DTR Funds. This makes tracking money easier. The auditors advised this is better than another checking account.

Mayor Patrick opened three sealed bids that had been received for the MAX PAK Vertical baler. One for \$100, one for \$251, and one for \$3,000 that would be paid at \$500 every six months until paid off or trade for property bidder owns in town for the baler. A discussion was held.

Nutting made a motion seconded by Jensen to accept the bid for \$3,000 with the first payment of \$500 and a signed contract for the remaining five payments. The contract and \$500 first payment shall be received within 7 days. If this falls through, then the bid for \$251 will be accepted. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None

ACT Nelson explained that the Downtown Revitalization Façade Improvement application is still being reviewed by McNally. A discussion was held.

Block made a motion seconded by Jensen to table the Downtown Revitalization Façade Improvement application. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Discussion was held on the Economic Development Board's recommendation of ED job description. Many questions were asked and answered.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve Economic Development Boards recommendation of ED job description. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

A long discussion was held on Economic Development Board's recommendation of ED Board Bylaws. Questions were asked and answered.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve Economic Development Board's recommendation of ED Board Bylaws. RCV; Ayes: Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: Block. Motion passes.

Discussed Creighton 59 LLC adding indoor space to their liquor license. Sonnichsen explain what is being added. ACT Nelson further explained this was a requirement for the liquor license.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Block to approve Creighton 59 LLC adding indoor space to their liquor license. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

ACT Nelson and York explained the current late water bill process and the problems that have been created. There was a long discussion. We will handle the late bills as written in the code book starting with March 1, 2017 bill. Bills go the first of the bi-monthly billing months and is due the 30th of the month they go out. Bills are deemed delinquent if not paid by the 30th of the month in which they are due and shall be assessed a late fee. A late letter will go out on the 1st of the month after the bill is delinquent. If a payment is not received as least 7 days, excluding weekends, and holiday by 1 p.m. a disconnection of services will be made. This will be the final notice. We will no longer be putting hang tags on doors. If a disconnect is made, reconnection can be made only during regular working hours. A reconnecting charge of \$25.00 will be applied upon reconnect.

Discussed having Mark Moser getting a pool manager certification. Sonnichsen explained why is necessary.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nelson to approve Mark Moser to get his pool manager certification. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson. Nays: Nutting. Motion carries.

McNally read Ordinance 795 ACCEPTING THE PLAT AND DEDICATION OF LOT 1, WEWEL'S LOT SPLIT, A DIVISION OF LOT 11, CARLIN'S THIRD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CREIGHTON, KNOX COUNTY by title. He explained this is just another step in

cleaning up the Wewel addition lot splits. Questions were asked and answered.

Block made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve waive the three readings of Ordinance 795. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

Block made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve final passage of Ordinance 795. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

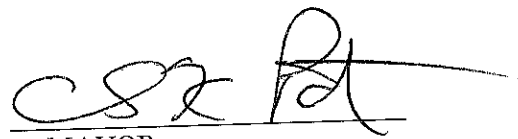
Mayor Patrick read a letter from Duncan regarding quotes and the possible purchase of a new police department vehicle. Bid is from Jonny Dodge of Neligh for a 2017 Dodge Durango AWD for \$25,923 without trade and a trade-in credit for Chevy Tahoe of \$7,500. A discussion was held.

Nutting made a motion seconded by Block to accept quote for new police department vehicle as presented by Chief Duncan with trading in Chevy Tahoe. RCV; Ayes: Block, Jensen, Nelson, Nutting. Nays: None.

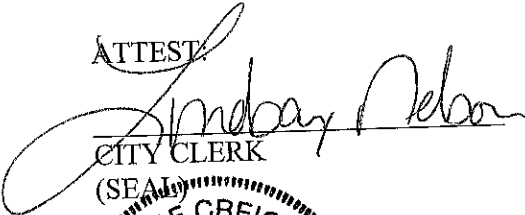
Police Chief Mark Duncan gave a Creighton Police Report.

ACT Lindsay Nelson gave an Administrator Report.

All business complete, Block made a motion to adjourn. Nutting seconded the motion. All present in favor. Council adjourned at 8:29 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, March 9, 2017 in the meeting room of the Creighton City Offices at 809 Main Street, Creighton, Nebraska at 6:30 p.m.


MAYOR

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