CITY OF CREIGHTON, NEBRASKA  
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING  
Thursday, November 14, 2019

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 14th day of November, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. Present were: Mayor Steve Morrill and Council Members Bob Jensen, Drew Nelson, Mark Ripp, Brandi Dimmitt; Administrator/Clerk/ Treasurer (ACT) Lindsay Nelson; Deputy Clerk Ronda York; Water Commissioner Kevin Sonnichsen; City Attorney Joe McNally; Economic Development (ED) Director Susan Norris and Police Officer Tiffany McLean.

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 Morrill at 6:30 p.m. Morrill presided, and Deputy Clerk York recorded the proceedings.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Morrill 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.

Morrill explained two people submitted their name for the Council Member opening. After review he has decided to recommend Brandi Dimmitt for the opening. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Ripp to approve Mayor Morrill’s recommendation of Brandi Dimmitt as new Council Member. RCV; 3 Ayes.

McNally appointed new Councilman Brandi Dimmitt. Dimmitt read the oath of office.

Dimmitt took her place at the Council Table.

Morrill advised it was time to elect a City Council President. He asked for nominations. Jensen nominated Ripp seconded by Nelson. There were no more nominations.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nelson to appoint Ripp as Council President. RCV; All Ayes.

Morrill asked if there were any public comments on items not on the agenda. Mike Nutting questioned about why the new employee handbook was not completed yet as it has been paid for. McNally advised the new employee handbook is in the process of being worked on. McNally also
explained the work on the employee handbook has not been paid for at this time. Joan Sonnichsen asked about Bazile Avenue north of Garfield being one lane due to vehicles being parked on both sides of the street. Questions were asked and answered.

Morrill asked if any boards had reports.

Board reports were given.

Ripp made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting October 4, 2019. RCV; All Ayes.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Ripp to approve November 2019 Treasurer Report. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp abstained from his business payment and Aye on the rest of bills.

ACT Nelson explained Resolution 2019-10 reference garbage fees. ACT Nelson explained that the new fees will take effect as of November 1, 2019 due to the new contract signed at October 10, 2019 meeting. Residents will not see the change until the January 1, 2020 utility bill. Questions were asked and answered.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Ripp to approve Resolution 2019-10 Garbage Fees. RCV; All Ayes.

ACT Nelson explained Resolution 2019-11 signing of the Year End Certification of the City Street Superintendent Form 2019 will be table until December 12, 2019 Council Meeting. So, it coincides with the appointment of the City Street Superintendent for 2020.

ACT Nelson explained about a water leak at 502 Chase due to a broken water line. There is no drain in the basement so the water did not go down the city sewer. The owner was wondering if the in November utility bill he will pay the water used, but would like to use his previous sewer average on the sewer charge. His rate was not set in March he is currently on a revolving average. The leak caused the charge to go up with water usage. The water is off at the house at this time. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Dimmitt to set sewer for 502 Chase as the average prior to the leak. RCV; All Ayes.

ACT Nelson explained since the water usage was high due to the leak the owner of 502 Chase would like to make a $300 payment every month until the bill is paid. The bill will be paid off by December 2020 or before. The resident would also like to have the late fee waived as the bill will not be paid by November 30, 2019. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Dimmitt to allow resident at 502 Chase to make a monthly payment for the utility bill as explained above and waive the late fees. RCV; All Ayes.

ACT Nelson explained a SDL’s from St Ludgers Church. Questions were asked and answered.
Ripp made a motion seconded by Nelson approve a request for Special SDL St. Ludger Church/ School at St Ludger Social Hall for March 7, 2020. RCV; All Ayes.

McNally explained the LB840 Resolution 2019-12 needs to be tabled until December 12, 2019 meeting because a public hearing needs to be held prior to passing the LB840 Resolution. Questions were asked and answered.

ACT Nelson explained the 2019 Drainage Improvements to combine two drainage projects; one on Redick and one on Washington and advertise for a bid for the December 12, 2019 meeting. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Dimmitt to advertise for two drainage projects; one on Redick and one on Washington, with bids due for December 12, 2019 council meeting. RCV; All Ayes.

Officer McLean advised Chief Duncan will give a Creighton Police Report in council’s bins when he gets back from vacation.

ACT Nelson gave an Administrator Report.

Council Members did not have a report.

Mayor Morrill gave a report.

All business complete, Dimmitt made a motion to adjourn, Jensen seconded the motion. All present in favor. Council adjourned at 7:23 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, December 12, 2019 in the meeting room of the Creighton City Offices at 809 Main Street, Creighton, Nebraska at 6:30 p.m.

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Mayor