

**CITY OF CREIGHTON, NEBRASKA  
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING  
Thursday, September 12, 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 12th day of September, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. Present were: Mayor Chris Patrick and Council Members Bob Jensen, Steve Morrill, Drew Nelson; Administrator/Clerk/ Treasurer (ACT) Lindsay Nelson; Deputy Clerk Ronda York; Water Commissioner Kevin Sonnichsen; Library Director Lisa Macke; City Attorney Joe McNally; Economic Development (ED) Director Susan Norris; Utility Work Mark Moser, and Police Chief Mark Duncan. Absent: Council Member Mark Ripp.

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. Council President Morrill 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 turned the meeting over to City Attorney Joe McNally. McNally explained to all in attendance that the public will not disrupt the meeting by talking between each other or use vulgar language. McNally explained if people disrupt the meeting, they will be escorted out of the meeting.

Mayor Patrick asked if there were any public comments on items not on the agenda. Diane Darrow advised she had questions on the budget. Mayor Patrick explained those question are to be asked once the budget hearing starts. Darrow then complained about the city's website. It was explained that the website is not user friendly and the city will be looking into possible changes. Questions were asked and answered.

Brandi Dimmit asked questions on all the digging in residents' yards. It was explained that Great Plains is doing the digging in the right-of-way and will be putting everything back to the way it was when they are done. Questions were asked and answered.

Mayor Patrick asked if any boards had reports.

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Board reports were given.

Mayor Patrick opened the Budget and Tax Request Hearing at 6:59 p.m. The hearing will remain open until later in the meeting. If anyone has any questions, now is the time to ask. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Morrill to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting August 8, 2019 and Special Meeting Aug 21, 2019 meeting minutes. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve September 2019 Treasurer Report. RCV; 2 Ayes. Morrill abstained from their business payments and Ayes on the rest of bills. Ripp absent.

ACT Nelson updated everyone reference the structure at 706 Main Street. Questions were asked and answered.

Discussion was held on inter-local agreement with Winnetoon and Creighton PD. Meeting was turned over to McNally who explained what the agreement would consist of. Questions were asked and answered.

Nelson made a motion seconded by Morrill to approve inter-local agreement with Winnetoon and Creighton PD as presented. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Kathy Kathol with NPPD explained the franchise agreement between the city and NPPD. McNally read Ordinance #803 by title. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Nelson to waive the three readings of Ordinance # 803. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Morrill made a motion seconded by Jensen to approve Ordinance # 803. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Mayor Patrick read Resolution 2019-6 aloud. It was explained this is from the State of Nebraska to go with the 1 & 6 year plan. Questions were asked and answered.

Jensen made a motion seconded by Morrill to approve Resolution 2019-6. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Discussion was held on waste collection and disposal contract with Key Sanitation. McNally explained Key's would need to supply a new contract. Questions were asked and answered. McNally advised it will be tabled until the October meeting to give Key's time to supply a new contract to the city.

Mayor Patrick advised setting personnel wages until the end of the meeting.

Mayor Patrick closed the Budget and Tax Request Hearing at 7:26 p.m.

Motion by Nelson seconded by Jensen to approve the 2019-2020 Budget as printed in the September

4<sup>th</sup> edition of the Knox County News and provided during the budget hearing. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Discussion was held on the increase the total restricted funds authority by an additional 1%. Question were asked and answered.

Motion made by Jensen seconded by Morrill to increase the total restricted funds authority by an additional 1%. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Mayor Patrick read Resolution 2019-7 to set the tax request for the 2019-2020 fiscal year aloud. Question were asked and answered.

Motion made by Morrill seconded by Jensen to approve Resolution 2019-7 to set the tax request for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

ACT Nelson explained Special Designated License for Big Red Bottle Shop Oct. 27, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Questions were asked and answered.

Motion made by Jensen seconded by Morrill to approve Special Designated License for Big Red Bottle Shop Oct. 27, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.. RCV; 2 Ayes. Nelson abstained. Ripp absent.

The meeting was turned over to Susan Norris to explain the proposed LB840 Plan. Questions were asked and answered.

Motion made by Morrill seconded by Nelson to move forward with the proposed LB840 Plan as presented. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Discussed the need for another street light on Cherry Street by 404 Cherry Street. Questions were asked and answered.

Motion made by Morrill seconded by Jensen to ask NPPD place a new street light by 404 Cherry Street. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Chief Duncan gave a Creighton Police Report.

Mayor Patrick advised council would be going back to discuss personnel commission to set staff wages.

Motion made by Nelson seconded by Jensen to go into executive session to discuss staff wages. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

Mayor Patrick, Bob Jensen, Steve Morrill, Drew Nelson, and McNally went into executive session at 7:43 p.m.

Mayor Patrick, Bob Jensen, Steve Morrill, Drew Nelson, and McNally came out of executive session at 7:52 p.m.

Motion made by Morrill seconded by Nelson to give city employees a 4% wage increase. RCV; 3 Ayes. Ripp absent.

ACT Nelson gave an Administrator Report.

Council Member Jensen thanked city staff for all work done with FEMA.

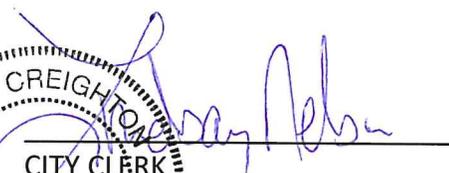
Mayor Patrick gave a report

All business complete, Morrill made a motion to adjourn, Jensen seconded the motion. All present in favor. Council adjourned at 8:00 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, October 10, 2019 in the meeting room of the Creighton City Offices at 809 Main Street, Creighton, Nebraska at 6:30 p.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:



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