

## **CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, NEBRASKA**

### **I. ROUTINE BUSINESS**

The City Council of the City of Bridgeport, NE, met in regular session at Prairie Winds Community Center, 428 Main Street, Bridgeport, NE, on the 8th day of April 2021, beginning at 7:39 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, Mayor Charlie Browne called the meeting to order. Roll call resulted as follows: Present: Jason Floyd, Mark Wickard, Will Deines; Absent: Dean Rahmig

Staff members present were: Larry Heinrich, Jamie Hoxworth, Charlee Wallesen

Mayor Browne presided, and City Clerk Huck recorded the proceedings.

Mayor Browne announced, "In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the open meetings act is posted at the back of the meeting room for the review of the public."

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Bridgeport News-Blade on April 7th, the designated method of notice given, as shown by proof of publication, as shown by attached affidavit of posting and posting in the three designated areas, USPS, City Office and Pwcc.

Notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and by email notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

The Mayor asked if there were any letters of public correspondence for the board. There were none.

The Mayor asked if there were any visitors that would like to speak on an item that is not on the agenda. There were none.

### **II. CONSENT AGENDA**

6. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 18, 2021.
7. Approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held March 25, 2021
8. Acceptance of the Monthly Treasurers Report.

Council Member Floyd moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Floyd, Deines, Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried.

### **III. CLAIMS**

9. Council Member Rahmig was absent so no conflict of claim with Colonial Life Insurance.

10. Council Member Wickard stated that he has a conflict with Wickard Plumbing & Heating; Council Member Wickard then excused himself. Council Member Deines moved to approve the claim, seconded by Council Member Floyd. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Floyd, Deines; Not Voting, Excused: Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Wickard rejoined the Council.

11. Council Member Deines moved to approve the remainder of claims, seconded by Council Member Floyd. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Floyd, Deines, Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried.

**Light & Power:** Allo Communications LLC, \$164.25; American Funds Service Company, \$589.06; American Test Center Inc, \$1,420.00; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$21.96; Barco Municipal Products Inc, \$197.38; Michael Beyer, \$40.00; Michael Bilby, \$73.77; Black Hills Energy, \$69.68; BCBS of NE, \$2,069.00; Bomgaars, \$149.98; City Of Bridgeport, \$467.35; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$27.22; Connie Dudden, \$98.39; Dutton Lainson Company, \$1,204.80; E & S Inc, \$71.92; Federal, \$814.01; Fica, \$1,003.70; General Treasury, \$30,000.00; Health Savings Account, \$208.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$59.99; Medicare, \$234.72; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$328.33; Nebraska Municipal Power Pool, \$1,072.55; Platte Valley Bank, \$10,990.61; Platte Valley Visa, \$1,546.52; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$50.85; Quadient Leasing USA Inc, \$59.99; Railroad Management Co III, LLC, \$1,973.69; Sun Life Financial, \$49.33; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$172.52; Total Light & Power, \$55,229.57; Salaries, \$5,954.21

**Water:** Aflac, \$213.48; Allo Communications LLC, \$35.45; American Funds Service Company, \$786.13; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$21.96; BCBS of NE, \$1,741.98; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,541.47; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$134.96; Enviro Service Inc, \$40.00; Federal, \$539.05; Fica, \$791.02; Hawkins Inc, \$2,085.28; Health Savings Account, \$416.00; Jamie Rae Hoxworth, \$40.00; Doretta J Huck, \$40.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$29.99; Medicare, \$184.98; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$248.27; Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab, \$1,393.00; One Call Concepts Inc, \$21.13; Platte Valley Bank, \$12.07; Platte Valley Visa, \$55.23; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$382.34; Quadient Leasing USA Inc, \$59.99; Sonnys Super Foods, \$155.89; Sun Life Financial, \$42.28; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$283.30; Total Water, \$11,295.25; Salaries, \$4,653.93

**Sewer:** Aflac, \$28.56; American Funds Service Company, \$323.14; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$16.34; Black Hills Energy, \$32.42; BCBS of NE, \$904.15; Chimney Rock Public Power District, \$80.18; City Of Bridgeport, \$380.00; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$27.22; Federal, \$223.34; Fica, \$347.16; General Treasury, \$7,000.00; Health Savings Account, \$208.00; Medicare, \$81.20; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$96.83; Panhandle Cooperative Assn, \$20.00; Quadient Leasing USA Inc, \$59.99; Railroad Management Co III, LLC, \$1,002.48; Riverside Lumber LLC, \$560.76; Bryan Schluterbusch, \$40.00; Sun Life Financial, \$20.71; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$95.00; Total Sewer, \$11,547.48; Salaries, \$2,107.67

**General:** American Legal Publishing Corp, \$407.22; Black Hills Energy, \$69.67; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$40.06; CHJR Golf Sinking Fund, \$2,000.00; Community Center, \$21,000.00; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$32.00; Farmers State Bank, \$11,711.17; Fire Fund, \$5,000.00; Greenheart, \$36.00; Library Fund, \$10,800.00; Nebraska Mosquito & Vector Control, \$105.00; Park Fund, \$5,000.00; Platte Valley Bank, \$11,711.17; Platte Valley Visa, \$158.60; Police Fund, \$28,940.00; Pool Fund, \$2,000.00; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$53.04; Quadient Leasing USA Inc, \$59.99; Rodak Law Office, \$1,000.00; Billie Jo Smith, \$280.00; Staples Credit Plan, \$30.29; Street Fund, \$4,000.00; Total General, \$10,4434.21

**Police:** Border States Industries Inc, \$571.92; Flatwater Veterinary Services, \$48.00; Morrill County Sheriff, \$28,937.00; Total Police, \$29,556.92

**Street:** Aflac, \$80.34; American Funds Service Company, \$927.76; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$21.96; Black Hills Energy, \$576.37; BCBS of NE, \$2,314.54; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,938.86; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$135.76; Contractors Materials Inc, \$24.00; E & S Inc, \$108.31; Fastenal Company, \$19.04; Federal, \$734.48; Fica, \$953.62; Health Savings Account, \$418.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$509.56; Lussetto Machine Inc, \$51.38; Medicare, \$223.02; Michael Todd And Co Inc, \$177.76; Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co Inc, \$2,324.00; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$318.90; Perry E Nelson, \$40.00; Sandberg Implement Inc, \$192.56; David Smith, \$40.00; Sun Life Financial, \$48.87; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$673.87; Total Street, \$12,852.96; Salaries, \$5,403.92

**Pwcc:** Allo Communications LLC, \$231.36; American Funds Service Company, \$506.98; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$27.32; Benzel Pest Control Inc, \$137.98; Black Hills Energy, \$1,064.09; BCBS of NE, \$1,168.91; Bluffs Sanitary Supply Inc, \$539.48; Bomgaars, \$63.93; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$110.50; Canteen Refreshment Services, \$28.16; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,103.24; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$130.66; Computer Connection, \$49.00; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$77.00; Federal, \$479.36; Fica, \$1,362.34; Gingerich Structures, \$21,320.00; Health Savings Account, \$416.00; Honeywagon Express LLC, \$140.00; Ideal

Laundry And Cleaners Inc, \$616.69; Independent Plmg & Htg Inc, \$25.73; Daniel L Krentz, \$2,750.00; Medicare, \$318.60; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$275.90; Nebraska Safety & Fire Equip Inc, \$384.00; Platte Valley Bank, \$275.52; Platte Valley Fire Protection Inc, \$1,375.00; Platte Valley Visa, \$2,034.41; Protex Central Inc, \$420.00; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$2.04; Sonnys Super Foods, \$471.71; Sun Life Financial, \$37.96; Town & Country Advertising, \$75.00; Charlee M Wallesen, \$79.45; Wickard Heating & Plumbing Inc, \$159.10; Total Pwcc, \$38,257.42; Salaries, \$9,834.17

**Park:** Bomgaars, \$2.69; City Of Bridgeport, \$199.04; John Deere Financial, \$87.91; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$37.98; Nebraska Public Power District, \$70.81; Renner Sports Surfaces, \$20,822.30; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$72.88; Jim Vassos, \$750.00; Total Park, \$22,043.61

**Pool:** Allo Communications LLC, \$26.34; Black Hills Energy, \$30.81; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$114.00; Fica, \$7.50; Lloyd M Harding, \$155.00; William Hill, \$65.68; Independent Plmg & Htg Inc, \$5.14; Medicare, \$1.76; Tanya Staman, \$28.58; Total Pool, \$434.81

**Library:** Allo Communications LLC, \$72.28; American Funds Service Company, \$313.49; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$10.98; Best Plumbing Heating & Cooling LLC, \$1,642.86; Black Hills Energy, \$110.72; BCBS of NE, \$1,373.94; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$4.32; Cengage Learning, \$39.73; Center Point Large Print, \$131.82; Century Business Products Inc, \$11.36; City Of Bridgeport, \$391.08; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$92.12; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$23.50; Federal, \$279.70; Fica, \$629.12; Friends Of Library, \$1,000.00; Health Savings Account, \$208.00; Medicare, \$147.14; Micromarketing LLC, \$348.38; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$151.02; Platte Valley Visa, \$748.31; Publishers Prime, \$225.39; Billie Jo Smith, \$400.00; Sonnys Super Foods, \$55.77; Sun Life Financial, \$21.01; Total Library, \$8,432.04; Salaries, \$4,410.27

**Landfill:** General Treasury, \$1,875.00; Quadient Leasing USA Inc, \$59.98; Waste Connections Of Ne Inc, \$19,047.17; Total Landfill, \$20,982.15

**Fire:** Black Hills Energy, \$166.07; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,056.04; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$275.88; Federal, \$75.76; Fica, \$85.84; Medicare, \$20.08; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, \$65.64; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$11.73; Staples Credit Plan, \$1,452.93; Total Fire, \$3,209.97; Salaries, \$497.94

#### **IV. ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

None

#### **V. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

#### **VI. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

#### **VII. REGULAR AGENDA**

15. Emergency Items – None

16. Council Member Floyd made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment of Council Member Wickard to the Tree Board, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Floyd, Deines; Nay: None. Motion carried.

17. Andrew Plummer discussed the EMC Insurance Municipality Dividend Program and stated the overall program comprised of municipalities and other groups was up 21% of the overall premiums and as a result the City received a check in the amount of \$29,989.78. The dividend is based on the safety performance of the overall municipality program within EMC. The agency distributed around \$250,000.00 between various groups which included fire departments, municipalities, and any other groups within that program. He appreciated the City's business and keeping local, and this is a way the insurance agency rewards their policyholders.

18. Peter G Lapaseotes addressed the Council with some ideas on tourism and community development projects. He visited with Steven Wood from Sidney, NE who received a grant to help Sidney's downtown district in constructing plaques to put on the front of their buildings with the history of each building and would like to pursue a grant for Bridgeport's historic buildings and do the same. He stated the latest relief package from the federal government, cities are receiving funds and he suggested paying off the water treatment plant to lower rates which in turn would have better lawns. Other suggestions are a small building for a visitor center, a walkway path, and a possible by-pass from main street for semi-trucks. He discussed the purchase of Trail City Supply building by MCCH and the limited parking on Main Street. He stated the owner of the Eagles building will be selling the property and possibly it could be a goodwill deed by MCCH to purchase the building, demolish it, make a parking lot, and donate back to the city.

19. PWD Larry Heinrich discussed the Johnson Service Company Quotation for a three (3) year plan to Clean, Vac, and CCTV Sewer Mains from his predecessor and asked Council if they wanted to proceed. After some discussion, Council stated to budget for the upcoming budget.

## VIII. REPORTS

20. Department Reports:

**Public Works:** Larry Heinrich presented his report; is spring and starting to get busier; the Electrical Lineman Apprentice ad has been posted; the Mayor would like Larry to check into a new generator for the nursing home and bring his recommendation to the next meeting; the one & six dust control has been scheduled for April and May.

**Sheriff:** Absent

**PWCC:** Charlee Wallesen gave the water damage update; she has enough money in the budget to replace the senior room floor to match the kitchen; there is 46K for a new gym floor and asked council for their advice on holding off on the gym floor until next budget year and replacing the cabinets and countertop in the kitchen before they lay the tile; Council stated to get the gym floor done first then budget next year for the kitchen. Will be getting rock for the northside of the storage building; discussed getting measurements for the addition for weights to move to ground level. Has hired the pool manager and 11 lifeguards; will waive day fees but charge for swim lessons. Also discussed the piano in the senior room.

**Administration:** None

## IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

## X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Wickard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Council Member Floyd. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Denies, Wickard, Floyd; Nay: None. Meeting Adjourned.

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Doretta J Huck, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED:

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Charlie Browne, Mayor

I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is the full, true and correct original document of proceedings of Thursday, April 8, 2021, had and done by the Mayor and City Council; that all of the subjects included in the proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting; 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; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings

of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Doretta J. Huck, City Clerk