

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, NEBRASKA

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

The City Council of the City of Bridgeport, Nebraska, met in regular session at Prairie Winds Community Center, 428 Main Street, Bridgeport, Nebraska, on the 13th day of May 2021, beginning at 7:00 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: Dean Rahmig, Will Deines, Mark Wickard; Absent: Jason Floyd.

Staff members present were: Public Works Director Larry Heinrich, PWCC Director Charlee Wallesen, and Deputy Clerk Jamie Hoxworth.

Mayor Browne presided, and Deputy Clerk Hoxworth 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, the designated method of notice given, as shown by proof of publication, as shown by attached affidavit of posting.

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.

Gary Oltmann approached the podium to state the trailer in Oregon Trail Trailer Court had yet to be moved that was supposed to be taken care of in the spring. Mayor Browne said he would contact Tim Alfred to see what his plans are. Oltmann also expressed concerns of the potholes in town and the condition of multiple lawns. Public Works Director Larry Heinrich stated the guys are working on getting the potholes fixed and Mayor Browne will follow up with Sheriff Cardenas about the lawns.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

6. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 8, 2021.
7. Acceptance of the Monthly Treasurers Report.

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

III. CLAIMS

8. Council Member Rahmig stated that he has a conflict with Colonial Life Insurance; Council Member Rahmig then excused himself. Council Member Wickard moved to approve the claim from Colonial Life Ins, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Deines, Wickard; Not Voting, Excused: Rahmig; Nay: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Rahmig rejoined the Council.

9. 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 Rahmig. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Rahmig, Deines; Not Voting, Excused: Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried.

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

Light & Power: Allo Communications LLC, \$163.54; American Funds Service Company, \$633.64; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$21.96; Michael Beyer, \$40.00; BH Energy, \$50.32; BCBS Of Ne, \$2,069.00; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$1.07; City Of Bridgeport, \$899.78; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$27.22; Crescent Electric Supply Company, \$1,005.84; Dutton Lainson Company, \$313.65; Federal, \$907.17; Fica, \$1,058.98; Fremont Motor Scottsbluff LLC, \$1,181.08; General Treasury, \$95,000.00; HSA , \$208.00; Medicare, \$247.64; Municipal Energy Agency Of Ne, \$173,853.19; NE Dept Of Revenue, \$321.28; NE Printworks LLC, \$79.83; Panhandle Collections Inc, \$144.20; Platte Valley Bank, \$10,900.17; Platte Valley Visa, \$323.88; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$393.97; Regional Care Inc, \$16.00; Sun Life Financial, \$49.33; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$385.04; Wesco Distribution Inc, \$1,241.75; Total Light & Power, \$291,537.53; Salaries, \$5,886.47

Water: Aflac, \$213.48; Allo Communications LLC, \$35.63; American Funds Service Company, \$745.28; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$21.96; BCBS Of Ne, \$1,741.98; Bomgaars, \$10.99; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$1.07; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,643.58; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$134.96; Enviro Service Inc, \$20.00; Federal, \$490.97; Fica, \$753.44; HSA , \$416.00; Jamie Rae Hoxworth, \$40.00; Doretta J Huck, \$40.00; Medicare, \$176.18; NE Dept of Revenue, \$227.85; NE Printworks LLC, \$79.83; One Call Concepts Inc, \$12.67; Panhandle Cooperative Assn, \$41.25; Platte Valley Bank, \$54.11; Platte Valley Visa, \$218.50; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$41.26; Regional Care Inc, \$32.00; Spic-Span Cleaners, \$87.92; Sun Life Financial, \$42.28; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$218.49; Total Water, \$7,541.68; Salaries, \$4,448.93

Sewer: Aflac, \$28.56; American Funds Service Company, \$357.99; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$16.34; BH Energy, \$32.29; BCBS Of Ne, \$904.15; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$1.07; Chimney Rock Public Power District, \$76.44; City Of Bridgeport, \$325.11; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$27.22; Contractors Materials Inc, \$139.00; Enviro Service Inc, \$167.00; Federal, \$259.10; Fica, \$386.46; General Treasury, \$7,000.00; HSA , \$208.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$7.12; Medicare, \$90.38; NE Dept Of Revenue, \$98.99; NE Printworks LLC, \$79.83; Panhandle Cooperative Assn, \$41.25; Platte Valley Visa, \$47.89; Pohl's Welding & Fab Inc, \$36.00; Regional Care Inc, \$16.00; Riverside Lumber LLC, \$17.98; Bryan Schluterbusch, \$40.00; Sun Life Financial, \$20.71; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$74.40; Total Sewer, \$10,499.28; Salaries, \$2131.70

General: BH Energy, \$50.32; Bluffs Sanitary Supply Inc, \$29.42; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$392.71; Morrill County School District 63, \$1,600.00; Community Center, \$21,000.00; Court House & Jail Rock Golf Course Inc, \$5,000.00; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$32.00; Fire Fund, \$5,000.00; Lynelle Hoxworth, \$641.83; IIMC, \$200.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$10.67; Library Fund, \$10,800.00; NE Mosquito & Vector Control, \$40.00; Park Fund, \$30,000.00; Platte Valley Visa, \$79.26; Police Fund, \$28,940.00; Pool Fund, \$30,000.00; Quadient Finance USA Inc, \$64.77; Rodak Law Office, \$1,000.00; Billie Jo Smith, \$350.00; Sonny's Super Foods, \$10.87; Spic-Span Cleaners, \$1,090.00; Street Fund, \$4,000.00; Wickard Heating & Plumbing Inc, \$12,850.00; Total General, \$153,181.85;

Police: Morrill County Sheriff, \$28,937.00

Street: Aflac, \$80.34; American Funds Service Company, \$984.30; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$21.96; BH Energy, \$333.49; BCBS Of Ne, \$2,314.54; Bomgaars, \$208.29; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,922.94; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$135.76; E & S Inc, \$80.87; Federal, \$821.00; Fica, \$1,016.84; HSA , \$418.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, \$171.65; Macqueen Equipment, \$44.80; Medicare, \$237.82; NE Dept Of Revenue, \$349.52; Perry E Nelson, \$40.00; Panhandle Cooperative Assn, \$82.50; Platte Valley Visa, \$207.98; Pohl's Welding & Fab Inc, \$178.06; Powerplan, \$317.30; Regional Care Inc, \$16.00; David Smith, \$40.00; Sun

Life Financial, \$48.87; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$587.58; Total Street, \$10,660.41; Salaries, \$5725.33

Pwcc: Allo Communications LLC, \$240.07; American Funds Service Company, \$530.44; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$27.32; Benzel Pest Control Inc, \$68.99; BH Energy, \$784.51; BCBS Of Ne, \$1,168.91; Bluffs Sanitary Supply Inc, \$360.58; Bomgaars, \$244.19; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$106.50; City Of Bridgeport, \$1,040.80; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$130.66; Computer Connection, \$49.00; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$77.00; Federal, \$510.19; Fica, \$1,380.06; HSA , \$416.00; Ideal Laundry And Cleaners Inc, \$524.38; Kneb, \$150.00; Daniel L Krentz, \$850.00; Medicare, \$322.72; NE Dept Of Revenue, \$234.32; NE Safety & Fire Equip Inc, \$360.00; Platte Valley Bank, \$336.63; Platte Valley Visa, \$2,250.44; Regional Care Inc, \$32.00; Riverside Lumber LLC, \$40.33; Sonnys Super Foods, \$92.34; Stadium Sports, \$144.90; Sun Life Financial, \$37.96; The Tarnished Halo LLC, \$35.95; Town & Country Advertising, \$75.00; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$13.50; Charlee M Wallesen, \$40.00; Total Pwcc, \$12,675.69; Salaries, \$8,924.16

Park: Benzel Pest Control Inc, \$21.54; Bomgaars, \$87.46; City of Bridgeport, \$253.94; Fica, \$90.86; Daniel L Krentz, \$4,500.00; Medicare, \$21.26; NE Public Power District, \$68.19; Panhandle Cooperative Assn, \$125.42; Park Sinking Fund, \$5,000.00; Platte Valley Visa, \$808.38; Riverside Lumber LLC, \$114.84; Randall Sigle, \$664.61; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, \$41.29; Jim Vassos, \$250.00; Thomas Jacob Wiens, \$100.00; Total Park, \$12,147.79; Salaries, \$230.38

Pool: Allo Communications LLC, \$26.45; Kay Anderson, \$135.00; BH Energy, \$30.25; Fica, \$27.28; Independent Plmg & Htg Inc, \$1,180.06; Joe's Sandblasting & Painting, \$12,700.00; Medicare, \$6.38; NE Dept of Revenue, \$1.97; Platte Valley Visa, \$766.24; Riverside Lumber LLC, \$17.92; Spic-Span Cleaners, \$15,866.00; Total Pool, \$30,757.55; Salaries, \$104.69

Library: Allo Communications LLC, \$72.23; American Funds Service Company, \$304.05; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, \$10.98; BH Energy, \$69.35; BCBS Of Ne, \$1,373.94; Bridgeport News-Blade, \$4.32; Cengage Learning, \$79.46; Center Point Large Print, \$131.82; Century Business Products Inc, \$16.14; City Of Bridgeport, \$319.45; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$92.12; Crescent Electric Supply Company, \$279.89; Culligan Water Conditioning, \$31.00; Demco Inc, \$107.60; Federal, \$285.22; Fica, \$655.48; HSA , \$208.00; Indoff Incorporated, \$76.88; Medicare, \$153.30; Micromarketing LLC, \$391.41; NE Dept Of Revenue, \$131.43; Optk Networks, \$75.00; Platte Valley Visa, \$736.19; Regional Care Inc, \$16.00; Billie Jo Smith, \$500.00; Sonnys Super Foods, \$64.93; Sun Life Financial, \$21.01; The Penworthy Company, \$182.93; Total Library, \$6,390.13; Salaries, \$4087.06

Landfill: Bridgeport News-Blade, \$1.06; General Treasury, \$1,875.00; NE Printworks LLC, \$79.83; Waste Connections of Ne Inc, \$15,951.70; Total Landfill, \$17,907.59

Fire: BH Energy, \$104.01; City of Bridgeport, \$923.53; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, \$275.88; Lonnie J Cranmore, \$637.00; Federal, \$75.76; Fica, \$85.84; Medicare, \$20.08; Municipal Emergency Services, \$760.41; NE Dept of Revenue, \$65.64; NE State Fire School, \$345.00; Platte Valley Visa, \$585.25; Sandry Fire Supply LLC, \$37.43; Total Fire, \$3,915.83; Salaries, \$497.94

Keno: Ne Dept Of Revenue Chartable Gaming, \$1,629.00

IV. ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

11. None

V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

12. None

VI. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

13. Public Works Director Larry Heinrich explained this would increase the amount of people it takes to improve a district from 60% to 75%. Changed the wording from directly abutting to abutting. Council member Wickard stated that in order to make any improvements there would have to be almost a 100% agreement to get anything done. Mayor Browne stated he found it unfair for a group of citizens to force additional cost on to a neighbor for something they do not agree with. Council member Deines stated the majority should rule. Ordinance No. 975 failed for a lack of a motion.

14. Council Member Wickard introduced Ordinance No. 976 on first reading, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BRIDGEPORT CITY CODE § 113.03 AND ITS CORRESPONDING ORDINANCES, WITH REGARD TO OCCUPATION TAX COLLECTION DATE; PRESCRIBING THE TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM, seconded by Council Member Rahmig. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Deines, Rahmig, Wickard; Nay: None.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

15. Emergency Items – None.

16. Mayor Browne accepted the only bid for a “Four Wheel Drive Utility Vehicle with HVAC” for the Parks Dept from 21st Century Equipment in the amount of \$23,200.00.

17. Mayor Browne stated the PADD Survey has been completed, at this time we do not qualify for funding.

18. Mayor Browne, Council member Rahmig and Council member Deines discussed the Rural Fire Board Meeting concerning the possible addition of 4 bays to the Rural Fire building to house the City equipment in one location and hiring of a part-time Fire Chief. They agreed to go ahead to get some bids and blueprints. Council member Wickard expressed his concerns about having all the equipment on the south side of the railroad tracks. Council member Rahmig explained they now have options to take different routes and to contact the Sheriffs’ office and the railroad when there are calls. Sheriff Cardenas stated most of the equipment has been housed on the south side of the tracks for some time.

19. Department Reports:

Sheriff: Cardenas stated an Ordinance Officer was hired to help with lawn ordinances.

Pwcc: Charlee Wallesen received an email from Bayard Public School if the PWCC would be an alternate facility if there was an issue with their facility. Received two quotes to redo the gym floor one being \$54,000 and the other being \$68,000. Both having the same specs and longevity. They should be able to do the floor in July 2021. Tom Wiens recommended taking out or extremely trimming seven pine trees and an elm tree. The painters have the pool ready to paint but must wait for the weather. Camp Rock would like to rent the pool every Wednesday evening for their campers to come have a private time to swim.

Public Works: Larry Heinrich presented his report; Maguire Iron will start on the small water tower. There were three interviews for the Electrical Lineman Apprentice program and the position has been filled.

Administration: None

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

XI. 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 8:04 p.m., seconded by Council Member Rahmig. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Rahmig, Deines, Wickard; Nay: None. Meeting Adjourned.

Jamie R Hoxworth, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED:

Charlie Browne, Mayor

I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is the full, true and correct original document of proceedings of Thursday, May 13, 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.

Jamie R Hoxworth, Deputy Clerk