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## **CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

### **SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2016**

Members of the City Council of the City of Crawford, Nebraska, met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 135 Elm Street, Crawford, Nebraska on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. The following individuals were present: Mayor David Nixon, Attorney Adam Edmund, Council Member Karla Adams, Council Member Skip Chubb and Council Member Roy Norgard. Absent: Council Member Ed Kuhnel.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publishing in The Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun as shown by the affidavit of publication filed in the City Clerk's office at City Hall. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice of the Mayor and City Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Nixon called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present at 6:30 p.m. and announced to the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall in the Council Chambers. It is also available in pamphlet form.

Council Member Norgard made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2016 regular council meeting, the September 14 Joint Fire and Council meeting and the September 19 special budget meeting; and to excuse the absence of Council Member Kuhnel from the September 14 joint meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Chubb. The following Council Members voted AYE: Norgard, Chubb and Adams. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

#### Board Reports:

Golf: will meet 9-28-16; minutes from 9-15-16 were available.

Hospital: Dr. Krueger is back to work following his recuperation; \$2.0 million accounts receivable, \$1.5 million in bad debt, \$23 million in reserve; Circle of Light fundraiser on 10-22-16 from 8:00 pm to midnight at Country Kitchen with a dance and hors d'oeuvres; assisted living is full; trying to recruit new doctors; Pine Ridge Turkey Shoot is October 12 and 13.

SWANN: audit is completed; meet in November; resolved a dumpster issue

Fire: met 9-14-16 and discussed budget, billing and fixing of current fire hall building; Skip Chubb will visit with Brian Prosser about where the roof is leaking

Rodeo: profit and loss should be available next meeting; officers remain the same

Park, Ponderosa Villa, NNDC, Chamber of Commerce, Sheriff's Office: no report.

Council Member Adams made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Council Member Chubb. The following Council Members voted AYE: Adams, Chubb and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Regarding the conditional use for additional commercial storage units at Phillips Storage at 604 Second Street, Council Member Chubb made a motion to amend the previous setback conditions so as to allow the building to proceed in line with the other businesses, with zero setback. The motion was seconded by

Council Member Adams. The following Council Members voted AYE: Chubb and Adams. Council Members voted NAY: Norgard. Motion carried.

Rachel Johnson introduced Tyler Woodard with the VISTA program (Volunteers in Service to America) in Emergency Management. Tyler will be organizing the VRC (Volunteer Reception Center) that offers training and simulations in processing the many volunteers that come to help in times of disaster. FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) places a dollar value on volunteer hours and that can greatly help a City to meet monetary thresholds for federal assistance in times of disaster. People interested in being involved can register on-line for a November 10 simulation at Chadron State College.

Council Member Chubb made a motion to approve closing the streets for the Cattle Call for November 5, 2016 from Second Street Hourt's Body shop to Pine Ridge Service, the 100 block of Main Street and Elm Street from Herren Brothers to Old City Hall Mall (but not blocking the Fire Dept.). The motion was seconded by Council Member Adams. The following Council Members voted AYE: Chubb, Adams and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Chubb made a motion to approve incorporating the \$10.50 hourly rate, as proposed, for Kayla Donley for cleaning and winterizing, and to be completed as quickly as possible. The motion was seconded by Council Member Adams. The following Council Members voted AYE: Chubb and Adams. Council Members voted NAY: None. ABSTAINING: Norgard. Motion carried.

Council Member Chubb made a motion to approve closing Legend Buttes Golf Course for the season on 10-8-16. The motion was seconded by Council Member Adams. The following Council Members voted AYE: Chubb, Adams and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Nixon discussed the NE Game and Parks grant opportunity which requires a 50% match. Ideas for the grant were pool security lights, sealing up the pool shower house, extending the water line and dirt base for the Mud Truck area and possibly shelters at the Gun Range.

Council Member Adams made a motion to approve the cemetery deed for Donita Leeling, Twila Winn and Muffy Forney. The motion was seconded by Council Member Chubb. The following Council Members voted AYE: Adams, Chubb and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Chubb made a motion to approve going into executive session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss negotiations with Tower Point cell site management. The motion was seconded by Council Member Adams. The following Council Members voted AYE: Chubb, Adams and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Chubb made a motion to approve to come out of the executive session at 7:28 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Adams. The following Council Members voted AYE: Chubb, Adams and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Public comment was heard from Troy Quay on the roads on the north side of town needing graded, etc. Mayor Nixon responded that the City is waiting on the completion of the storm-water survey but the information will be relayed to Tabbott Sauder; and is the new sewer plant contributing to the mosquito problem - unlikely since there is no standing water involved; Lola Garner didn't receive her cemetery deed yet, which will be looked into; also why the deputies spend so much time in Whitney (according to the newspaper listing of calls) and if Whitney pays us; also a question of where the deputies live, clerk will look at the agreement and let her know.

Bills and claims received approval of three Council Members as indicated by their signatures.

Council Member Adams made a motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Chubb. The following Council Members voted AYE: Adams, Chubb and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

The September 27, 2016 regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Minutes by: \_\_\_\_\_

Jane Dailey  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

David Nixon  
Mayor