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CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES

JUNE 8TH, 2017

Members of the City Council of the City of Crawford, Nebraska, met in a workshop session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 135 Elm Street, Crawford, Nebraska on the 8th day of June, 2017, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. The following individuals were present: Mayor David Nixon, Council Member Ed Kuhnel, Council Member Roy Norgard, Council Member Connie Shell and Council Member Larry Olson. Absent: Attorney Adam Edmund.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting at three locations: City Hall, D & S Market and the US Post Office, as certified and 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 6:35 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.


The amendment to the Ready-to-Serve fees for city utilities as discussed: the need for repairs to the water system; recent leak at the city park; "RTS" is one way to address the needs; a list of properties not contributing to utility funds; the Two-and-Ten Year Plan requires funding; a goal for valve replacement might be 3 pairs to 6 pairs of valves per year at approximately \$8,000 per set; properties with just storage buildings were discussed; if using adjacent properties as one property, it would be treated as one property; examples in other towns; possible fee rates could start at \$42 per month; SWANN dumpsters need dumped more often at the SWANN site; how to charge for RV camping; seasonal utility customers would pay turn-on and turn-off fees in addition to the new monthly RTS fee; new RTS would go into effect at next fiscal year Oct. 1, 2017; to summarize: new RTS applies to water, propose \$42 per month, to start Oct. 1, 2017, earmark funds specifically for Two-and-Ten Year Plan, applies to all the property categories on the spreadsheet.

The concept of cell tower site-management was discussed. Some companies offer to guarantee lease payments on a monthly or lump-sum arrangement. Monthly offers tend to be the same as the current agreement. Lump-sum is much less. No real interest at this time.

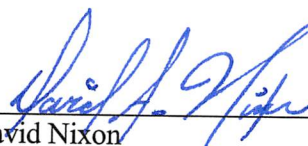
Nuisance properties were discussed: need a consensus on how to address some of the more severe and complicated properties such as doing the work ourselves or contracting it out – will do on a case-by-case basis; deputies have divided the city into thirds to work on nuisance issues; consensus to discontinue courtesy letters, just issue notices; county has changed to doing voting by mail; mayor will send letter of protest; agenda requests made

The June 8, 2017 workshop of the City Council adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Minutes by:


Jane Dailey
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:


David Nixon
Mayor