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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 29TH, 2018

Members of the City Council of the City of Crawford, Nebraska, met in session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 135 Elm Street, Crawford, Nebraska on the 29th day of May, 2018, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. The following individuals were present: Mayor David Nixon, Attorney Adam Edmund, Council Member Ed Kuhnel, Council Member Roy Norgard, Council Member Connie Shell and Council Member Larry Olson. Absent: none.

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 Shell made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 regular council meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Olson, Kuhnel and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

Golf: 5-21-18 minutes were available; discussed refinancing.

Park: will meet 6-11-18; Tom Rempp asked about spraying for weeds; Tucker Knode will be asked if he can do it with the city sprayer; will contact Jon Aid to get boiler started while Snell waits for parts to come in.

Hospital: no meeting in May; will meet 6-25-18.

SWANN: will meet in July.

Rodeo: meet 6-5-18.

NNDC: Mayor Nixon attended the meeting where promotional ideas were discussed.

Sub-Committee for use of Cultural Center: leak has re-appeared; back area is cleaned up and arranged.

Vehicle Committee: still waiting on a list, and getting VINs; indistinguishable items that are definitely of no value can be scrapped; if an item doesn't sell at auction or sealed bid, and it has no value, it can then be scrapped.

Ponderosa Villa: no report.

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

No action was taken on the Ordinance to amend the Ready-to-Serve charge for city utilities.

Monthly compliance rates have been 72%, 75%, 73%, 70% and 67%; there is still discussion regarding lot versus parcel, continuing properties for residential and business use and many reviews that have been requested.

No action was taken on the request from the Chamber of Commerce for Keno funds for the July 4th activities. This may be re-visited on June 12, 2018.

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve the request for \$700 for History Day. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Olson, Norgard and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

A meeting with NDOT and BNSF has not yet been scheduled. Comments received included: in the eventuality that the crossing is closed and the county has to upgrade Bethel Road, it will take resources away from other county projects; the meeting will be a workshop which means no decisions can be made, but if a quorum of council or county are involved, notice will be posted and an agenda will be available; not close to any negotiations yet, just gathering information.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the attendance of Council President Connie Shell at the Dawes County Commissioner's meeting to request the commissioner's attendance at the next NDOT and BNSF workshop. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Kuhnel, and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Council Member ABSTAIN: Shell. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the appointment of Vicki Armstrong to the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell, Norgard and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the surplus list.

John Skavdahl provided an initial presentation of a refinancing proposal for a line of credit that would include the Golf Clubhouse and possible future needs for golf carts and the irrigation system. The proposal will go back to the Golf Board at the 6-11-18 meeting and the Council at the 6-12-18 meeting.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the street closure on June 16, 2018 for a fundraiser from Second Street from Perk-Up to Main Street from 2:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norgard. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Norgard, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Norgard made a motion to approve a Special Designated Liquor License for the City of Crawford from July 1-4, 2018 for the Rodeo, Park and Mud Truck areas. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Norgard, Kuhnel, Olson and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the attendance of Jennifer Dean and Linda VerHage at the PASS and Defensive Driver's Training in Scottsbluff May 30-31, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell, Norgard and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Ideas on vendor permit regulations consisted of keeping the cost very minimal (such as \$2.00 or \$3.00) for non-profit groups and \$10.00 for "for-profit" groups.

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve a cemetery deed for Robert DeBock. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Kuhnel, Norgard and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve the hire of Reid Hankin as a park/cemetery employee at \$9.00 per hour. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Olson, Kuhnel and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve to tear up the park entrance road from the pillars to the bridge and put in red rock before July 4th and up to \$3,500 for rock. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell, Norgard and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Estimates will be gathered to dig up and expose the problem under the street at 200 block of Pine Street.

An idea was offered to use a golf cart to provide rides on the bike trail.

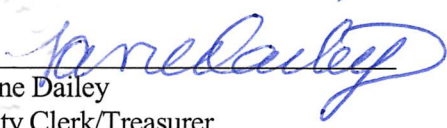
Tony Armer of Mainelli Wagner & Associates, Inc. (Civil Engineering Services) distributed his business card.

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

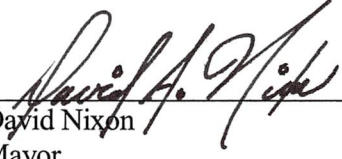
Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norgard. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Norgard, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

The May 29, 2018 meeting of the City Council adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Minutes by:


Jane Dailey
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:


David Nixon
Mayor