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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JULY 24TH, 2018

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 24th day of July, 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 July 10, 2018 regular council meeting, the July 11, 2018 budget workshop (with the excused absence of Council Member Ed Kuhnel), the July 17 2018 workshop at the old Fire Hall (with the excused absence of Council Members Kuhnel and Norgard) and the July 18, 2018 budget workshop. 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: the Golf Board presented the City with a budget for next year.

Park: Barb Prosser bought pellets for the pond to use next year to keep the algae down; asking Mayor Nixon to contact Chris Ford on millings for the park; Karla Knapp donated plywood for boarding up some of the buildings in the park and Ronnie Thompson and Mike Reynoldson contributed the labor; 12" drain covers are needing to be replaced; the pool filters are falling apart; August 12 will be the last day for the pool to be open; the drain in the boiler room is not draining; lifeguard training costs will be reimbursed (for those finishing the season); looking into less guards on duty next year, and possibly being closed one day per week; requesting volleyball and basketball nets for next year; chlorinator hoses or fittings may need replaced; boiler is working well; need to replace some piping to the showerheads; inquiring about placing a light on the outside of the building instead of replacing the security light; community building back-door has been fixed; west door needs weather-stripping; next meeting August 20 at 5:30 p.m.; council would like a copy of the pool regulations; volunteers are lined up to paint the pool and will be ready to be drained Aug. 13.

Ponderosa Villa and Hospital Boards will meet July 30.

SWANN: running smoothly; up to budget.

Rodeo: meets Aug. 6.

NNDC: CDBG has \$38,206, FBEG \$22,923 and IRP \$50,566 to loan; have a couple of interests; NNDC office is moving to 337 Main St.

Chamber of Commerce: Robyn Garvin reported that they have received a grant for some repairs to the Information Booth and are looking for a grant for picnic tables.

Sub-committee for use of Cultural Center: with the last two rains, there have been no more leaks; moving the barber shop to the back area; storage has been costing \$45 per month; membership drives were discussed; a donation box is available at the museum.

Surplus Committee: the first three responses on Craig's List were scams; have had other interests; Council Member Olson will try to put photos on Craig's List; the Chevy is not a '67, it's a '62.

Deputy Swickard reported that they have towed some vehicles; some comments on a deputy staying at the park.

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

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the annual addendum to the agreement with the Dawes County Sheriff's Office. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norgard. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Norgard, Shell and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Suggested amendments to the Cemetery Policies were discussed. Additions are in italics: "Only exception will be a military marker *which may be placed at the foot of the grave.*"; removing the paragraph heading "Miscellaneous Facts"; "All markers and monuments *shall be placed at the west end of the grave.*"; omitting "This is in respect to the ones that are laid to rest. It allows visiting the grave without walking on it. If a couple is laid to rest, the woman is placed on the north side. The man is placed on the south side. If you are facing east and looking at the headstone, this places the woman on the left side and the man on the right side."

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve the suggested amendments to the Cemetery Policies. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norgard. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Norgard, Kuhnel and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the cemetery deed for Mary B. Clark if the tree (from the previously purchased deed) cannot be removed. 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.

Council Member Norgard made a motion to approve the hire of Dennis Krotz for the water/waste water position. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Norgard, Kuhnel, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

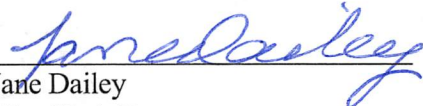
Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the hire of Gail Wheeler as a seasonal park employee. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norgard. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Norgard and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: Shell. Motion carried.

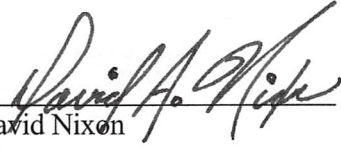
Budget workshops are scheduled for Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. for August 1, 8, 15 and 22.

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

Council Member Shell made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. 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.

The July 24, 2018 regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Minutes by: 
Jane Dailey
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by: 
David Nixon
Mayor