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CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES

JULY 25, 2018

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 25th day of July, 2018, at 5:30 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 workshop 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 and 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 workshop. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened workshop was open to the attendance of the public.

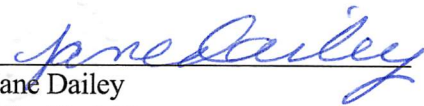
Mayor Nixon called the workshop to order and declared a quorum present at 5:30 p.m. and announced to the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall in the Council Chambers. It is also available in pamphlet form.

Head Librarian Marcella Thompson reported that since October 1, the library has had approximately 3,200 walk-ins, of which 505 of those were for computer use, 395 e-books checked out and 2,031 regular check-outs; so about 3,000 people have checked out 2,000 books since October 1. Use and visitation is very sporadic, partly due to conflicting community events; some weeks there may be six or seven people in one day on the computers, and other weeks it may be two or three. Marcella is working on a community needs response survey. Ideas to save money in the upcoming year included looking at the traffic count on different days and possibly being open less than six days per week, such as Mon-Wed-Fri and a partial Saturday (Saturdays tend to be slow). Other matters: the roof is not leaking; the Book Club meets once per week; there is a Story Hour for children; the money received from copies and faxes, book sales, overdue fees and fines were discussed. The Head Librarian will report monthly to City Hall regarding monies received.

Budget worksheets provided by the Library Board were reviewed. Several changes were made from the Library Board's original proposal.

The July 25, 2018 workshop of the City Council concluded at 7:38 p.m.

Minutes by:


Jane Dailey
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:


David Nixon
Mayor