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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 11TH, 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 11th day of December, 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 November 27, 2018 regular council meeting and the November 29, 2018 emergency council meeting and to excuse the absence of Council Member Roy Norgard from the November 29, 2018 emergency meeting. 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.

Board Reports:

Golf: getting rid of surplus beer; following up on outstanding cart storage fees; Whitney Dock Club event on 1/12/19; waiting on keys to be turned in.

Park: will meet in March.

Ponderosa Villa: will meet end of the month; Ralene Suchor stated that since Medicaid reimbursements have been reduced, private rates have had to be raised; financially need to strive for 29 residents; encouraged participation in the on-line seminar to testify the need to quit cutting funding; for more information, see nebraskaconversation.com.

Hospital: had a meet-and-greet for interim CEO; will meet last Monday in January.

SWANN: will meet in January.

NNDC: will meet 12/21/18.

Chamber of Commerce: will meet in January.

Sub-Committee for use of Cultural Center: letters have been sent out for 2019 memberships; will be lining up things that need to be done and opportunities to volunteer.

Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA): Megan Spargo came up from Benkelman; getting a game plan go move forward; need to fill the board vacancies; will meet 12/12/18 at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall, and will generally be meeting every two weeks.

Rodeo: no report.

Ordinance 669 confirming the sale of 220 Elm Street to Post Playhouse Inc. was read by title by Mayor Nixon.

Council Member Shell made a motion to introduce and suspend the rules for Ordinance 669. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Kuhnel, Olson and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve to pass and publish Ordinance 669 confirming the sale of 220 Elm Street to Post Playhouse Inc. 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.

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. 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.

Council Member Shell made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement of Gardner, Loutzenhiser and Ryan, P.C. to perform the annual audit. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Kuhnel, Olson and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Shell made a motion to accept the annual Street Financial Report submitted by Anthony Krajewski. 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 hire of Lyle Humann as a snow removal employee. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson, Norgard and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the attendance of Jennifer Dean to the 2019 NE Municipal Clerk Institute and Academy in Kearney, NE March 18-22, 2019. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Shell, Kuhnel and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the attendance of Dennis Krotz to waste water training in Wahoo, NE February 26 - March 1, 2019 and the following test in Lincoln, NE on March 7, 2019. 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 Shell made a motion to approve the attendance of Gene Anderson to the Snowball Conference in Kearney, NE January 23 - 24, 2019. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Kuhnel, Olson and Norgard. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve to set January 8, 2019 as the hearing date for proposed increases in Public Transportation service fees for out-of-town destinations. 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.

April Grant will be asked to submit some ideas for the January 8, 2019 council meeting for graphic signage on the new transportation bus.

The disposition of the 2002 Public Transportation van will be re-visited in three months (March 2019).

Mayor David Nixon presented the Certification of Municipal Clerk award to Clerk Jane Dailey. Council Member Roy Norgard expressed his thanks to Clerk Dailey for all of her knowledge and dedication, and hoped the new council will appreciate this accomplishment and her having received the USDA Clerk of the Year award when addressing agenda item #26 (re-appointment to the Clerk-Treasurer position.)

Clerk Dailey presented a gift of appreciation from the employees to Mayor Nixon and to Council Member Norgard. Several comments of appreciation were expressed to Mayor Nixon and Council Member Norgard from some of those in attendance.

The December 11, 2018 regular meeting of the City Council adjourned Sine Die at 7:10 p.m.

City Clerk Dailey reported on the results of the election held on November 6, 2018. For North Ward Council Member: Ed Kuhnel received 94 votes and Troy DeGunia received 21 votes; for South Ward Council Member: Ronnie Thompson received 151 votes and Roy Norgard received 94 votes; for Crawford Mayor: David Nixon received 99 votes and Connie Shell received 281 votes.

Mayor-elect Shell and Council Members-elect Kuhnel and Thompson were sworn in by Clerk Dailey.

Mayor Shell nominated Brian Frahm to fill the South Ward Council Member vacancy.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the appointment of Brian Frahm to the South Ward Council Member vacancy. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: Thompson. Motion carried.

South Ward Council Member Brian Frahm was sworn in by Clerk Dailey.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve Council Member Larry Olson as Council President. The motion was seconded by Council Member Frahm. The following Council Members voted AYE: Thompson, Frahm and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: None. ABSTAINING: Olson. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the appointment of Adam Edmund as City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Council Member Frahm. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Frahm, Olson and Thompson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the appointment of Jane Dailey as City Clerk-Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Council Member Frahm. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Frahm, Thompson and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Shell made the following board liaison appointments: Park and Rodeo – Ronnie Thompson; Golf, SWANN, Cultural Center – Larry Olson; Ponderosa Villa, NNDC, Cultural Center – Ed Kuhnel; Hospital – Brian Frahm.

The Corporate Officers on the liquor license for the City of Crawford dba Legend Buttes Golf Course will be Mayor Connie Shell, Clerk Jane Dailey, Council President and Golf Liaison Larry Olson and Council Member Frahm.

Council Member Thompson made a motion to approve the Banking Resolutions for Security First Bank and First National Bank of Chadron with signature card signees as Mayor Shell, Clerk Dailey and Council President Olson. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Thompson, Olson, Kuhnel and Frahm. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to accept the resignation of Ben Eicher from the Community Redevelopment Authority. The motion was seconded by Council Member Thompson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Thompson, Frahm and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the appointment of David Nixon to the Community Redevelopment Authority. The motion was seconded by Council Member Frahm. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Frahm, Thompson and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the appointment of Diane Clark to the Community Redevelopment Authority. The motion was seconded by Council Member Thompson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Thompson, Olson and Frahm. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

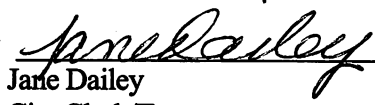
Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the waiver of Ready-to-Serve charge on 103 Oak owned by Bruce Corbin. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson, Frahm and Thompson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

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

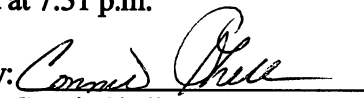
Council Member Olson made a motion to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Thompson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Frahm and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: Thompson. Motion carried.

The December 11, 2018 regular meeting of the new City Council adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Minutes by:


Jane Dailey
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:


Connie Shell
Mayor