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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 23RD, 2017

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 23rd day of May, 2017, at 6:30 o'clock p.m. The following individuals were present: Mayor David Nixon, Attorney Adam Edmund, Council Member Ed Kuhnel, Council Member Connie Shell and Council Member Larry Olson. Absent: Roy Norgard.

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 9, 2017 regular council meeting and to excuse the absence of Mayor Nixon from the May 9, 2017 regular council meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Shell, Kuhnel and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

Park: will meet June 12, 2017; two bids on mower repair.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the bid from Dave Swanson for mower repair. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Board Reports continued:

Ponderosa Villa: will meet last Monday/month.

Hospital: will meet last Monday/month.

Rodeo: doing a lot of cleaning; High School Rodeo June 4.

NNDC: CDBG \$63,023.31; USDA \$34,367.30; IRP \$34,019.26; LB 528 will address Rural Workforce Housing.

Chamber of Commerce: will meet 6/1/17 at White River Gallery; Tourist Booth will open Memorial weekend.

Sub-committee for use of Cultural Center: will meet 6/5/17 at 3:00 p.m.

Golf, SWANN, Fire: no report.

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

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the hire of Jennifer Dean as Deputy Clerk to start on June 5 at \$13.00 per hour with a \$0.25 per hour increase at six months and a \$0.25 increase at one year. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

The conditional use hearing for Irene Hughes for RV spaces located at Q's Dairy Sweet on Hwy 2/71 was opened at 6:42 p.m.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the building permit for Carl Burrous for a café structure at 304 McPherson. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the destroy-building permit for Jason Hauser to tear down a trailer at 602 Main Street. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the Special Designated Liquor License for open container at the rodeo grounds, mud truck track and city park areas for July 1-4, 2017. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the street closure for the Cattle Call on November 4, 2017 for Pine Ridge to Northwest Auto, Park to Hitch n Post and Fire Hall to Security 1st Bank. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Receiving no public comments, the conditional use hearing for Irene Hughes for RV spaces located at Q's Dairy Sweet on Hwy 2/71 was closed at 6:48 p.m.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve the conditional use permit for Irene Hughes for RV spaces located at Q's Dairy Sweet on Hwy 2/71. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson, Shell and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the appointments to the Board of Health as Mayor Nixon, Council President Shell, Jack Galt and Deputy Swickard. The motion was seconded by Council Member Olson. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Olson and Shell. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Crawford and the Pine Ridge Cycle Association for a one-year term. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Public comment period was held at 6:54 regarding the application for USDA Funds for the water and sewer extension for the new Fire Hall. No questions or comments were offered.

Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to approve the application for USDA funds for the water and sewer extension for the new Fire Hall. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

Public comment period was held at 6:55 p.m. regarding the application for federal, state and local funds for the purchase of a new Public Transportation bus. Questions were answered on demand-response service, meals-on-wheels, and out-of-town trips.

Council Member Olson made a motion to approve \$6,800 for the electrical installation project for the park camping area. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhnel. The following Council Members voted AYE: Olson and Kuhnel. Council Members voted NAY: Shell. Motion carried.

Crawford Mud Racers discussion: pumping water out of the river would require an irrigation pump; approximately 8,000 gallons are used per race; a 10,000 gallon tank could be filled a little at a time to reduce the strain on the city's water system; State Statute says Game & Parks is in charge but they adopt the NRA regulations for shooting ranges; Gun Club has a concern on grant applications if not adhering to NRA regulations if the mud track is inside the minimum distance; Council Member Olson will talk to Game & Parks Commissioner about it.

The discussion on a ready-to-serve charge for utility services focused on properties with houses but no service and vacant lots with no buildings. There would be no change for properties that currently remain year-round on the system now.


Public comment was heard on an incident at the Golf Clubhouse on April 14th, 15th and an incident on April 27th, 2017; mower repair being quicker than last year; another mower possibly available for trade-in; could SWANN dumpsters be emptied more often or on different days.

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

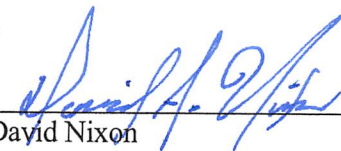
Council Member Kuhnel made a motion to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shell. The following Council Members voted AYE: Kuhnel, Shell and Olson. Council Members voted NAY: None. Motion carried.

The May 23, 2017 regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Minutes by:


Jane Dailey
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:


David Nixon
Mayor