

FEBRUARY 19, 2025 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Calhoun, Nebraska, was held in open and public session at 7:00, on Tuesday, February 19, 2025, at the Fort Calhoun Council Chamber, 110 S 14th St, in Fort Calhoun, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication, said form of notice being a designated method for giving notice, an affidavit of publication being attached to these minutes.

Advance notice of this meeting was also given to the Mayor and all Council Members. The availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council Members.

In accordance with Section 84-1412 sub section eight (8) of the Reissue Revised State Statutes of the State of Nebraska 1943, as amended, one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed is available to the public at this meeting for examination and copying.

Mayor Robinson stated persons wishing to address the Governing Body on an agenda item shall wait to be identified by the Presiding Officer; then, after stating their name and address for the record, may proceed to speak. No person, other than the Council and the person having the floor will be permitted to enter any discussion without the permission of the Presiding Officer. Remarks shall be limited to five minutes unless extended or limited and repetitive or cumulative remarks may be limited or excluded by the Presiding Officer.

Please note that the meeting minutes are not approved until the next regular City Council meeting.

On roll call, the following Council Members answered present: John Kelly, Kris Richardson, Bob Prieksat. Member Nick Schuler was absent.

Mayor Robinson publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Mayor Robinson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

With a quorum present, Mayor Robinson presided, and the clerk recorded the proceedings.

Member Prieksat made a motion seconded by member Richardson to approve the following consent agenda: *January 21, 2025, City Council minutes; Treasures Report for January; February 6, 2025 Park Committee minutes; Maintenance Report; January 2024 Washington County Sheriff's Statistics.* With members Kelly, Richardson, and Prieksat voting "Aye", motion carried.

Mayor Robinson presented the February bills. Motion by Prieksat second by Kelly to approve the following bills: ABE'S TRASH SERVICE, INC. - 330.64 - SER, ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING - 395.52 - SER, AFLAC - 118.95 - , 16.25, BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF NE - 3741.58 - , BOK FINANCIAL - 3170.00 - PYMT, BOMGAARS - 339.75 - SUP, CITY OF BLAIR - 3879.27 - UTL, CORBAN HELMANDOLLAR - 271.38 - SUP, CORNHUSKER PRESS - 81.01 - SUP, COX BUSINESS - 526.35 - UTL, EFTPS - 1528.26 - , 357.42 - , 930.86 - , ELECTRIC PUMP, INC. - 480.00 - EXP, EMBRIS GROUP, LLC - 5938.75 - PROF, ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP - 14.09 - SER, 14.09 - SER, 20.45 - SER, 101.81 - SER, 32.72 - SER, GATEWAY DEVELOPMENT CORP. - 5000.00 - DUES, IDEAL PURE WATER - 76.50 - SER, JDW MIDWEST, LLC - 3274.63 - SER, JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC. - 851.25 - PROF, 3880.00 - PROF, KAMB & C ENTERPRISES - 67.93 - SER, 67.93 - SER, M.U.D. - 520.71 - UTL, MENARDS - 193.49 - EXP, MICHAEL TODD INDUSTRY SUPPLY - 966.04 - EXP, NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENV LAB - 30.00 - TEST, NEBR RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION - 350.00 - DUES, NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE - 393.76 - , NEBRASKA SALES TAX - 2967.98 - TAX, O.P.P.D. - 1288.13 - UTL, 3994.35 - UTL, ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC - 8.94 - SER, PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER N. R. D. - 7169.88 - UTL, 1188.59 - UTL, POSTMASTER - 208.88 - EXP, POUNDS PRINTING - 488.00 - EXP, STOCK SEED FARMS INC - 182.50 - EXP, TALBOT LAW OFFICE - 910.00 - PROF, THE AMERICAN FUNDS GROUP - 1316.55, UTILITIES SECTION-LEAGUE - 130.00 - TRNG, VERIZON WIRELESS - 133.82 - EXP, VISA - 5269.14 - EXP, WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT - 2550.00 - EXP, YOUNG & WHITE LAW OFFICES - 1742.20 - PROF, Total – 67510.35; with Prieksat, Kelly, and Richardson voting "Aye",

motion carried.

Jon and Doug Genoways discussed the trail and drainage issues at 922 Monroe St. Jon and Doug met with Aaron Hirsh, Embris Group, and Corban Helmandollar, Maintenance Supervisor, to show them the issues on the property. They are both okay with taking the fence out. Member Prieksat made a motion seconded by member Kelly to approve Lucas and Corban to work with the Genoways to get a Temporary Easement and resolve the drainage issues. With members Richardson, Prieksat, and Kelly voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Kelly made a motion seconded by member Richardson to approve awarding a contract to the low bidder, M.E. Collins Contracting Co., Inc. of Wahoo, NE in an amount of \$416,834.30 and authorize the mayor to execute the same for the 2023 Monroe Street Extension, Street Improvement District 2022-1. With members Kelly, Richardson, and Prieksat voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Prieksat made a motion seconded by member Richardson to approve Amendment No. 1 from JEO Consulting Group's November 21, 2022 task order in the amount of \$26,750.00 to provide ROW acquisition assistance, services during construction by the engineer, construction staking, and project assessment documentation for the 2023 Monroe Street Extension, Street Improvement District 2022-1. With Prieksat, Kelly, and Richardson voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Kelly made a motion seconded by member Prieksat to approve Task Order 220002.02 from Embris Group, LLC in the amount of \$49,600.00 to provide construction administration and part-time project representation for the 2023 Monroe Street Extension, Street Improvement District 2022-1. With members Richardson, Prieksat, and Kelly voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Prieksat made a motion seconded by member Kelly to approve Change Order No. 02 for the Fort Calhoun Trail Extension Phase 3 & 4 project from NLC, LLC in the amount of \$176,455.88. This is the final change order for the project. There are some quantity adjustments in Group B, extensions on culvert wing walls, and added in some paving areas. The watermain section came in under bid. With members Kelly, Richardson, and Prieksat voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Kelly made a motion seconded by member Richardson to approve Pay Application No. 4 and Final for the Fort Calhoun Trail Extension Phase 3 & 4 project from NLC, LLC in the amount of \$77,632.45. The punch list items are complete, and the project is now in the warranty period. With Prieksat, Kelly, and Richardson voting "Aye", motion carried.

After a vote, Mayor Robinson stated for the record, the motion was made, seconded and carried for the council to go into closed session, necessary for the protection of the public interest, to discuss property negotiations at 7:31 p.m.

Mayor Robinson declared the meeting in open session at 7:40 p.m. No action was taken.

Following a motion and vote, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Mitch Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST: Alicia Koziol, City Clerk