

# ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

June 16, 2016

A regular meeting of the Ashland City Council was held at the Ashland City Hall Council Chambers on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Richard Grauerholz  
City Council President Russell DeVries  
City Council Member James Anderson  
City Council Member Janece Mollhoff  
City Council Member Kyle Vest  
City Administrator Jessica Quady  
City Clerk Kathleen Sliva  
City Attorney Mark Fahleson

Others: Richene Perkins, Anita Hollier and Shirley Niemeyer

Notice of meeting was advertised in the Ashland Gazette on June 9, 2016. The Mayor and all Council Members received advance notice of the meeting and a copy of the agenda as shown by the Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Mayor Grauerholz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared. Mayor Grauerholz noted the Open Meetings Act that is posted on the south wall of the Council Chambers.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Vest to adopt the regular agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Shirley Niemeyer gave public comment regarding the new Chamber of Commerce brochure, on her appreciation of work being done by the Public Works Department, on her desire to have the new planning and zoning documents accessible on-line for citizens to review and she complimented the council on moving forward with their enforcement of existing codes.

Richene Perkins and Anita Hollier spoke to the Council regarding Perkins property at 601 South 8th Street. Hollier asked the Council how much time Perkins will have to remove her personal items from the property. Discussion was held regarding a timeline for this and Perkins plan for the property. Perkins stated that the house will probably be torn down and that she did not meet with the Building Inspector as discussed at the last

Council meeting. City Administrator Quady stated that a demolition permit would be required to tear the structure down. Mayor Grauerholz told Perkins that she could either repair the structure or tear it down and gave her suggestions on how to find a contractor. City Administrator Quady stated that the item could be on the August 18<sup>th</sup> Council Agenda so Perkins would have until August 17 to complete the work or to come to the meeting to request an extension. Council Members told Perkins that if she requests an extension they would want documentation of progress made. City Attorney Fahleson stated that a date would need to be inserted into the Resolution for when the nuisance should be abated. City Administrator Quady told Perkins that progress could be reported and questions directed to City Hall.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Vest to approve Resolution 2016-7 – Declaring the findings of the City Council regarding property at NW ¼, Block 21, Dean’s Addition more commonly known as 601 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street dated August 17, 2016.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Vest, seconded by DeVries to approve on third and final reading Ordinance 1127 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FOLLOWING PORTIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND: SECTION 4.11 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, AS PROVIDED IN THE CITY OF ASHLAND MUNICIPAL ZONING ORDINANCE; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; TO ORDER THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

City Attorney Fahleson read the Title of Ordinance 1127.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Shirley Niemeyer spoke to the Council regarding the possible placement of a message sign on the corner of 13<sup>th</sup> and Silver Streets at the City parking lot. She said the Chamber did vote to move forward with the idea. She said it would be a way to improve communications with Chamber members and the public. She noted that there are existing poles that could be used with a locking display case with changeable letters. City Administrator Quady stated that a sign should meet City codes and that this would be within the Historic Preservation District. Council Member Vest noted that there is a sign across the street at the Ashland Community Resource Center. Discussion was held regarding a different location for the sign and the message sign on the post office.

Reviewed the May 2016 Keno report.

Reviewed the Public Works Director’s Report.

Reviewed the Utility Superintendent’s Report.

Reviewed Police Chief’s Report.

Reviewed Building Inspector's Report.

Reviewed Library Report.

Motion by Mollhoff, seconded by DeVries to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the June 2, 2016 City Council meeting minutes and approval of the May 26, 2016 Planning Commission meeting minutes.

Roll Call:                      Ayes: All                      Motion Carried

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Vest to approve the first half of June 2016 Claims.

Roll Call:                      Ayes: All                      Motion Carried

Motion by Mollhoff, seconded by DeVries to approve May 2016 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call:                      Ayes: All                      Motion Carried

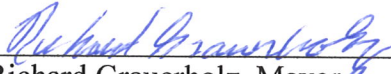
Mayor Grauerholz gave his Mayor's Report. He reported on a meeting discussing the ballpark design, on a storm sewer erosion problem, and on construction progress on the new well.


City Administrator Quady stated that she will be sending out an email on budget meetings. She reported on progress on the walking trail repair, on Bob Edgerton's storm sewer complaint and on a downtown water service line repair.

Council Member Anderson noted that the brick west of 14<sup>th</sup> and Silver Streets may need repaired.

Motion by Mollhoff, seconded by DeVries to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Roll Call:                      Ayes: All                      Motion Carried

  
Richard Grauerholz, Mayor

  
Kathleen Sliva, City Clerk



I, the above signed City Clerk of Ashland, Saunders County, Nebraska hereby certify that the foregoing is a

true and accurate copy of the proceedings had and done by the Council on June 16, 2016 that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty four hours prior to said meeting; that said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten business days or prior to the next convened meeting of said body.