

ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
December 17, 2020

A regular meeting of the Ashland City Council was held at the Ashland Community Resource Center on the 17th day of December, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Richard Grauerholz
City Council President James Anderson
City Council Member Jake Crnkovich
City Council Member Chuck Niemeyer
City Administrator Jessica Quady
City Clerk Kathleen Sliva
City Attorney Mark Fahleson

Absent: City Council Member Bruce Wischmann

Others: Suzi Nelson

Notice of meeting was advertised in the Ashland Gazette on December 10, 2020. 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 located on the south wall of the room.

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to adopt the regular agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Anderson, second by Niemeyer to approve on third and final reading of Ordinance 1187 – AN ORDINANCE TO THE CITY OF ASHLAND, NEBRASKA TO ESTABLISH SECTION 3-123 OF THE ASHLAND MUNICIPAL CODE DESIGNATING A WELLHEAD PROTECTION AREA, AS APPROVED BY THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY, WELLHEAD PROTECTION PROGRAM, DATED OCTOBER 2018, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

City Attorney Fahleson read the Title of Ordinance 1187.

City Administrator Quady said this is to define the wellhead area. She requested that if there is anyone that needs to decommission a well to have them contact the City as the City has grant money available to pay to do this. She said there will be ads in the paper and flyers mailed out to area farmers regarding the wellhead protection plan and decommissioning funding and she agreed to send the flyers out to the City's sewer only accounts.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

City Administrator Quady explained to the Council the County's request for No Parking signs along North 22nd Street by the County shop to allow for easier access for the County's larger trucks and equipment into their driveway.

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to approve the placement of No Parking signs on 66 feet of North 22nd Street by the County shop with the County putting up and paying for the signage and painting the curb.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to approve authorizing the Mayor to sign Amendment #2 to Agreement for 2020 Sanitary Sewer Improvements with JEO Consulting Group, Inc.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Anderson, second by Niemeyer to authorize the Mayor to sign Maintenance Agreement with the State of Nebraska.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Reviewed the November 2020 Keno Report.

Reviewed the Public Works Director's Report.

Reviewed Utility Superintendent's Report.

Reviewed Police Chief's Report.

Reviewed Building Official's Report.

Reviewed Library Report.

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the December 3, 2020 City Council meeting minutes.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Motion by Anderson, second by Niemeyer to approve the first half of December 2020 Claims.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

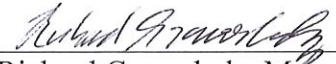
Motion by Anderson, second by Niemeyer to approve November 2020 Treasurer's Reports.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Mayor Grauerholz reported on a meeting on the school construction project; on a grant received for the wellhead protection plan; on the good job the Public Works staff did removing snow; on the positive comments by the community on the downtown holiday lights; and on a letter to the editor about the need for stop signs at various intersections.

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 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 December 17, 2020 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.