ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING February 1, 2024

A regular meeting of the Ashland City Council was held at the Ashland City Hall Council Chambers on the 1st day of February 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor James Anderson

City Council President Chuck Niemeyer City Council Member Jake Crnkovich City Council Member Jerry Lofberg City Administrator Jessica Quady

City Clerk Kathleen Sliva

Assistant City Attorney Sarah Meier

Absent:

City Council Member Michelle Libal

Others:

Lowell Krueger, Caleb Fjone, Carol Clough, Ron Styskal, Dan Linke, Jim

Pinkman, Bill Krejci

Notice of meeting was advertised in the Ashland Gazette on January 26, 2024. 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 Anderson 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. Anderson noted the Open Meetings Act located on the south wall of the room.

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

Roll Call:

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to introduce and approve first reading of Ordinance 1231 – Amend No Parking Regulations.

Assistant City Attorney Meier read the Title of Ordinance 1231.

City Administrator Quady stated the only change to the current ordinance is the addition of #9 that adds a no parking area along North 17th Avenue near the new primary school. She said this would not allow parking on either side of the street.

Roll Call:

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Lowell Krueger, owner of 106 South 16th Street, spoke to the Council regarding his nuisance property. He reviewed pictures taken of the property. Discussion was held regarding the areas he is working on, in particular the work on the porch, and the need for a new schedule. City Administrator Quady and Building Official Krejci will meet with Krueger to work on developing the work schedule prior to the first meeting in March.

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Lofberg to postpone consideration of recommendation for abatement of nuisance at 106 South 16th Street until March 7, 2024.

Roll Call:

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Lofberg to approve consent agenda which included approval of the January 4, 2024 City Council meeting minutes; and approval of pay requests from JEO Consulting Group for general engineering in the amounts of \$4,233.75 and \$3,232.50; for Dennis Dean Road Improvements in the amount of \$4,170.00 and \$1,160.00; and for Water Main Furnas and 30th Streets in the amount of \$9.900.00,

Roll Call:

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Motion by Niemeyer, second by Crnkovich to approve the January 2024 Claims.

Roll Call:

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

Mayor Anderson stated he and other Council members attended a Hall of Fame Induction at Camp Ashland.

AAEDC Director Fjone reported on a WPA poster contest the Postscript employee Abbi Eccleston will be participating in.

Motion by Lofberg, second by Crnkovich to adjourn at 7:29 p.m.

Roll Call:

Ayes: All

Motion Carried

James Anderson, Mayor

Kathleen Sliva, City Clerk

I, the above signed City Clerk of Ashland, Saunders County, Nebraska hereby the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the proceedings had and done by the Council on February 1, 2024 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.