

**ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
November 17, 2016

A regular meeting of the Ashland City Council was held at the Ashland City Hall Council Chambers on the 17th day of November, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Others: John Keith

Notice of meeting was advertised in the Ashland Gazette on November 10, 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 DeVries, seconded by Mollhoff to adopt the regular agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

Mayor Grauerholz opened a public hearing on a Special Use Permit for Exterior Alterations in the B-2 Downtown Commercial District at W 18' Lot 2 Block 31 Flora City Addition, located at 1415 Silver Street at 7:02 p.m. City Administrator Quady stated that the Historic Preservation Committee and the Planning Commission both recommended approval. She said the building is owned by Staci Hubert and the old bank sign was discovered when it was exposed while they were working on the front of the building. She added this permit is to allow them to keep the historical sign. With no further comment, Mayor Grauerholz closed the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

City Administrator Quady said the City will be lease purchasing the excavator and a resolution is being required by the lending bank. She said the three year lease purchase was approved with the budget.

Motion by Mollhoff, seconded by DeVries to approve Resolution 2016-14 – Enter into a Municipal Lease Agreement with Hamilton Equipment Company assigned to Wells Fargo Vendor Financial Services LLC.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by Anderson, seconded by DeVries to approve Special Use Permit for Exterior Alterations in the B-2 Downtown Commercial District at 1415 Silver Street.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by DeVries, seconded by Mollhoff to approve Pay Request for the New Well 2015 from JEO Consulting Group Inc. in the amount of \$409.00.

City Administrator Quady gave an update on the well.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Reviewed the October 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.

City Clerk Sliva noted a correction to the November 3, 2016 Council Meeting minutes and requested that the minutes of the October 25, 2016 Planning Commission meeting be removed from the consent agenda as they were not ready to be presented to the Council.

Motion by Mollhoff, seconded by DeVries to approve the consent agenda which included approval of the corrected November 3, 2016 City Council meeting minutes and approval of Nicholas Thies as a new member of the Ashland Fire Department.

Roll Call:                   Ayes: All                   Motion Carried

Motion by DeVries, seconded by Gossin to approve the first half of November 2016 Claims.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried

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

Roll Call: Ayes: All Motion Carried


City Clerk Sliva reported that the Splash Pad for Ashland committee has reached their fundraising goal.

Mayor Grauerholz reported that new lights are being installed in the Ashland Historical Museum; that staff attended Linda Blake's funeral and a Mayoral Proclamation was made for her contribution to the City with her work at Keno Kove; and that the Art Walk will be held Saturday night.

Discussion was held regarding the new parking lots and the grade of the sidewalk by the new Silver Street lot.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by DeVries to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 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 November 17, 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.