

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
May 19, 2015; 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Invocation was given by Brent Montgomery and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of North Platte, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 211 West 3rd Street. Present were Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. Baker was absent. Mayor Dwight Livingston presided and City Clerk Angela Gilbert recorded the proceedings.

Mayor Livingston stated that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act of Nebraska is posted on the wall at the back of the Council Chambers.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places in the City as follows: North Platte Public Library, Lincoln County Courthouse, City Hall, the designated method for giving notice (certificate of posting), being attached to these minutes. Proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Lee moved and Carman seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approve minutes of May 5, 2015.
2. Place on file ML&W reports for April 2015.
3. Place on file Treasurer's report for April 2015.
4. Approve application by Sculley, LLC dba Sculley's Shooters for a Special Designated License on June 13, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at D&N Event Center, 501 East Walker Road for a Beer Garden.
5. Approve Mayor's re-appointment of Deloyt Young to the Cody Scout Commission.
6. Accept and receive Certificate of Completion for Street Improvement District No. 295 (Highway 83 from Philip Avenue to First Street on both Dewey and Jeffers Streets) and accept said improvements.

Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

ITEM #7

Lee moved and Petersen seconded the motion to approve request

QUALITY  
GROWTH FUNDS  
TO CHAMBER/  
DEVCO FOR  
HOUSING PROJECT

from the North Platte Quality Growth Fund Citizens Review Committee to approve an application from the North Platte Area Chamber of Commerce and Development Corp. for a grant of up to \$172,000.00, which will be matched dollar for dollar by the applicant, to provide per unit incentives for area contractors and developers to build new single family and duplex housing units.

Dan Mauk, representing Quality Growth Fund Committee, gave a presentation titled "A Shot in the Arm", which is a housing program designed to give an \$8,000 incentive to home builders to build 43 homes/duplexes in the North Platte area by 2017. He said that the lack of housing hurts our ability to grow and large employers cannot hire new employees without more housing in the area. He told the Council that the 2009 recession damaged the housing market and left the community with a shortage.

Nancy Faulhaber, realtor with Coldwell Banker, told the Council there is a big shortage of homes and rentals in the community, especially mid-range priced homes. She said if we do not fulfill the housing need, people will choose not to move here.

Mel McNea, CEO of Great Plains Health, told the Council the hospital is having a hard time recruiting employees and could add several more positions if there was more available housing.

Clarine Eickhoff told the Council her husband is a builder and a member of the Homebuilders Association and they are in favor of the project. She said the housing shortage is a statewide problem, not just a local problem.

Ty Lucas, Chair of the Quality Growth Fund Committee, told the Council the committee chose the most modest amount of money to stimulate the project and 50% of the funds will come from Chamber/DEVCO funds and 50% of the funds will come from Quality Growth Funds.

Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Steinbeck. "NAY": Carman, Campbell. "ABSENT": Baker.  
Motion carried.

ITEM #8  
AMENDMENT TO  
CONDITIONAL USE  
PERMIT, 311 EAST  
7<sup>TH</sup> STREET

Mayor Livingston declared a Public hearing on recommendation by the City of North Platte Planning Commission for an application by Alan Erickson and Prairie Inet for an amendment to a Conditional Use Permit to replace an existing tower with a larger tower (55 foot) on property located at 311 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

Shawn Heberly, representing Prairie Inet, told the Council that the current tower is 20 feet and they would like to increase it to 50 feet in order to provide better service and expand their coverage. He said the tower will meet airport standards and still be lower than other towers in the area.

Lee moved and Carman seconded the motion to close the hearing. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

Lee moved and Carman seconded the motion to adopt the amendment to the Conditional Use Permit. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

ITEM #9  
FIRST NATIONAL  
BANK AS A  
DESIGNATED  
WARRANT LENDER

Lee moved and Carman seconded the motion to adopt Resolution providing for the designation of First National Bank – North Platte as a warrant lender; authorizing the execution and delivery of a warrant purchase agreement with such designated warrant lender and referring to and incorporating the terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 3874 relating to warrant financing. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

ITEM #10  
ISSUE WARRANTS  
TO NE DEPT. OF  
ROADS AND FIRST  
NATIONAL BANK

Lee moved and Carman seconded the motion to adopt Resolution approving claims and authorizing the issuance of warrants to Nebraska Department of Roads in the amount of \$185,639.14 and to First National Bank – North Platte in the amounts of \$121,096.55, \$14,107.97 and \$13,130.17 to pay approved claims and referring to and incorporating the terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 3874 relating to warrant financing passed and approved on May 21, 2013. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

ITEM #11  
CLAIMS

Lee moved and Carman seconded the motion to approve the Claims. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman, Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Lee moved and Petersen seconded the motion to adjourn. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Petersen, Pedersen, Lee, Carman,

Steinbeck, Campbell. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Baker. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

*Angela Gilbert*

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Angela Gilbert, City Clerk