

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 21, 2021; 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Invocation was given by Councilman Ed Rieker 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 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 211 West 3rd Street. Present were Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. Carman was absent. Mayor Brandon Kelliher presided and City Clerk Angela Gilbert recorded the proceedings.

Mayor Kelliher 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 and City Hall; the designated method for giving notice (Certificate of Posting) is attached to these Minutes. Proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Rieker moved and Nisley seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve Minutes of December 7 and 14, 2021.
2. Approve application by NebraskaLand Days Inc. for a Special Designated License on February 26, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at D&N Event Center, 501 East Walker Road for a Fundraiser.
3. Send application of CJ's Liquor & Tobacco, LLC dba Cornhusker Liquor & Tobacco for a Class D Liquor License (Beer, Wine & Distilled Spirits, Off Sale Only) located at 601 Rodeo Road to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission with no recommendation.
4. Approve Mayor Kelliher's ratification actions (votes) at the League Association of Risk Management (LARM) Annual Members' Meeting on September 22, 2021, including the election of the nominees to the LARM Board of Directors.
5. Authorize the Mayor to execute the purchase agreement for a 2022 Ford pickup from Bill Summer's Ford for the Water Department.
6. Authorize the Mayor to execute the purchase of one (1)

2022/2023 Braun, Chief XL Type 1 Ambulance, Ford Chassis for the Fire Department with North Central Emergency Vehicles in Lincoln, NE.

Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ITEM #7
STEVE REEVES AS
CHIEF OF POLICE

Garrick moved and Rieker seconded the motion to approve the appointment of Interim Chief of Police, Steve Reeves as Chief of Police for the City of North Platte beginning December 21, 2021. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

Mayor Kelliher administered the Oath of Office to Police Chief Steve Reeves.

ITEM #8
PRESENTATION ON
PUBLIC PURCHASE
AND SURPLUS

Tony Miller, Utility Office Manager, gave a presentation on the City's use of Public Purchase and Public Surplus. No action was taken.

ITEM #10
ORDINANCE 4078
ON 3RD READING

Mayor Kelliher instructed Ordinance No. 4078 realigning Council Wards as required by Nebraska State Statute §32-533 (2) to be read by title on its third reading. Rieker moved and Tryon seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4078 on its third reading. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ITEM #11
STOP SIGNS AT
PIONEER DR.
AND WEST A AND
PIONEER DR. AND
LAKEVIEW BLVD.

Volz moved and Rieker seconded the motion to approve the Resolution for the placement of Stop signs located southbound on Pioneer Drive and West A Street and westbound on Pioneer Drive and Lakeview Boulevard. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ITEM #12
AGREEMENT
WITH ADVANCED
INVESTMENTS, LLC

Rieker moved and Volz seconded the motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into the lease agreement with Advanced Investments, LLC and sign all necessary documents.

Bryan Frew, owner of the Hastings Sodbusters baseball team, which is part of the ten team Independence League, told the Council they are excited to expand the league and bring this family-friendly entertainment to North Platte. He stated that Bill Wood Field is the perfect place to get into this market. He

explained that the lease agreement with the City of North Platte is for use of the fields per day and there is a separate contract with Legion Baseball for use of the fields and equipment.

Justin Thompson, representing Legion Baseball, told the Council they are in support as this is a great opportunity for North Platte. He stated that it will help baseball and the City grow by bringing more people to our area.

Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ITEM #13
REMOVED FROM
THE AGENDA

Action on Ordinance No. 4079 regarding Parking Prohibited in Certain Places was removed from the Agenda.

ITEM #14
ELECT NISLEY
AS COUNCIL
PRESIDENT
FOR 2022

Lucas moved and Volz seconded the motion to elect James Nisley as Council President for 2022. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Rieker moved and Lucas seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

Mayor Kelliher restated the purpose of the Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Rieker withdrew his motion, with the consent of Lucas.

Volz moved and Garrick seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. for the purpose of strategy in regard to potential personnel matters. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

RETURN TO
REGULAR SESSION

Rieker moved and Volz seconded the motion to come out of Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 7:45 p.m. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ITEM #9
REVISED CITY OF
NORTH PLATTE
EMPLOYEE
HANDBOOK

Rieker moved and Garrick seconded the motion to approve the revised City of North Platte Employee Handbook to be effective January 1, 2022. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ITEM #15
CLAIMS

Rieker moved and Nisley seconded the motion approve the Claims. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Rieker moved and Nisley seconded the motion to adjourn. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. "ABSENT": Carman. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Angela Gilbert, City Clerk