

**Broken Bow City Council
Meeting Minutes
April 11th, 2017**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 11th, 2017. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as required by law by publication in the Custer County Chief on March 23, 2017. Availability of the agenda and related materials was communicated in the advanced notice to the Mayor and all members of the Council, as well as, shared with various media outlets. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Burt called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M., with the following Councilmembers present: Sonnichsen, Neth, Myers, and Holcomb. Absent: None. Following the pledge of allegiance, Mayor Burt announced the availability of the open meetings law.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Neth, to approve the consent agenda for April 11th, 2017. Said motion includes approval of Minutes of the March 28th Workshop, Minutes of the March 28th Council Meeting, Minutes of the April 4th Special Meeting, Bills to Date, and March Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Holcomb, Myers, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Aflac, insurance, 895.07, 146.75; Barco, light bars, 530.00; Beaver Bearing Co Albion, supplies 98.03; Broken Bow Airport Authority, interlocal payment 1,083.33; Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, incentive pay 505.00; Broken Bow Mun Utilities, pop machine starting cash, 17.00; Broken Bow Municipal Utilities, utilities, 6,646.48; Capital One Bank, website, supplies, 96.15; Carquest of Broken Bow, supplies, 4.69; Century Link, telephone, 460.22; Chemsearch, ROW treatment, 529.50; City Flex Benefit Plan, flex plan 130.21; City of Broken Bow – Health Insurance, insurance, 3,599.56; City of Broken Bow Pension Fund, pension, 1,762.06, 1,898.17, 6,148.88; Custer County Hiway Dept., culvert, 511.98; Custer County Treasurer., communications interlocal, 10,387.49; Custer Public Power, CD cell power, 88.18; Deb's Embroidery Shop, clothing, 440.97; EFTPS Online Payment, payroll, 1,853.58, 6,206.75, 7,925.56; EZ-Liner, parts, 967.86; Eakes Office Products, supplies, 7.79; Family Heritage, insurance, 56.00; Great Plains Communications, internet, 70.95; Hokanson Clan Helping Hands, cleaning, 450.00; Holcomb Pharmacy, supplies, 157.09; Inland Truck Parts, supplies, 670.43; Island Supply Welding Co., oxygen, 51.73; Laurie French, WSI course, 274.90; Lawson Products, supplies, 76.78; MainStreet Designs Inc, banners, 6,039.82; Master Cleaners, laundry, 96.76; Mead Lumber, supplies, 123.69; Michael Todd & Co, signs, 987.28; Mid Plains Community College, class, 208.00; Nebraska Child Support Payment Center, child support, 629.65; Omaha State Bank, HSA, 318.75; Penguin Management, dispatch, 1,668.00; Physio Control Inc., maintenance, 887.88; Plains Equipment Group, parts, 129.00; Platte Valley Communications, repairs, 117.75; Prachts Ace Hardware, supplies, 876.63; Pristine Cleaning, LLC, cleaning, 375.00; R. Mort Co, decals, 222.32; S & L Sanitary Service, trash, 49.30; Schaper and White Law Firm, legal, 4,322.50; Schmicks Market, supplies, 91.55; Shirts, Signs, Mugs & More, hats, 114.24; State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment, payroll, 2,200.22; Stephanie Wright, clerk school expenses, 110.76; US Bank Equipment Finance, copier lease, 303.97; Unitech, cleaner, 238.00; Verizon Wireless, cell phone, 314.32; Wenquist Inc., supplies, 318.42; Bi-Weekly Payroll, payroll, 44,905.41; Total Bills = 120,398.36.

Sarah Dowdy from the Insurance Center spoke about the possibility of making the alley on the east side of the square a one way alley so that they could add a drive up window. Security State Bank in Ansley owns that building and is looking to possibly put in a drive up window. The one way would preferably be from south to north. The neighbors have not been contacted so they will be contacted. Corey from Computers Plus commented that several businesses use this alley to load, and it could cause a traffic jam on highway 2. City Administrator Brent Clark has received one call opposed to the drive up because it is not a recessed area like other banks in town.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Holcomb, to authorize a cash match of \$2,750.00 for down payment assistance for home buyers in Broken Bow through Central Nebraska Housing and Economic Developers. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Neth, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to open a public hearing at 12:15 p.m. on Ordinance 1160, Loading Zone. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Neth, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. This ordinance is to remove the loading zone west of the alley at 811 South C Street and make two spots to the east of the alley a loading zone. City Attorney Jason White recommended changing the ordinance to read as current leasehold. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Myers, to close the public hearing at 12:18 p.m. on Ordinance 1160, Loading Zone. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Neth, Holcomb, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

After discussing the matter, Councilmember Myers introduced Ordinance No. 1160 entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA PROVIDING FOR PARKING REGULATIONS AROUND BLOCK TWENTY (20) OF ORIGINAL TOWN, OF BROKEN BOW, CUSTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA ON SOUTH C STREET" and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Councilmember Holcomb seconded the motion. The Mayor stated the motion and instructed the Clerk to call the roll. The Clerk called the roll and the following was the vote: Ayes: Sonnichsen, Neth, Myers, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three-fourths of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said Ordinance. Said Ordinance was then read by title and thereafter Councilmember Neth moved for final passage of the Ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Sonnichsen. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1158 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Motion carried. The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted and the Mayor in the presence of the Council signed and approved the Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to open a public hearing at 12:20 p.m. on Ordinance 1161, Alcohol Consumption on Public Property. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. City Administrator Brent Clark explained that the original ordinance for this was not in the ordinance book so this is just to make sure that we have a signed ordinance. Councilmember Sonnichsen thinks that some of the wording in the guidelines needs to be adjusted. City Attorney Jason White stated that there has to be an ordinance to allow alcohol on public property so that is why this ordinance was originally written. Joe Franssen from the Fire Department stated that he would like to see some changes in the wording of the policy also. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to close the public hearing at 12:35 p.m. on Ordinance 1161, Alcohol Consumption on Public Property. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Neth, Sonnichsen, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Sonnichsen, to table Ordinance 1161, Alcohol Consumption on Public Property. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to open a public hearing at 12:41 p.m. on the Osmond Lot Split at 43888 Paulsen Road. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. Jay Gormley from Nebraska Land Surveying explained that Osmonds built a new residence and would like to do a lot split to sell the old residence. The lot split is less than the 3 acres that is allowed, but this has gone through the Board of Adjustment and had that approved. Councilmember

Neth informed Mr. Osmond that he would not be able to do another lot split on this property. Mr. Osmond understands and is alright with that. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to close the public hearing at 12:44 p.m. on the Osmond Lot Split at 43888 Paulsen Road. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Neth, Sonnichsen, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve Resolution 2017-20. Said resolution approves the lot split at 43888 Paulsen Road. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve Resolution 2017-21. Said resolution approves payment #1 to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. in the amount of \$4,350.00 for work completed on Trails Master Plan. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Neth, Myers, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Holcomb, to approve the agreement with Environmental Direct, Inc. for asbestos removal services at the Library. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Myers, to approve the agreement with B2 Environmental for air clearance services at the Library. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Burt opened the floor for comments from the Mayor and Councilmembers concerning City Departments. There were no comments.

Mayor Burt opened the public comment section of the meeting for those in attendance. There were no comments.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to enter closed session at 1:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining. The City representatives that shall remain present during the closed session including the Mayor and City Council are City Attorney Jason White, City Administrator Brent Clark and City Clerk Stephanie Wright. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to exit out of closed session at 1:29 p.m. from the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to collective bargaining. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Neth, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Neth, to approve the IBEW union contract in its entirety. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Sonnichsen, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 1:31 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Myers, Holcomb, and Neth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Cecil Burt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie M. Wright, City Clerk