

**Broken Bow City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as required by law. 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 12:01 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 Neth, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve the consent agenda for January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Said motion includes approval of Minutes of the January 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, Minutes of the January 9<sup>th</sup> Joint Rural Fire Meeting, Bills to Date, and December Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Myers. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APWA \$190.00; ATCO \$324.00; Aflac \$920.23, \$146.75; American Red Cross \$360.00; Bennett Premium Lighting \$239.20; Bow Glass LLC \$340.00; Broken Bow Mun Utilities \$2,416.84; Cardmember Services \$223.10; Carquest of Broken Bow \$29.65; Century Link \$732.00; City Flex Benefit Plan \$130.21; City of Broken Bow – Health Insurance \$3,397.23; City of Broken Bow Pension Fund \$1,767.76, \$6,358.98; Custer County Chief \$278.21, \$1,000.00; Dollar General-Regions 410526 \$38.75; EFTPS Online Payment \$1,854.92, \$6,162.92; \$7,931.18; Family Heritage \$56.00; Fireguard \$464.34; Follett Scholl Solutions Inc \$510.00; Garrett Tires & Treads \$150.00; Gateway Motors Inc \$267.03; Grand Island Independent \$176.80; Great Plains Communications \$70.95; Hometown Leasing \$200.17; Ingram Library Services \$1,254.59; Island Supply Welding Co. \$33.26; Jeff Larson \$500.00; John Deere Financial \$14,309.22; K. Joan Birnie \$60.07; Kearney Hub \$182.00; Lance Oatman \$10.69; League of Municipalities \$3,000.00; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc \$150.05; Mead Lumber \$105.29; Midland Telecom \$364.72; Municipal Emergency Services \$727.11, \$635.06; Myers Construction Co \$2,280.00; Nebraska Child Support Payment Center \$460.00; Nebraska Dept of Revenue \$1,032.00, \$771.42; OCLC Inc. \$124.57; OSA/Computers Plus \$130.49, \$75.43; Omaha State Bank \$318.75; Plains Equipment Group \$57.16; Pracht's Ace Hardware \$405.64; Presto X Company \$44.80; Pristine Cleaning, LLC \$375.00; Province Plumbing \$130.62; Ranchland Ford \$1,147.09; S&L Sanitary Service \$49.30; Schmicks Market \$14.88; Secretary of State \$30.00; State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment \$2,225.85; Trotter Service \$150.00, \$78.00; US Bank Equipment Finance \$303.97; Wenquist Inc. \$408.47; Woods & Aitken LLP \$2,665.96; Bi-Weekly Payroll \$45,174.68; Total Bills = \$116,523.36.

Street Superintendent Monte Clark previewed the One and Six Year Plan. He explained the ten items on the Form 9 and will discuss it further at the public hearing at the next meeting.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to approve the following Board reappointment recommendations from Mayor Burt: Planning Commission (3 year term) – Matt Thomas and Duane Taylor, Park Board (3 year term) – Lindsay Divan and Sandy Bates, Board of Adjustment (3 year term) – Nicolle Bailey and Tom Eacker, Library Board (4 year term) – Kyle Petersen. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Neth, Myers, and Sonnichsen. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Myers, to approve the closure of South D Street from South 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue to South 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue for a street dance on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to open a public hearing at 12:22 p.m. regarding the Dunkel Lot Split at 1900 South J Street. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Myers, Neth, and Holcomb. Nays: none. Motion carried. Jay Gormley from Nebraska Land Surveying explained that Dave and Jackie Dunkel would like to split 10 acres from the 40 acres that they own. The purpose of the lot split is for mortgage purposes. There will be no ownership changes, and there is still public access to both parcels. The lot split comes with favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission. Moved by Myers, seconded by Sonnichsen, to close the public hearing at 12:24 p.m. regarding the Dunkel Lot Split. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Holcomb, Myers, and Sonnichsen. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Neth, to approve Resolution 2017-3. Said resolution approves the lot split for Dave and Jackie Dunkel at 1900 South J Street. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Neth, Sonnichsen, and Myers. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Holcomb, to approve Resolution 2017-4. Said resolution approves payment #4 to JEO Consulting Group Inc. in the amount of \$20,820.00 for work completed on the Broken Bow Library Design Services through December 30, 2016. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Neth, to approve Resolution 2017-5. Said resolution approves payment #23 to JEO Consulting Group Inc. in the amount of \$20,783.25 for work completed on the Broken Bow 2015 Downtown Improvements through January 6, 2017. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve Resolution 2017-6. Said resolution approves deeming the 27 old Christmas lights as surplus property. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Myers, Holcomb, and Neth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve Resolution 2017-7. Said resolution approves the increase in rental fees for the municipal auditorium. The new fees will be \$25.00 for kitchen use, \$25.00 for school/government related functions and non-profit organizations, \$150.00 for small groups, \$250.00 for large activities, and \$75.00 for use of the scissor lift. Groups will now be responsible for setting up the auditorium, but the City will take down the tables and chairs. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Holcomb, Myers, and Sonnichsen. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve changing the date of the last meeting in February. The date will be decided at the February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve the appointment of Neal Neth as a representative to the Mutual Finance Organization (MFO). Mayor Burt recommended Neal Neth to be the representative on the MFO. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, and Sonnichsen. Nays: none. Abstain: Neth. 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. Mona Weatherly from the Custer County Chief asked if the possible fire hall was no longer going to be located at the Elks building. Mayor Burt stated that all options are being explored and no decisions have been made.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to enter closed session at 12:34 p.m. for the purpose of discussing potential litigation. The City representatives that shall remain present during the closed session including the Mayor and City Council are City Attorney Jason White and City Clerk Stephanie Wright. The Mayor stated the motion. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to exit out of closed session at 1:13 p.m. from the purpose of discussing potential litigation. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Neth, and Sonnichsen. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 1:14 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Myers, Holcomb, and Neth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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Cecil Burt, Mayor

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Stephanie M. Wright, City Clerk