

**Broken Bow City Council
Meeting Minutes
March 28th, 2017**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 28th, 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 12:02 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 Holcomb, to approve the consent agenda for March 28th, 2017. Said motion includes approval of Minutes of the March 14th Council Meeting and Bills to Date. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Neth, Holcomb, Myers, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Aflac, insurance, \$895.07, \$146.75, \$287.82; Black Hills Energy, utilities-gas \$1,705.79; Brent Clark, mileage reimbursement \$496.46; Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, incentive pay \$560.00; Card Services, supplies, \$367.80; Cardmember Services, workshops/conferences, \$323.50; Central Hydraulic Systems, snow plow blades, \$328.00; Central I.T., LLC, computer repairs, \$41.00; Century Link, telephone, \$85.49; City Flex Benefit Plan, flex plan \$130.21, \$200.00; City of Broken Bow – Health Insurance, insurance, \$22,646.48, \$3,599.56; City of Broken Bow Pension Fund, pension, \$1,898.17, \$6,262.54; Custer County Historical Society, membership, \$50.00; Custer County Hiway Dept., culvert, \$243.80; EFTPS Online Payment, payroll, \$1,908.22, \$6,540.58, \$8,159.62, \$4.76, \$20.32; EZ IT Solutions, tablet, \$115.48; Eakes Office Products, copies, \$135.76; Family Heritage, insurance, \$56.00; Holcomb Pharmacy, pulse oximeter, \$36.89; Hometown Leasing, copier lease, \$200.17; Ingram Library Services, materials, \$822.22; K. Joan Birnie, reimbursement book purch, \$58.51; Markham Construction, paving, \$1,296.00; Marriott Cornhusker Hotel, League Conference, \$1,744.00; Matheson Tri-Gas Inc, argon & oxygen, \$38.56; Mayo Clinic Health Letter, subscription, \$59.00; Mead Lumber, supplies, \$1,513.69; Myers Construction Co, snow removal, \$2,493.75; Nebraska Child Support Payment Center, child support, \$629.65; OCLC Inc., subscription, \$124.57; OSA/Computers Plus, supplies, \$56.62; Omaha State Bank, HAS, \$318.75; People Magazine, subscription, \$89.00; Presto X Company, service, \$44.80; Pristine Cleaning, LLC, cleaning, \$375.00; Productivity Plus Account, painter parts, \$10.50; Redbook, subscription, \$8.00; Shirts, Signs, Mugs & More, plaque, \$8.00; Sports Videos, videos, \$571.00; State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment, payroll, \$2,308.50; Steve Scott, postage, \$33.11; The Angela Foundation Inc., library rent, \$600.00, \$600.00; The Atlantic, subscription, \$45.95; The Bike Shed, bike repairs, \$76.99; Vet Care, tags for helmets, \$24.08; Bi-Weekly Payroll, payroll, \$46,300.94; Total Bills = \$117,697.43.

A drawing was held for who would receive the honor of cutting off Council President Rod Sonnichsen's ponytail for the Library fundraiser that raised \$3,250.00. Rod drew Laura Hendricks' name.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Myers, to establish a loading/unloading zone at 811 South C Street for the two stalls east of the alley, effective until leasehold interest is terminated. This will be an Ordinance on the next agenda. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, and Neth. Nays: Sonnichsen. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Neth, to approve the annual audit report for the year ending September 30, 2016 as presented by Jeff Oeltjen from Dana F. Cole and Company. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Neth, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to approve blocking off eight parking spaces on South D Street between South 8th Avenue and South 9th Avenue on August 4th, 5th, and 6th, 2017. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to approve the appointment of Jacob Holcomb and Chris Myers to the Fire Station Building Committee. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to open a public hearing at 12:43 p.m. on Handi-bus Operating Assistance. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. City Clerk Stephanie Wright explained that the Handi-bus gets some federal funding for the operation of the Handi-bus and the application has to be completed yearly. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to close the public hearing at 12:44 p.m. on Handi-bus Operating Assistance. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Neth, Sonnichsen, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to approve Resolution 2017-16. Said resolution approves the application for assistance with the Handi-bus. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Myers, to approve Resolution 2017-17. Said resolution approves payment #7 to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. in the amount of \$4,108.50 for work completed on the Library Design Services through March 3, 2017. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Neth, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve Resolution 2017-18. Said resolution approves payment #12 to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. in the amount of \$4,460.00 for work completed on 5th Ave – Hwy 2 to Memorial through March 10, 2017. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Neth, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Abstain: Myers. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to approve Resolution 2017-19. Said resolution approves payment #25 to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. in the amount of \$2,243.00 for work completed on the 2015 Downtown Improvements through March 10, 2017. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Abstain: Myers. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve amendment in the amount not to exceed \$23,750 for additional engineer work on South B Street Design with JEO Consulting Group, Inc. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Neth, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Abstain: Myers. Motion carried.

Moved by Neth, seconded by Holcomb, to approve a lump sum amount of \$1,700 to JEO Consulting Group, Inc. for guidance during the geotechnical survey on South B Street. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Neth. Nays: None. Abstain: Myers. 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. City Administrator Brent Clark announced that the Girl Scouts are holding a 10 year celebration of the fire on

the south side of the square on Saturday, April 1, 2017. Library Directory Joan Birnie announced that the groundbreaking at the library is at 3:00 p.m. today.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to enter closed session at 1:12 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a potential land acquisition. The City representatives that shall remain present during the closed session including the Mayor and City Council are City Administrator Brent Clark, City Clerk Stephanie Wright, Bill Hendricks, and Jim Coleman. 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 1:59 p.m. from the purpose of discussing a potential land acquisition. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Neth, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to enter closed session at 2:00 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 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 Myers, to exit out of closed session at 2:23 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 Sonnichsen, seconded by Neth, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 2:24 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