

**Broken Bow City Council
Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2019**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at the Broken Bow Library. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as required by publication in the Custer County Chief on October 3, 2019. 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 Jonathon Berghorst called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., with the following Councilmembers present: Sonnichsen, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Absent: None. Mayor Berghorst announced the availability of the open meetings law, followed by the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Berghorst read the format for submitting requests for future agenda items.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Sonnichsen, to approve the consent agenda for October 8, 2019. Said motion includes approval of Minutes of the Minutes of the September 24, 2019 Council Meeting and Bills to Date. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Miller, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Aflac, \$762.44, \$259.78; Black Hills Energy, utilities, \$189.23; Broken Bow Airport Authority, monthly payment, \$1,083.33; Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, ambulance incentive, \$1,205.00; Broken Bow Municipal Utilities, \$4,622.19; Capitol One Bank, supplies, \$254.14; Card Services, supplies, \$76.37, \$224.51; City Flex Benefit Plan, \$116.04; City of Broken Bow – Health Insurance, \$28,963.56, \$3,798.69; City of Broken Bow Pension Fund, pension, \$2,139.57, \$6,747.82, \$1,407.78; Colonial Research Chem Corp, ground sterilant, \$3,394.88; Culligan Water Conditioning, salt, \$18.00; Custer County Chief, subscription, \$35.00; Custer County Treasurer, communications interlocal payment, \$11,801.52; Custer Public Power, CD Cell Power, \$52.03; Dave Dunkel, boot allowance, \$72.75; Deere Credit Inc., mower lease, \$216.51; EFTPS Online Payment, payroll, \$2,037.90, \$6,002.19, \$8,713.36; Emblem Enterprises, patches, \$296.19; Family Heritage, \$56.00; Good Samaritan Hospital, EMS Classes, \$1,500.00; Heartland Clerk's Association, membership, \$10.00; Holcomb Mechanical LLC, compressor repair, \$1,969.27; Hometown Leasing, copier lease, \$159.18; Kirkpatrick Cleaning Solutions, supplies, \$117.01; Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker, hotel, \$218.00; Med Tech Resource, supplies, \$23.59; Melham Medical Center, DUI ER visit, \$160.00; Monte Clark, lunch, \$74.51; OSA/Computers Plus, supplies, \$25.00; Omaha State Bank, HSA, \$150.00; Plains Equipment Group, mower repairs, \$8,873.00; Pristine Cleaning, LLC, cleaning, \$375.00; Register of Deeds, filing fees, \$26.00; Sara J. Hulinsky, cleaning service, \$1,192.00; Schaper and White Law Firm, legal fees, \$1,954.16; State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment, payroll, \$2,626.34; Stephanie Wright, travel expenses, \$262.00; universal Insurance, insurance, \$8,637.00, \$153,690.16; Verizon Wireless, telephone, \$280.07; Viaero Wireless, telephone, \$103.95; Village Uniform, rugs, \$125.75; Bi-Weekly Payroll, \$50,574.35; Total Bills = \$317,673.12.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to approve filling the position of Park Foreman. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Holcomb, Miller, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Miller, to open a public hearing at 6:05 pm regarding Ordinance 1212, No Parking on East Side of South 19th Avenue. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. Fire & Rescue Coordinator Andy Holland and EMT Captain Shane Fiorelli spoke about the difficulties of driving on South 19th Avenue when there are vehicles on both sides of the street. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to close the public hearing at 6:07 pm regarding Ordinance 1212, No Parking on East Side of South 19th Avenue. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Miller, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

After discussing the matter, Councilmember Miller introduced Ordinance No. 1212 entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING THAT PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH 19th AVENUE BETWEEN SOUTH E STREET AND SOUTH G STREET, IN THE CITY OF BROKEN BOW, CUSTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA, IS PROHIBITED, PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE" and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Councilmember Sonnichsen 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: Myers, Miller, Sonnichsen, 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 Holcomb moved for final passage of the Ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Miller. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1212 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. 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 6:09 pm regarding Ordinance 1213, Yield Sign at Dollar General Parking Lot. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. Fire & Rescue Coordinator Andy Holland spoke about people not looking to see if an emergency vehicle is coming when they are leaving Dollar General and pulling out in front of them. Brad Quackenbush feels that a yield sign doesn't stop anyone. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to close the public hearing at 6:13 pm regarding Ordinance 1213, Yield Sign at Dollar General. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Miller, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

After discussing the matter, Councilmember Holcomb introduced Ordinance No. 1213 entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A YIELD SIGN AT THE DOLLAR GENERAL PARKING LOT ON SOUTH 19TH AVENUE" and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Councilmember Miller 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, Miller, Holcomb, and Myers. 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 Sonnichsen moved for final passage of the Ordinance with the amendment of a STOP sign instead of a YIELD sign, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Miller. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1213 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Holcomb, Sonnichsen, Myers, and Miller. 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 Miller, to open a public hearing at 6:15 pm regarding Ordinance 1214, Electric Rates. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Sonnichsen, Holcomb, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried. Electric Superintendent Jeremy Tarr explained that the increase will only affect the large power customers. The disconnect fee will also increase from \$60 to \$75. Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to close the public hearing at 6:17 pm regarding Ordinance 1214, Electric Rates. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Miller, and Sonnichsen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to not waive the three readings of Ordinance 1214, Electric Rates. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Sonnichsen, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

City Clerk Stephanie Wright read the first reading of Ordinance 1214, Electric Rates.

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

Moved by Sonnichsen, seconded by Holcomb, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 6:22 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Sonnichsen, Myers, Holcomb, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Jonathon Berghorst, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie M. Wright, City Clerk

