

**Broken Bow City Council
Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2020**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 in the Broken Bow Municipal Auditorium. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as required by publication in the Custer County Chief on November 5, 2020. 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 Rod Sonnichsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., with the following Councilmembers present: Jacob Holcomb, David Schmidt, Chris Myers, and Larry Miller. Absent: None. Councilman Schmidt was present via Zoom per Executive Order No. 20-34. Mayor Sonnichsen announced the availability of the open meetings law, followed by recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to approve the consent agenda for November 10, 2020. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of the October 27, 2020 Council Meeting and Bills to Date. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Schmidt, Miller, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AKRS Equipment, oil & mower blades, \$207.49; AKRS Equipment Solutions, lawn tractor-Street Department, \$27,385.97; Aflac, \$400.11; Ansley Lumber and Supply, Masonite siding \$38.97; Axon Enterprise Inc., tasers, docking station, and batteries, \$3,420.00; Bound Tree Medical, EMS Supplies, \$295.52; Broken Bow Airport Authority, monthly payment, \$1,083.33; Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, ambulance incentive, \$1,385.00; Broken Bow Mun Utilities, fuel, \$2,165.72; Broken Bow Municipal Utilities, \$6,096.94; Broken Bow Rural Fire Board, Gas & BBMU, Great Plains, \$375.87; Capital One, POAN Conf. meals, website fee, boots, \$156.22; Card Services, Training, Floor scrubber, \$2,106.37; Century Link, telephone, \$623.03; City Flex Benefit Plan, \$166.04; City of Broken Bow-Health Insurance, \$3,028.52, \$27,742.06; City of Broken Bow Pension, \$1,630.84, \$6,654.76, \$1,396.70; Colonial Insurance, insurance, \$383.22, \$194.80; Consolidated Management Co., NLETC, \$152.74; Custer County Chief, subscription, \$78.00; Custer County Treasurer, communications interlocal payment, \$12,120.58; Dan Knoell, moving expenses, \$1,000.00; Danko Emergency Equipment Co, EMS Tag, \$16.59; Deb's Embroidery, hats & logos, \$132.00; EFTPS Online Payment, \$1,972.10, \$6,239.78, \$8,432.28; Eakes Office Products, supplies & copies, \$1,535.40; Fairfield Inn & Suites-Kearney, PAN conference, \$629.70; Family Heritage, \$25.50; Garrett Tires & Treads, oil change, \$77.18; Great Plains Communications, internet, \$70.95; Hometown Leasing, copier lease, \$159.18; Insurance Aid Services, fees, \$1,726.20; Island Supply Welding Co, oxygen, \$116.04; JM Web Design, email hosting, \$33.00; John Deere Financial, mower lease, \$216.51; Kirkpatrick Cleaning Solutions, supplies, \$68.90; Mead Lumber, sonotube, \$149.80, NMC Exchange LLC, wheel loader, \$162,125.00; Omaha State Bank, HSA, \$75.00; Overnite Auto, battery, \$145.95; Prachts Ace Hardware, supplies, \$33.57; Presto X Company, pest service, \$111.28; Pristine Cleaning LLC, cleaning service, \$375.00; S & L Sanitary Service, \$49.30; Sara Hulinsky, cleaning service, \$1,192.00; Schaper and White Law Firm, legal fees, \$2,627.09; State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment, \$2,682.85; The Garden Center, mulch, \$1,158.00; Universal Insurance, WC audit; \$16,428.00; Verizon Wireless, police internet, \$280.07; Village Uniform, rugs, \$100.60; Biweekly Payroll, \$48,689.54; Total Bills = \$357,963.16

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to approve an extension of 30 days for the 139 South 14th Avenue nuisance. Mr. Barker will work with Police Chief Steve Scott to make sure everything is in compliance. Roll Call Vote: Voting aye: Miller, Holcomb, Schmidt, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Miller, to approve four (4) reserved parking stalls for students and Indian Nation. The parking stalls will be reserved during the school year from 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Schmidt, Myers, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Schmidt, to approve City Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Wright, Mayor Rod Sonnichsen, Council President Jacob Holcomb, and Deputy Clerk Kandi Peters as authorized signers for all city accounts held at Bruning Bank and Nebraska State Bank. Also authorizing Police Chief Steven Scott as an authorized signer for accounts ending 384, 999, 095 at Nebraska State Bank, and Utility Clerk Katie Hogg as an authorized signer for accounts ending 831, 631, 173, and 179 at Nebraska State Bank. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Holcomb, to approve moving forward to obtain a contract with HOA for the SCADA system. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Schmidt, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to approve the Handibus Passenger Handbook. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Schmidt, Myers, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Holcomb, to approve Resolution 2020-15. Said resolution approves the spending limit for appreciation plaques of \$40.00 per plaque. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to approve Resolution 2020-16. Said resolution approves the Handibus use of the Park Building for parking and the Municipal Building for office space without paying rent. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Holcomb, Schmidt, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to open a public hearing at 6:19 pm regarding Ordinance 1235, No Parking Space in front of the Driver's License Examiner Office. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Miller, Myers, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried. Discussion was held. Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to close a public hearing at 6:20 pm regarding Ordinance 1235, No Parking Space in front of the Driver's License Examiner Office. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

After discussing the matter, Councilmember Myers introduced Ordinance No. 1235 entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PLACING OF A DESIGNATED "NO PARKING" SPACE, IN THE CITY OF BROKEN BOW, CUSTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA, 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 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: Miller, Holcomb, Schmidt, 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 Holcomb moved for final passage of the Ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Schmidt. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1235 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried. The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Ordinance adopted.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to enter closed session at 6:21 pm for a strategy session with respect to collective bargaining, to include the Mayor and City Council, City Attorney Jason White, City Administrator Dan Knoell, City Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Wright, Deputy Clerk Kandi Peters, and Electric Foreman Casey Flynn. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Miller, Myers, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to exit closed session at 6:38 pm from the purpose of a strategy session regarding collective bargaining. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

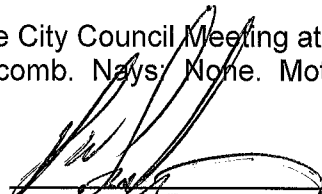
Moved by Myers, seconded by Miller, to enter closed session at 6:39 pm for a strategy session with respect to collective bargaining, to include the Mayor and City Council, City Attorney Jason White, City Administrator Dan Knoell, City Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Wright, and Deputy Clerk Kandi Peters. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Miller, Myers, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Myers, seconded by Holcomb, to exit closed session at 6:50 pm from the purpose of a strategy session regarding collective bargaining. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

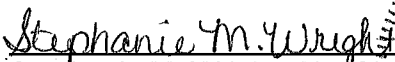
Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to enter closed session at 6:51 pm to protect the public interest with a strategy session for litigation which is imminent as evidenced by communication of a claim to the public body, to include the Mayor and City Council, City Attorney Jason White, City Administrator Dan Knoell, City Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Wright, and Deputy Clerk Kandi Peters. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Miller, Myers, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to exit closed session at 6:54 pm from the purpose of protecting the public with a strategy session for litigation which is imminent as evidenced by communication of a claim to the public body. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Myers, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 6:55 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.


Rod Sornichsen, Mayor

ATTEST:


Stephanie M. Wright, City Clerk

