Broken Bow City Council Meeting Minutes December 8, 2020

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 8, 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 December 3, 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. 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 Schmidt, to approve the consent agenda for December 8, 2020. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of the November 24, 2020 Council Meeting, Bills to Date, and Approval of Broken Bow Volunteer Fire Department Roster. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Miller, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Aflac, \$400.11; American Legal Publishing, Model Ordinances, \$399.00; Black Hills Energy, Utilities-Gas, \$1,096.46; Bound Tree Medical, AED Pads, \$50.99; Broken Bow Airport Authority, Monthly Payment, \$1,083.33; Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce, Ambulance Incentive, \$990.00; Broken Bow Municipal Utilities, Utilities, \$9,023.87; Broken Bow Postmaster, PO Box Fee. \$150.00; Broken Bow Rural Fire Board, Utilities, \$505.49; Card Services, Supplies, \$72.87; \$214.82; City Flex Benefit Plan, \$166.04; City of Broken Bow, Health Insurance, \$3,028.52; \$26,964.53; City of Broken Bow Pension Fund, Retirement-Loan, \$1,366.79, Retirement-New, \$6,278.10; Liability-BBHA, \$1,416.08; Colonial Insurance, \$383.22; \$194.80; Consolidated Management Co., Meals NLETC, \$51.94; Custer County Treasurer, Communications Interlocal. \$12,120.58; Custer Public Power, CD Cell Power, \$30.49; Danko Emergency Equipment Co., Safety Vests, \$195.15; EFTPS Online Payment, \$1,932.94; \$5,713.07; \$8,264.98; Family Heritage. \$25.50; Hometown Leasing, Copier Lease, \$159.18; Insurance Aid Services, EMS Billing \$1.646.40; Island Supply Company, Oxygen, \$42.68; JEO, Memorial Drive, \$745.00; Mid Plains Community College, CPR Class, \$76.00; Omaha State Bank, HSA, \$75.00; OpticsPlanet, Inc., Wearable Safety Lights, \$345.80; Overnite Auto, Battery, \$150.95; Police Chief Assn of Nebraska. Membership Dues, \$30.00; Police Officers Assn of Nebr, POAN Membership, \$90.00; Presto X Company, Pest Service, \$111.28; Prime Plumbing, Sewer Repairs, \$147.50; Pristine Cleaning, LLC Cleaning Service, \$325.00; Register of Deeds, Assessment Filing Fees, \$28.00; Ron Ripp Construction, Garage Door Repair, \$168.75; S & L Sanitary Service, Trash @ Square, \$49.30; Sandry Fire Supply LLC, Helmets \$650.75; Sara J. Hulinsky, Cleaning Service, \$1,192.00; Schaper and White law Firm, Legal Fees, \$4,447.91; State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment. \$2,565.89; V-Bar Sales & Service, Truck Repair, \$71.88; Verizon Wireless, \$141.38; Village Uniform, rugs, \$125.75; Total Bills = \$95,506.07.

Mayor Sonnichsen adjourned Sine Die.

City Attorney Jason White administrated the Oath of Office to Councilman Jacob Holcomb - West Ward and Councilman Christopher Myers - East Ward.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Miller, to elect Jacob Holcomb as the Council President. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Miller, Myers, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to appoint JEO Consulting Group, Inc. as the City Engineer for 2021. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Miller, Holcomb, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Schmidt, to appoint Steven Parr from JEO Consulting Group, Inc., License S-859, Class A, as the Street Superintendent form January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Myers, Holcomb, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to approve Resolution 2020-20. Said resolution approves the signing of the year-end certification of City Street Superintendent form by the Mayor. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Schmidt, Myers, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to approve opening bids for sludge removal at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Schmidt, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to open a public hearing at 6:10 p.m. regarding the conditional use permit application from Viaero Wireless. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Myers, Schmidt, Miller, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried. Site Acquistion Specialist Mike Harms with Viaero Wireless was representing Industrial Tower West. Harms explained the plan for removing the existing the 60-foot pole at 1451 N. 17th Avenue and replacing it with a 100-foot galvanized pole. The new pole would be placed around 40-50 feet south of the current pole and would be self-supporting. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) does not require the tower to be lighted if it is less than 200 feet tall. As of now there are no plans to add any lights with it being in a residential area. City Administrator Dan Knoell informed the Council that the Planning Commission had approved this plan at their meeting on December 2, 2020. Knoell stated that the permit has also met all zoning requirements. Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to close the public hearing at 6:14 p.m. regarding the conditional use permit application from Viaero Wireless. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Myers, Schmidt, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Holcomb, to approve the conditional permit application from Viaero Wireless, to remove and replace the existing 60-foot pole located at 1451 N. 17th Avenue. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Holcomb, Schmidt, and Myers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Chief Steve Scott, Library Director Megan Svoboda, and Streets/Parks Overseer Darren Marten presented updates for their departments.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Myers, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 6:21 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Schmidt, Myers, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kandi K. Peters, Deputy City Clerk

Rod Sonnichsen, Mayor