

**Broken Bow City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
October 12, 2021**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, in the Broken Bow Public Library. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof as required by publication in the Custer County Chief on October 7, 2021. 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, and Larry Miller. Absent: Chris Myers. Mayor Sonnichsen announced the availability of the open meetings law, followed by reciting 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 October 12, 2021. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of the September 28, 2021, Council Meeting, and Bills as Posted. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Schmidt, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AKRS EQUIPMENT, \$8.51; AFLAC, \$ 276.39; \$110.64; BOUND TREE MEDICAL, \$495.33; BROKEN BOW AIRPORT AUTHORITY, \$1,083.33; BROKEN BOW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, \$1,645.00; BROKEN BOW MUN UTILITIES, \$3,947.62; BROKEN BOW MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, \$7,812.28; CENTRAL NE MEDICAL CLINIC, \$55.00; CITY FLEX BENEFIT PLAN, \$135.00; CITY OF BROKEN BOW, HEALTH INSURANCE, \$24,359.26; CITY OF BROKEN BOW PENSION FUND, \$5,958.84; COLONIAL INSURANCE, \$370.51; \$140.92; CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF, \$544.30; CUSTER COUNTY TREASURER, \$12,916.67; CUSTER PUBLIC POWER, \$43.23; CUSTER TRANSFER STATION, \$37.60; EFTPS ONLINE PAYMENT, \$2,221.02; \$6,301.79; \$9,496.82; EMC INSURANCE, \$713.00; EZ IT SOLUTIONS, \$18,941.67; EAKES OFFICE PRODUCTS, \$421.98; FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES-KEARNEY, \$659.70; FAMILY HERITAGE, \$25.50; FRONTIER FAMILY PHARMACY, \$11.04; GATEWAY MOTORS INC, \$161.21; GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS, \$70.95; HILTON OMAHA - \$308.00; HOMETOWN LEASING, \$159.18; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO, \$5.40; JEO - \$12,575.00; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL, \$216.51; JULIE TOLINE, \$100.00; MELHAM MEDICAL CENTER, \$390.00; MIDWEST ALARM SERVICES, \$146.00; NKC TIRE, \$ 684.12; NEBRASKA MUN CLERKS ASSOCIATION, \$70.00; PAPER TIGER SHREDDING, \$40.00; POLICE OFFICERS ASSN OF NEBR, \$105.00; POSITIVE CONCEPTS, \$175.14; PRACHTS ACE HARDWARE, \$238.14; PRISTINE CLEANING, LLC, \$375.00; R&S RADIATOR, \$255.22; S&L SANITARY SERVICE, \$49.30; SCHAPER AND WHITE LAW FIRM, \$1,616.66; STAABS APPLIANCE, \$169.95; STATE INCOME TAX WH NE ONLINE PAYMENT, \$2,879.45; TX CHILD SUPPORT SDU, \$69.23; TROTTER SERVICE, \$190.00; UNIVERSAL INSURANCE, \$170,899.42; VERIZON WIRELESS, \$280.07; VILLAGE UNIFORM, \$103.64; WENQUIST INC, \$675.27; BI-WEEKLY PAYROLL \$58,246.88; TOTAL - \$349,987.69

( Rotary Members Deb McCaslin and Michelle Nelson presented two 10'X15' American Flags to Mayor Sonnichsen to be flown at the Broken Bow Public Library. McCaslin said the flags were purchased with the help of the Give4CusterCounty program and donations. McCaslin gave a special thank you to Mayor Rod Sonnichsen and his wife Deb Sonnichsen. McCaslin said this wouldn't have been possible without the Sonnichsen's personal contribution.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller to open a public hearing regarding the nuisance property located at 139 South 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 6:02 pm. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Schmidt, Holcomb, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried. City Administrator Dan Knoell informed the Council that Knoell, Sergeant Shane Fiorelli, and Councilmember David Schmidt met at the nuisance property earlier today to see the progress. Knoell said property owner Greg Barker has met the stipulations at this time of making the property safer. Knoell recommended the Council allow one last extension be made with a contract signed by the property owner, City Attorney Jason White, and City Administrator Knoell. Knoell recommended the full project completion date to be June 1, 2022. Property owner Barker addressed the Council and gave a list of everything that he has completed. He explained he has completed the part that was damaged in the fire and is getting started on the addition. Barker requested the Council to allow him to get a new building permit with a one-year extension. He stated without the year extension he will be unable to complete the house the way he wants. Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt to close the public hearing at 6:20 pm. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Holcomb, Miller, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

( Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt to approve a course of action to be taken on the nuisance property located at 139 South 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Council is allowing one final extension on this nuisance property. Property owner Greg Barker was given a deadline of June 1, 2022, for the full project completion. The Council is also requiring a signed document between the City and property owner stating the requirements for the full completion of the nuisance property located at 139 South 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Schmidt, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motioned carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to approve Resolution 2021-17. Said resolution approves the use of KENO Funds to pay for flags and yard signs for the One Box Park in the amount of \$729.09. Roll Call vote: Miller, Schmidt, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Holcomb, to approve Resolution 2021-18. Said resolution approves the sale of real property located at College Estates Block 1 Lot 2 Broken Bow City valued at over \$5,000. Roll Call vote: Holcomb, Schmidt, and Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to enter closed session at 6:26 pm for a strategy session with respect to collective bargaining, to include the Mayor and City Council, and City Attorney Jason White. Roll Call vote: Holcomb, Miller, and Schmidt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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Moved by Holcomb seconded by Schmidt, to exit closed session at 7:19 pm from the purpose of a strategy session regarding collective bargaining. Roll Call vote: Miller, Schmidt, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Miller, to enter closed session at 7:20 pm for a strategy session with respect to collective bargaining, to include the Mayor and City Council, and City Administrator Dan Knoell. Roll Call vote: Holcomb, Schmidt, Miller. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to exit closed session at 8:30 pm from the purpose of a strategy session regarding collective bargaining. Roll Call vote: Miller, Schmidt, Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holcomb, seconded by Schmidt, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 8:31 p.m. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Miller, Schmidt, and Holcomb. Nays: None. Motion carried.

  
Rod Sonnichsen, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Kandi K Peters, City Clerk