

**Broken Bow City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
May 23, 2023**

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 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 May 18, 2023. 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 pm, with the following Councilmembers present: David Baltz, Paul Holland, and Russ Smith. 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 Holland, seconded by Baltz to approve the consent agenda for May 23, 2023. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of May 9, 2023, Council Meeting, City Bills to Date, Utility Bills to Date, April Treasurer's Report, and Troy's Hot Rocket Fireworks LLC, Fireworks Application. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Holland, Baltz, and Smith. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Baltz, seconded by Smith to approve the absence of Councilmember Myers. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Baltz, Smith, and Holland. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AFLAC, PRE-TAX, \$319.22; AFLAC POST-TAX, \$70.02; AG LAND ATV, 4-WHEELER, \$256.16; ARROWSEED, GRASS SEED, \$435.00; BIRDS & BLOOMS, 2-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, \$20.00; BOUND TREE MEDICAL, AED PADS, \$762.96; CARD SERVICES, SUPPLIES, \$3,216.99; CENTURY LINK, \$1,003.54; CHRIS ANDERSON, KENNEL FOR SAM, \$141.11; CITY FLEX BENEFIT PLAN, SELECT FLEX-UNREIMBURSED M/D/V, \$25.00; CITY OF BROKEN BOW HEALTH INSURANCE, HEALTH INS, \$3,288.71; CITY OF BROKEN BOW PENSION FUND, RETIREMENT LOAN PAYMENT, \$1,683.61; 414H RETIREMENT, \$8,392.68; 457 RETIREMENT, \$518.94; COLONIAL INSURANCE, PRE-TAX, \$428.67; POST-TAX, \$118.72; CONSUMER REPORTS, YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, \$32.10; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, EARNINGS, \$419.31; CUSTER TITLE AND ABSTRACT, 4 TITLE SEARCHES, \$600.00; DETERDINGS, POOL CHEMICALS, \$13,270.34; EFTPS ONLINE PAYMENT, MEDICARE, \$2,487.88; FEDERAL, \$6,110.95; FICA, \$10,637.72; EAKES OFFICE PRODUCTS, \$617.31; EMBLEM ENTERPRISES, PATCHES, \$454.65; FAMILY HERITAGE, \$25.50; FEDERAL SIGNAL CORPORATION, EMERGENCY SIREN, \$17,791.30; GARRETT TIRES & TREADS, TIRE REPAIR, \$36.95; HISTORY NEBRASKA, YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, \$35.00; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES, MATERIALS, \$1,815.96; JEO, ENGINEERING FEES, \$11,212.30; KIRKPATRICK CLEANING SOLUTIONS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

CLEANING, \$2,171.93; MADISON NEELY, BOOTS, \$165.84; MEAD LUMBER, SUPPLIES, \$483.08; NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, 2 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, \$45.00; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER, CHILD SUPPORT NE, \$433.39; NEBRASKA PASTURE DOOR, EMBROIDERY ON SHIRTS, \$200.00; OBRIEN'S HARDWARE, MAINTAINER, \$6.98; PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS, ATENNAS, \$161.40; PRESTO X COMPANY, MONTHLY SERVICE, \$61.02; REAMS SPRINKLER SUPPLY, SPRINKLERS, \$535.46; S&L SANITARY SERVICE, TRASH AROUND THE SQUARE, \$54.30; SANDHILLS CUSTOM CREATIONS, LOGOS FOR CA SHIRTS, \$59.94; SARGENT PIPE CO, BROOM, \$150.00; SITE ONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY, HERBICIDES & INSECTICIDES, \$2,827.71; STATE INCOME TAX WH NE ONLINE PAYMENT, STATE, \$3,339.74; STEVE SCOTT, SUPPLIES, \$122.96; TCM INC, YEAR SUBSCRIPTION, \$15.00; TX CHILD SUPPORT SDU, CHILD SUPPORT TX, \$69.23; TROTTER SERVICE, FUEL, \$3,058.17; TROTTER'S WHOA & GO, FUEL, \$233.42; VAN DIEST SUPPLY CO, MOSQUITO AND WEED SPRAY, \$14,800.95; VERIZON WIRELESS, TELEPHONE, \$324.21; WOODS & AITKEN LLP, LEGAL FEES, \$1,956.45; BI-WEEKLY PAYROLL, \$62,265.49; TOTAL: \$179,770.24.

Police Captain Dan Hanson was recognized and appreciated for his 40 years of service with the City of Broken Bow Police Department. City Administrator David Schmidt expressed his sincere appreciation to Captain Hanson. Police Chief Steve Scott congratulated Hanson on his retirement that will be effective on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and presented him with a plaque for his 40 years of service. Hanson thanked the City and the public for everything, saying it has been a pleasure to serve.

City Administrator Schmidt presented Tom Griffith with a check in the amount of \$3,935 from the Public Alliance for Community Energy Choice Program to be given to the DYO Spirit Softball. Griffith stated that the money will be going towards the backstop renovation.

Moved by Holland, seconded by Smith, to approve the appointment of Jacob Holcomb as the City of Broken Bow Zoning Administrator. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Holland, Smith, and Baltz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Baltz, seconded by Holland, to approve the appointment of David Schmidt as the City of Broken Bow Zoning Co-Administrator. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Baltz, Holland, and Smith. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holland, seconded by Smith, to approve the appointments of Kelvin Kreitman and Josh Page to the Park Board for the terms ending February 2026. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Holland, Smith, and Baltz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Holland, seconded by Smith, to approve Mayor Rod Sonnichsen, City Administrator David Schmidt, City Clerk Kandi Peters, Deputy Clerk Jacob Holcomb, Treasurer Megan Linn, and Council President David Baltz as authorized signers for all City Accounts held at Bruning Bank, and Nebraska State Bank. Also approve authorizing Police Chief Steven Scott as an authorized signer for accounts ending 384 and 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: Holland, Smith, and Baltz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Baltz, seconded by Smith, to approve Mayor Rod Sonnichsen, City Administrator David Schmidt, and City Clerk Kandi Peters as authorized names on the safety deposit box at First Interstate Bank in Broken Bow, Nebraska. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Baltz, Smith, and Holland. Nays: None. Motion carried.

In the Mayor and Council comments the councilmembers and mayor congratulated Captain Hanson, thanking him for his service, and wishing him good luck with his retirement.

Moved by Holland, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 6:13 pm. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Holland, Smith, and Baltz. Nays: None. Motion carried.



Rodney W. Sonnichsen, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Kandi K. Peters, City Clerk