

Broken Bow City Council

Meeting Minutes September 10th, 2024

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 10th, 2024, in the Broken Bow Municipal Auditorium. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Custer County Chief, the designated method for giving notice.

Advance notice of the meeting, a copy of the agenda, and related council materials was given to the Mayor and all members of the City 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: Russ Smith, and Paul Holland. Absent: Luke Wassom and Chris Myers. Mayor Sonnichsen announced the availability of the Open Meetings Act, followed by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Smith, seconded by Holland to approve the consent agenda for September 10, 2024. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of the August 27, 2024, Budget Workshop, Minutes of the August 27, 2024, Council Meeting and Bills to Date. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Smith, and Holland. Nays: None. Motion carried.

AKRS Equipment-Parks \$65.18, Aflac \$458.39, \$157.00, \$67.02, Anderson Auto Tech \$538.73, Applied Connective Technologies \$187.50, Barco Products \$1,306.33, Bound Tree Medical \$1,335.54, Broken Bow Airport Authority \$1,083.33, Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce \$4,385.00, Broken Bow Municipal Utilities \$7,759.08, Broken Bow Rural Fire Board \$8,855.08, \$97,557.77, Capital One \$678.28, Card Services 4834 \$2,017.43, Card Services 0591 \$1,677.10, Card Services \$689.57, Card Services 0609 \$155.84, Carquest of Broken Bow \$185.31, Century Link \$88.76, Century Link \$130.01, Century Link \$307.77, Century Link \$98.75, City Flex Benefit Plan \$225.00, City of Broken Bow \$25.50, City of Broken Bow - Health Insurance \$3,661.81, City of Broken Bow Pension Fund \$2,324.80, \$9,806.24, \$1,112.93, Colonial Insurance \$423.92, \$329.52, \$546.08, Consolidated Management Co. \$282.95, Custer County Treasurer \$17,822.97, Custer Public Power \$51.47, EFTPS Online Payment \$3,125.48, \$8,035.08, \$13,364.16, EZ IT Solutions \$3,625.61, \$2,765.00, \$10.00, Eakes Office Products \$653.95, First Response Billing Associates, LLC \$2,137.96, Great Plains Communications \$183.52, \$131.05, \$99.11, HIGHSTREET INSURANCE & FINANCIALN SERV \$11,322.39, Hilti Inc \$1,408.39, Hometown Leasing \$73.57, Island Supply Welding Co. \$102.40, JEO \$3,303.75, John Deere Financial \$14,730.88, Kirkpatrick Cleaning Solutions \$1,466.24, LeeAnn Taylor \$140.39, MacQueen Equipment \$4,776.00, \$10,375.51, Matt Friend Truck Equipment, Inc. \$10,903.50, Nebraska Child Support Payment Center \$899.09, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center \$500.00, Paper Tiger Shredding \$45.00, Pentair Aquatic Eco Systems \$1,195.82, Power Solutions \$701.98, RT ACE, LLC \$3,552.97, \$366.90, \$405.53, RT Ace, \$970.96, S&L Sanitary Service \$58.30, Sandry Fire Supply LLC \$162.50, Sara J. Hulinsky

\$837.00, Schaper and White Law Firm \$3,000.00, Site One Landscape Supply \$12.37, State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment \$3,949.80, Statewide Collection LLC \$15.95, Steve Scott \$114.75, TSYS Merchant Solutions \$249.21, TX Child Support SDU \$410.23, Tracker Systems \$50.97, Tri-Cities Roofing & Sheet Metal LLC \$13,3540.00, Trotter Service \$10,024.68, Verizon Wireless \$248.97, \$129.59, \$320.08, Wenquist, Inc. \$16.98, Bi-Weekly Payroll (8/28/24) \$77,367.62 Total \$498,279.15

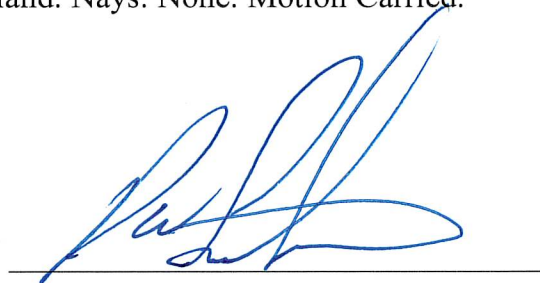
Moved by Smith, seconded by Holland, to excuse the absence of councilmembers Wassom and Myers. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Smith and Holland. Nays: None. Motion carried.

During public comments, Jeremy Shipe of KCNI/KBBN stated that he has fielded questions from the public regarding quorum and asked if someone could explain what constitutes quorum at the city council meetings. Mayor Sonnichsen explained that an Ordinance was passed previously by council that addressed the issue of quorum at city council meetings that allows our practices to align with state law regarding quorum. He further stated that it allows smaller communities with 4 member councils to meet the quorum standards when 2 members of council and the mayor are present.

City Attorney, Jason White, also explained that this legislative change allowed cities of the second class to be able to follow the state statute if they chose to and allows them to pay bills more efficiently because the mayor becomes part of the quorum if two councilmembers are absent. Jacob Holcomb added that this is all explained in Ordinance 1242, and it was passed in February of 2021.

During Mayor and Council Comments, Councilmember Holland reminded the public that two city council member positions coming open in November.

Moved by Smith, seconded by Holland, to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:06 PM. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Smith and Holland. Nays: None. Motion Carried.



Rodney W. Sonnichsen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Waterhouse, City Clerk

