

## Broken Bow City Council

### Meeting Minutes August 26, 2025

The Broken Bow City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, 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 were given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and 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, Travis Kleebe, Joe Wamsley, and Paul Holland. Absent: none. Also in attendance was City Administrator David Schmidt, City Attorney Jason White, City Clerk Jennifer Waterhouse, and City Treasurer LeeAnn Morgan. Mayor Sonnichsen announced the availability of the Open Meetings Act, followed by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moved by Wamsley, seconded by Holland to approve the consent agenda for August 26, 2025. Said motion includes approval of the Minutes of the August 12, 2025, Council Meeting, Minutes of the August 14, 2025, Budget Workshop Meeting, Bills to Date, and July 2025 Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Voting aye: Smith, Kleebe, Wamsley, and Holland. Nays: None. Motion carried.

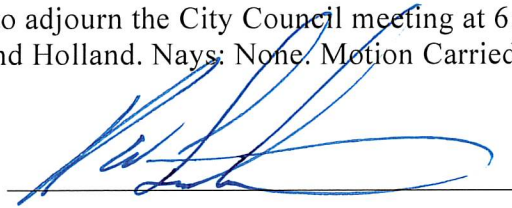
Aflac \$436.46, \$119.50, Beaver Bearing Co Albion \$220.64, Benchmark Governmental Solutions \$808.00, Bow Family Furniture \$658.00, Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce \$40.00, Broken Bow Mun Utilities \$29,549.96, Broken Bow Rural Fire Board \$307.77, Card Services \$463.79, Card Services 0591 \$1,081.51, Century Link \$86.03, Chris Henderson \$156.06, City Flex Benefit Plan \$455.00, City of Broken Bow - Health Insurance \$4,492.60, City of Broken Bow Pension Fund \$2,829.97, \$18,660.02, \$1,527.28, Colonial Insurance \$548.10, \$320.25, Credit Management Services Inc. \$177.81, Designs of Distinction \$3,034.28, EFTPS Online Payment \$5,354.44, \$27,013.99, \$22,895.08, EZ IT Solutions \$51.95, Eakes Office Solutions \$400.39, Family Heritage \$25.50, First Response Billing Associates, LLC \$3,584.66, Fyr-Tek \$1,839.95, General Collection Company, Inc \$117.55, Great Plains Communications \$195.78, \$150.00, Ingram Library Services \$1,979.00, Island Supply Welding Co. \$54.80, JEO \$14,788.55, Kirkpatrick Cleaning Solutions \$138.21, \$256.53, Leth's Gun Care \$535.00, MacQueen Equipment \$607.65, \$3,844.77, Mead Lumber \$228.12, Melham Medical Center \$95.78, Michael Todd Industrial Supply \$3,712.73, Nebraska Child Support Payment Center \$769.86, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center \$284.00, Over Drive \$1500.00, PANHANDLE EMS EDUCATION \$1,200.00, Presto X Company \$79.01, Pye-Barker Fire Safety \$334.00, RT Ace, LLC \$15.58, Sandhills Custom Creations \$63.50, Site One Landscape Supply \$246.57, Smithsonian \$39.99, State Income Tax WH NE Online Payment \$72,63.81, Stryker \$798.72, TX Child Support SDU \$331.77, Taste of Home \$10.00, Trotter Service \$2,990.76, \$513.54, \$4,128.00, \$73.90, Trotter Whoa & Go West BB \$538.46, \$101.29, \$72.28, \$517.85, Wade Kleebe \$160.49, Weathercraft \$210.00, Total \$176,086.84, Bi-Weekly Payroll (8/13/25) \$120,711.18, Grand Total \$296,798.02

In other communication, Mayor Sonnichsen announced that law enforcement officers and their families are invited to attend the Blue Line Family Bash on September 19, 2025, put on by Mike Hilger's, Nebraska Attorney General, at his home at 3770 West Vine Street in Lincoln. The event honoring law enforcement officers and their families will include food, games, and music.

In new business, moved by Smith, seconded by Kleebe to approve the Broken Bow Public Library Physical Facilities Policy. Library Director Megan Svoboda explained that the changes included adding that vaping is not allowed in the library and changing the multi-purpose room rental fee from \$35 to \$50 to allow for cleaning and maintaining the carpeting. Roll Call Vote: Voting aye: Smith, Kleebe, Wamsley, and Holland. Nays: None. Motion carried.

During Mayor, council, and public comments, Administrator Schmidt explained that they were going to have a “show and tell” with the new ambulance after the council meeting but they got an ambulance call right before the meeting started. He also explained that the Police Chief position was officially posted internally as of today, and that they will be reviewing those applications starting September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Moved by Holland, seconded by Wamsley, to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:05 pm. Roll Call vote: Voting aye: Smith, Kleebe, Wamsley, and Holland. Nays: None. Motion Carried.



Rodney W. Sonnichsen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer A. Waterhouse, City Clerk

