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REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Madison met in regular session in the Council Chambers, 211 South Lincoln Street, Madison, Nebraska on Thursday, March 14, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alvin Brandl called the meeting to order. Roll call found the following Council members present: Rob Fite, Rick Schommer, Paul Kellen and Griselda Beery.

Staff members present were: Treasurer/Office Manager/Acting City Clerk, Paula Biehle, City Attorney Mike Brogan, Utilities Superintendent Jim Lewis, Fire Chief Tim Reeves and Police Chief Rod Waterbury.

The Mayor presided and the Acting City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Upon opening of the meeting at 6:03 p.m. *the Mayor welcomed all guests and gave reminder to turn off cell/phones/pagers.*

The Mayor informed the public about the location of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, posted in the front entrance of the City Council Chambers and accessible to members of the public.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Madison STAR-MAIL, Madison, Nebraska, and the designated method of giving notice, as shown by affidavit of publication.

Notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

DISCUSSION: Discussion on approving consent agenda.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY, to approve the Consent Agenda: Motion will include A-D as one. A. Approve Agenda B. Minutes C. Treasurer Report. D. Claims, Roll call: Yeas: Fite, Beery, Schommer, Kellen. Nays: None. Motion carried.



REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

OLD BUSINESS

The following agenda items were approved or tabled to future meeting:

DISCUSSION: Update on the asbestos removal and demolition of 510 E. 2nd Street. Andres Contreras was not present at the meeting, due to flooding road conditions. The council discussed the need to stay on top of the progress, and Mike Brogan advised that there is still an active complaint, with a court date of April 18, 2019.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to table any action until the April 11, 2019 meeting. Mr. Contreras will be expected to give the council another update on his progress, at 510 East 2nd Street. Roll call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Fite, Beery. Nays: none. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: John Stappert, owner of Power Computing in Norfolk, proposed several updates for computer system, security and firewall in City Hall, Police Office and City Utility Shop, as well as new computer equipment and monitors. Stappert briefed the group about the importance of protecting the city computers from Ransomware and offered to provide a discount for IT services. Power Computing provides IT service to Countryside Home, which the city owns, and the offer was for the same volume discount rate that is billed to Countryside.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to accept an expenditure of up to \$20,000, for a consolidated proposal by Power Computing, for computer system security, firewall, backup, Office 365, server, five new work stations, monitors and installation, to be installed in the Madison City Office, Police Department and City Utility Shop. Roll call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Fite, Beery. Nays: none. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Finalize appointment/hiring of City Clerk. Mayor Brandl requested to enter executive session to discuss.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY AND SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to enter into executive session at 6:59 pm, for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. Roll call: Yeas: Beery, Fite, Schommer, Kellen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to exit the executive session at 7:18 pm, which was entered into to discuss a personnel matter. Roll call: Yeas: Kellen, Fite, Schommer, Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Brandl asked the council to approve his appointment of Amanda Franzen to the Clerk position, at a wage of \$25.00 per hour, with a four day, ten-hour per day work week (extending the City Office window hours), and a 90-day probationary period. Mayor Brandl stated that Franzen holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Nebraska Wesleyan University.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY AND SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN to approve Mayor Brandl's appointment of Amanda Franzen to the Clerk position, at a wage of \$25.00 per hour, with a four day, ten-hour per day work week (extending the City Office window hours), Roll call: Yeas: Beery, Nays: Kellen, Schommer, Fite. Motion NOT carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The following agenda items were approved or tabled to a future meeting

DISCUSSION: Recommendation of the Park Board to hire Katie Fite and Laura Reeves as co-coordinators for the Summer Rec BB/SB youth programs, at a salary of \$1,250 each.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to approve the hire of Katie Fite and Laura Reeves as co-coordinators for the Summer Rec BB/SB youth programs, at a salary of \$1,250 each. Roll Call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Beery. Nays: none. Abstain: Fite. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Recommendation of the Park Board to hire Michaela Grubb as the manager for the Madison Public Pool for the 2019 summer season, at an hourly wage of \$17.25

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY to approve the hire of Michaela Grubb as the manager for the Madison Public Pool for the 2019 summer season, at an hourly wage of \$17.25. Roll call: Yeas: Fite, Beery, Schommer, Kellen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Membership application of Samuel Kallhoff and Dan Kinkade for the Madison Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER AND SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to approve Samuel Kallhoff and Daniel Kinkade as members of the Madison Vol Fire & Rescue Dept. Roll call: Yeas: Schommer, Fite, Beery, Kellen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Reviewing for approval, drawdown No. 9 for NAHTF Grant Number 17-TFRH-15050, (Apartment Re-Hab at 320 S. Main Street) for Housing Rehabilitation in the amount of \$53,527.25, Housing Management in the amount of \$645.00, and General Administration in the amount of \$165.00, with an amount totaling \$54,337.25 (Grant funds only, no City funds).

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY, to approve drawdown No. 9 for NAHTF Grant Number 17-TFRH-15050, (Apartment Re-hab at 320 S. Main Street): for Housing Rehabilitation in the amount of \$53,527.25, Housing Management of \$645.00 and General Administration in the amount of \$165.00, with an amount totaling \$54,337.25. (Grant funds only, no City funds). Roll call: Yeas: Fite, Beery, Kellen, Schommer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Resolution 2019-4, to approve the proper clearance and redevelopment of substandard and blighted areas, authorizing the Community Redevelopment Authority to take action on Lot 5, Block 3, Park Addition to the City of Madison, Madison County, Nebraska.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to approve Resolution 2019-4, approving the proper clearance and redevelopment of substandard and blighted areas, authorizing the Community Redevelopment Authority to take action on Lot 5, Block 3, Park Addition to the City of Madison, Madison County, Nebraska. Roll call: Yeas: Kellen, Fite, Beery, Schommer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Because of flooding issues in the area, the presentation of the 2017/18 FY Audit Report by Schumacher, Smejkal, Brockhaus and Hurley, P.C. was tabled until the April 11, 2019. No one from the firm was able to attend tonight's meeting. **Tabled, no action.**

DISCUSSION: Approve plans, specifications and set a date for bid opening for three large infrastructure projects in or near the proposed Sunset Ridge housing subdivision, located near 10th & Ingram Streets: #403-017, 403-019, 403-020.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to authorize, contingent on the review and approval of Jim Lewis, the plans and specifications for three large infrastructure projects in or near the proposed Sunset Ridge housing subdivision, located near 10th & Ingram Streets: #403-017, Sunset Ridge Subdivision infrastructure and paving; 403-019, 10th & Ingram Paving; 403-020, Water and Sewer Extension for proposed Sunset Ridge Subdivision. Roll call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Fite, Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY to set the bid opening date of Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 1:00 pm for above-referenced projects #403-017; 403-019; and 403-020, the Sunset Ridge Subdivision and surrounding area. Roll call: Yeas: Kellen, Beery, Fite, Schommer. Nays: None. Motion carried

DISCUSSION: Upgrading Madison Water Tower controls. Jim Lewis reported that the controls are very old and requests the upgrade to a radio-controlled system.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER AND SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN to approve the purchase, including installation of radio water tower controls from HOA Solutions, at a cost of \$9,950.00. Roll call: Yeas: Schommer, Kellen, Fite, Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried

DISCUSSION: Tyson Foods project: Electric line extension. Jim Lewis explained that NPPD is helping with the extension project and solicited quotes for underground boring and conduit placement for the (approximate) one-half mile of electric line extension.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER AND SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to accept the expenditure of \$98,922 to Bauer Underground, Incorporated, for underground boring and conduit placement for the (approximate) one-half mile of electric line extension, which is part of the Tyson Foods expansion project. Roll call: Yeas: Schommer, Fite, Kellen, Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried

THE FLOOR WAS OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No comments received.

REPORTS:

Utilities Dept: Jim Lewis reported on some flooding issues from the recent snow melt and rain, but said Madison fared very well, compared to area towns. The city crew has been trimming trees away from power lines. Lewis invited everyone to an open house on Friday, for employees who will be leaving employment with the City on March 19 (Donna Bartak and Paula Biehle).

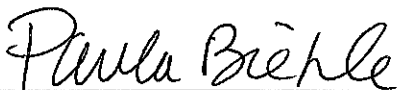
Fire Dept: Tim Reeves reported that as a result of local flooding, the department had gone door to door in parts of town that were in the flood risk and also assisted with a mutual aid call, rescuing people whose vehicle and trailer had gone off the flooded road they were driving on. Reeves reminded everyone that the annual St. Patty's Day Bash was on Saturday night, and the department is again sponsoring the annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 13th.

Police Dept: Rod Waterbury reported a slower month, but more serious offenses. Samantha Barnes has four weeks of schooling left.

City Office: Paula Biehle pointed out to the council that she had given each of them in their packets, a copy of the 2018/19 month-to-date budget and revenue reports, which show the status of expense and revenues after 5 of the 12 months complete (42%). Biehle also stated that Lori Pfeifer had been training in the office full time since 3-5-19 and is picking up on things well, but there is a lot of information to cover. Lori Kellen had been there a few hours over a course of several days, but will be full time from now on.

DISCUSSION: Discussion was had on adjourning the meeting.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to adjourn meeting at 7:15 p.m. Roll Call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Fite, Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried.

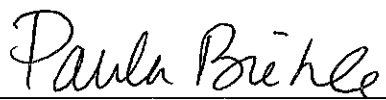


Paula Biehle, Acting City Clerk



Alvin Brandl, Mayor

I, the undersigned City Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is the full, true and correct original document of the Madison City Council Meeting proceedings had and done by the Mayor and City Council; that all of the subjects included in the proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.



Paula Biehle, Acting City Clerk
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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, March 10, 2019

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Madison met in special session in the Council Chambers, 211 South Lincoln Street, Madison, Nebraska on, Sunday, March 10, 2019, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alvin Brandl called the meeting to order. Roll call found the following Council members present: Rob Fite, Rick Schommer, and Paul Kellen. Griselda Beery was absent.

No staff members were present.

The Mayor presided and recorded the proceedings.

Upon opening of the meeting at 6:02 p.m., the Mayor announced the location of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, posted in the front entrance of the City Council Chambers and accessible to members of the public.

Notice of the meeting was given 48 hours in advance, thereof, by posting at the following locations in Madison, Nebraska: City Hall, Public Library, Countryside Home and the Madison County Courthouse.

Notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

DISCUSSION #1: Mayor Brandl presented a copy of the Park Board's vote and recommendation to the council for approval of Adrienne Carnes as a new member of the Park Board of Directors. Mayor Brandl confirmed his request for the appointment.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to approve the Mayor's appointment of Adrienne Carnes as a member of the Park Board of Directors. Roll Call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Fite. Nays: None. Absent: Beery. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION #2: City Clerk appointment and personnel concerns..

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to enter executive session at 5:10 pm to discuss personnel concerns with the appointment of City Clerk position. Roll Call: Yeas: Fite, Schommer, Kellen. Nays: None. Absent: Beery. Motion carried.

ACTION: MOTION BY FITE, SECOND BY SCHOMMER to exit the executive session at 6:12 pm, which was held to discuss personnel concerns with the appointment of City Clerk position. Roll Call: Fite, Schommer, Kellen. Nays: None. Absent: Beery. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Wages for City Clerk appointment.

ACTION: MOTION BY SCHOMMER, SECOND BY KELLEN to offer an hourly wage of \$22.00 (candidate does not need health insurance) to Amanda Franzen, pending acceptance of the position. Roll Call: Yeas: Schommer, Kellen. Nays: Fite. Absent: Beery. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Discussion was had to adjourning the meeting.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to adjourn meeting at 6:32 pm. Roll Call: Yeas: Schommer, Fite, Kellen. Nays: None. Absent: Beery. Motion carried.



Paula Biehle, Acting City Clerk



Alvin Brandl, Mayor

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