

City of Cambridge
City Council Meeting
Monday February 6, 2023
6:30 P.M.
Cambridge Community Building
722 Patterson St

Pursuant to notice published in the Valley Voice on Thursday January 26, 2023, the Cambridge City Council convened in open public meeting at 6:30 P.M. on February 6, 2023 at the Cambridge Community Building, 722 Patterson Street. Present were Mayor David Gunderson, City Council Members Vernita Saylor, John Kutnink, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris, Nora McGowen and Kevin Banzhaf. City Staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Courtney Stanton, Utility Supervisor David Houghtelling. Visitors present were Genny Kubik for the *Valley Voice*, Doug Brown *Furnas County Sheriff's Department*, Jessica Fisher, and Eric Einsenhart. Mayor Gunderson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Gunderson announced the open meeting law is posted on the east wall of the meeting room and available for public inspection.

Public Hearing: Mayor Gunderson opened the public hearing at 6:31 P.M. and read by title the purpose of the public hearing. Amend "R-1" Single Family Residential Zone and "R-2" Multi Family Residential District to add Short Term Rental as a Conditional Use. There were no public comments. Mayor Gunderson closed the public hearing at 6:32 P.M.

Consent Agenda: The City Council received a copy of the minutes January 16, 2023 and the claims report. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Mike Harris, to approve minutes of January 16, 2023 and claims report. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor; Jeff Ommert abstained from Ommert Tech Claims and voted yes on all other claims. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

City of Cambridge
Claims Report
To Mayor and City Council
2/6/2023
Period 1/17/2023 to 2/6/2023

Check No.	Vendor, For	Amount	Dept. Total
	<u>Combined Utility</u>		
33165	Twin Valleys Public Power District, Purchased Power	193,572.14	
33166-			
33168	Payroll	4,261.46	
33169	Cambridge Post Office, Postage	309.00	
33170-			
33172	void	0.00	

33173-			
33175	Ag Valley, Fuel	1,040.94	
33176	BIC, Purchased Water	2,424.65	
33177	Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	9,338.16	
33178	BRICO Pest Control, Spray Buildings	67.25	
33179-			
33180	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	110.90	
33181	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	1.59	
33182	Cambridge Telephone, Utility	778.90	
33183	Cardmember Services, Postage, Meals, Software	118.60	
33184	Eakes Office, Copier Lease, Copier Deposit, Supplies	1,524.03	
33185	Miller & Associates, Fees	536.25	
33186	Municipal Supply, Supplies	1,022.81	
33187	Nebraska Public Health, Water Testing	77.00	
33188	Nebraska Public Power District, Selsyn Motor Sub Stat	1,026.00	
33189	Ommert Tech, Computer Lease	333.61	
33190	Region 12 American Backflow, Registration	180.00	
33191	River Valley Services, Comm Bldg. Hot Water Heater	1,043.34	
33192	Schaben Sanitation, Haul Roll Off	514.17	
33193	Southwest Farm & Auto, Supplies	123.82	
33194	Twin Valleys Public Power District, Subtran Pol Attach	142.96	
33195	Unitech, Supplies	298.00	
33196	USA Blue Book, Supplies	243.68	
33197	Utilities Section, Dues	230.00	
33198	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	170.21	
33199	Western Area Power Administration	6,616.11	
ACH	Payroll	9,086.35	
ACH	Waypoint Bank, ACH Fee	17.00	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	3,651.21	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	2,390.99	
ACH	Nebraska Dept. Revenue, State With holding	2,350.10	
ACH	IRS, Federal With holdings	13,145.38	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	4,304.33	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	2,026.24	263,077.18
	<u>Security Deposit Account</u>		
2112-2113	Security Deposit Refunds	300.00	300.00
	<u>City of Cambridge</u>		
50785-			
50799	Payroll	2,749.53	
50800	Ag Valley, Fuel	637.75	
50801	All Recipes, Subscription	15.00	
50802	Amazon, Library Supplies	453.44	
50803	Bound Tree Medical, Supplies	196.46	

50804	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	545.99	
50805	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	40.92	
50806	Cambridge Telephone, Utility	462.08	
50807	Cardmember Services, Postage, Meals, Software	852.88	
50808	DEMCO, Library Supplies	86.27	
50809	Eakes Office, Library Supplies	182.81	
50810	Family Handyman, Subscription	21.50	
50811	Follett School Solutions, Library On Line Services	213.93	
50812	Frontier, Police Phone	42.42	
50813	Furnas County Treasurer, Police Contract	5,008.32	
50814	Gale, Library Supplies	86.16	
50815	Greg Howerter, Health Insurance Deductible	7.11	
50816	Hackel Construction, Swimming Pool Project	121,267.12	
50817	Mark's Pharmacy, Ambulance Supplies	22.89	
50818	Matheson Tri-Gas, Oxygen	114.44	
50819	Matt Friend Truck, Truck Blade	9,849.34	
50820	Michel Todd & Company, Supplies	196.94	
50821	Miller & Associates, Fees	100.00	
50822	Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Shifflet, Attorney Fees	997.50	
50823	Nebraska Overdrive, Library Services	311.49	
50824	NMC Exchange, Repairs	3,392.69	
50825	Ommert Tech, Computer Lease	91.92	
50826	Page My Cell, Fire Dept. Notification Service	600.00	
50827	Sandry Fire Supplies, Equipment, Supplies	11,336.75	
50828	Shirley K's Coffee Shop, Meal for Retirement	283.47	
50829	Southwest Farm & Auto, Supplies	1,047.81	
50830	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	96.74	
50831	Viaero Wireless, Library Hot Spots	690.40	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	3,175.63	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	291.58	
ACH	Eakes Office, Library Copier Lease	129.47	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	1,846.45	
ACH	Nebraska Dept. Revenue, State With holding	42.02	
ACH	IRS, Federal With holdings	4,977.36	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	3,283.83	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	1,764.66	
ACH	Payroll	3,249.16	180,762.23
	<u>LB840</u>		
4636	Waypoint Bank, Down Payment Assistance	15,000.00	
4637	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	706.00	
4638	Cambridge Telephone, Utility	68.51	
4639	Cardmember Services, Postage, Meals, Software	101.29	
4640	Furnas County Clerk, Filing Fee	80.00	

4641	Melissa Jackson, Contract	1,203.61	
4642	MP Design, Business of the Month Ad	157.50	
4643	Waypoint Bank, Down Payment Assistance	15,000.00	32,316.91
	Totals	476,456.32	476,456.32

Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees

A. Miller and Associates – Nothing to report

B. Economic Development Director Report – Nothing to report

C. Ambulance/Fire Reports – Cambridge Rescue Service Minutes December 26, 2022. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Mike Harris, to approve Cambridge Rescue Service Minutes of December 26, 2022. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present. Cambridge Volunteer Fire Roster. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve Cambridge Volunteer Fire Roster. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present. John Kutnink reported that the Cambridge Rescue Service received a grant for a new ambulance in the amount of \$75, 000.00 from the State of Nebraska. Purchase and delivery of new ambulance needs done by September 2026.

D. Planning Commission Reports –Nothing to report.

E. Cemetery Report – Nothing to report.

F. Library Report – Library Board Minutes January 19, 2023. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve Library Board Minutes January 19, 2023. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

G. Museum Report – Museum Board Minutes January 25, 2023. John Kutnink stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve Museum Board Minutes January 25, 2023. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present. Reappointment for Lloyd Thompson. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Mike Harris to approve reappointment for Lloyd Thompson. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present. Raise for Ryan Cramer for 6 month probation period at \$.50 per hour. Kevin Banzhaf stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert to approve raise for Ryan Cramer at \$.50 per hour. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

H. Park Board Report – Park Board Minutes from January 10, 2023. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by John Kutnink, to approve Park Board Minutes of January 10, 2023. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

I. Utility Supervisor Report – Dave Houghttelling reported there is a slide broke in the park. The company does not make the slide or replacement piece. The cost of a new slide \$3, 100.70. The roof is leaking at the General Store. Dave will contact Tony Groshong to look at the General Store roof for repair. Dave

and Courtney will have a meeting with the pole inspectors on February 7th. Dave will be meeting with NPPD on February 7th.

J. City Clerk/Treasurer Report – Financial reports were presented for the period ending January 31, 2023. Bank Reconciliation for period ending 1/31/2023. There was discussion on what account to pay for new slide in park. Bethany Stritt has started her position as Utility Billing Clerk and is doing great job.

K. City Attorney – Nothing to report.

New Business:

- A. HoJo’s Hideaway SDL for February 25, 2023. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve Park Board Minutes of January 10, 2023. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.
- B. Ordinance No. 812 An Ordinance of the City of Cambridge, Nebraska, Amending City of Cambridge Zoning Regulations 2015, Revised January 2023 Adding: Section 2-203. “R-1” Single Family Residential District Conditional Uses Adding Short Term Rental. Approve 1st Reading. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approved first reading of Ordinance No. 812. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.
- C. Ordinance No. 813 An Ordinance of the City of Cambridge, Nebraska, Amending City of Cambridge Zoning Regulations 2015, Revised January 2023 Adding: Section 2-303. “R-2” Multi Family Residential District Conditional Uses Adding Short Term Rental. Approve 1st Reading. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by John Kutnink, to approved first reading of Ordinance No. 813. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.
- D. Furnas County Sheriff Doug Brown was present to discuss forming a Public Safety/Law Enforcement Committee. Members of committee would go over contracts, Local Emergency Operation Plan and possibly give input for a Community Emergency Response Team. Delaine Soucie, Roger Powell and Doug Brown will be committee members for public Safety and will meet as needed. Nora McGowen, John Kutnink and David Gunderson will be committee members for law enforcement and will meet as needed.

Adjournment:

Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Mike Harris, to adjourn at 7:23 P.M. Voting yes were Kevin Banzhaf, Nora McGowen, Mike Harris, Jeff Ommert, John Kutnink and Vernita Saylor. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Attest: _____
Courtney Stanton, City Clerk/Treasurer

David Gunderson, Mayor