

City of Cambridge
City Council Meeting
Monday, May 3 2021
6:30 P.M.
Cambridge Community Building
722 Patterson St

Pursuant to notice published in the Valley Voice on Thursday, April 29, 2021, the Cambridge City Council convened in open public meeting at 6:30 P.M. on May 3, 2021 at the Cambridge Community Building. Present were Mayor David Gunderson, City Council Members Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Council members absent were Tony Groshong and Mike Harris. City Staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne, Utility Supervisor Dave Houghtelling, City Attorney Lisa Shifflet, Fire Chief Delaine Soucie and Lance Shifflet on behalf of the Fire Department. Visitors present were Jessica Fischer for *Tri Valley Health System*, Morgan Farquhar and Cheryl Haakenson. 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.

Consent Agenda: Minutes of April 19, 2021 and the claims report. The City Council received a copy of the minutes of April 19, 2021, and the claims report prior to this meeting. Derek Raburn stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve the minutes of April 19, 2021, and the claims report. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present for the minutes of April 19, 2021, and the following claims report:

City of Cambridge

Claims Report

To Mayor and City Council

3-May-21

Period 04/20/2021 TO 05/03/2021

Check No.	Vendor, For <u>Combined Utility:</u>	Amount	Dept. Total
32066	Cambridge Post Office, Postage	268.26	
32067	Twin Valley Public Power District, Purchased Power	179,517.01	
32068-32074	Payroll	9,436.05	
32075	void	0.00	
32076	BIC, Purchased Water	2,781.90	
32077	Blooms, Flowers	38.00	
32078	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	143.09	
32079	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	16.67	
32080	Cambridge Telephone Co., Utility	751.22	
32081	Credit Management, Collection Fees	102.94	
32082	Employee Flex Spending	2,000.00	

32083	Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	241.77	
32084	Faw Motor Company, Repairs	280.75	
32085	Fireguard, Inc., Check Fire Extinguishers	194.63	
32086	Hometown Agency, Insurance	79,932.00	
32087	Hometown Leasing, Copier Lease	641.74	
32088	Municipal Supply, Supplies	1,574.63	
32089	Nebraska Safety & Fire, Backflow Inspection	95.00	
32090	Olsson, Engineering Fees	3,665.87	
32091	Ommert Tech, Computer Lease	333.61	
32092	Schaben Sanitation, Haul roll offs	1,033.85	
32093	Southwest Farm & Auto, Repairs	154.99	
32094	Utility Customer Refund over payment	36.47	
32095	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	162.45	
32096	Ag Valley, Fuel	249.64	
Tr	Sewer Improvement Fund, Transfer	1,000.00	
Tr	Water System Extension, Transfer	1,083.37	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	3,145.88	
ACH	Nebraska Dept. Revenue, Withholding Tax	820.43	
ACH	IRS, With holdings	3,114.77	292,816.99
	<u>Security Deposit:</u>		
2044	Utility Customer Refund	300.00	300.00
	<u>City Account (General Fund):</u>		
48953-48977	Payroll	6,012.10	
48978	Ag Valley, Fuel	202.90	
45979	Amazon, Library Supplies	161.74	
48980	Ambulance Check Card Account, Pizza for training meeting	64.35	
48981	Anew Travel Center, Fuel	19.87	
48982	Baker & Taylor, Library Books	227.68	
48983	Blooms, Flowers	101.00	
48984	Bound Tree Medical, Ambulance Supplies	255.99	
48985	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	610.00	
48986	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	36.00	
48987	Cambridge Chamber, Donation for Fire Works	1,500.00	
48988	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	30.64	
48989	Cambridge General Store, Library Supplies	95.62	
48990	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	38.79	
48991	Cambridge Telephone Co., Utility	425.18	
48992	Collaborative Summer, Library Program Fees	284.13	
48993	Common Scents, Tree for Arbor Day	184.99	
48994	Crane River Theater, Library Program Fees	400.00	
48995	Extreme Ag, Chemicals	810.00	
48996	Fancy That Signs, Fire Dept. Signs	480.00	
48997	Fireguard, Inc., Check Fire Extinguishers	38.70	

48998	Furnas County Treasurer, Police Contract	4,720.83	
48999	void	0.00	
49000	Employee Deductible	11.83	
49001	Harlequin Reader Service, Library Reader Service	29.96	
49002	Highlights, Library Subscription	34.44	
49003	Hometown Agency, Insurance	63,299.00	
49004	International Institute of Municipal Clerks, Dues	290.00	
49005	Maria Downer, Library Face Book Ads	5.00	
49006	Matheson Tri Gas, Ambulance Oxygen	111.20	
49007	Mick Minnick, Library Books	34.90	
49008	Miller Associates, Swimming Pool Project Engineering Fees	4,360.05	
49009	Nebraska Humanities Council, Library Program Fees	75.00	
49010	Odiss Enterprises, Repair Over Head Door	408.00	
49011	Ommert Tech, Ambulance Computer Lease	91.92	
49012	Page My Cell, Emergency Notifications for Fire	600.00	
49013	Paulsen, Gravel	813.06	
49014	People, Subscription	40.00	
49015	Sandry Fire, Fire Dept. Supplies	4,491.86	
49016	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	94.16	
49017	Gale, Library Books	108.60	
49018	Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Attorney Fees	1,832.55	
Tr	Transfer ACE Funds to General for Chamber Fireworks Donation	500.00	
Tr	Fire Ambulance Sinking Fund, Transfer	1,647.20	
Tr	General Fund Transfers	33,500.00	
ACH	Payroll	461.75	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	2,734.62	
ACH	Nebraska Dept. Revenue, Withholding Tax	75.10	
ACH	Eakes Office Solutions, Library Copier Lease	146.84	
ACH	First Central Bank, Library Computer Loan	240.00	
ACH	IRS, With holdings	1,126.03	
ACH	IRS, With holdings	180.68	134,044.26
	<u>Cambridge TIF:</u>		
1113	void	0.00	
1114	Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Attorney Fees	78.00	78.00
	<u>LB840/ Revolving Loan/ HTC:</u>		
4399	Down Payment Assistance Refund over payment	72.50	
4400	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	1,059.00	
4401	Cambridge Telephone Co., Utility	49.74	
4402	Melissa Jackson, Contract	2,176.00	3,357.24
	Cambridge Emergency Ambulance Check Card Account:		
ACH	Amateurs Bar & Grill, Pizza for Training Class	64.35	64.35
	Total:	430,660.84	430,660.84

Ordinances/Resolutions:

a. Waiver Schedule Resolution – Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve Waiver Schedule Resolution #2021-05-01 which authorizes a waiver schedule for certain municipal ordinances. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Resolution 2021-05-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, NEBRASKA AUTHORIZING A WAIVER SCHEDULED FOR CENTRAIN MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES.

Recitals

WHEREAS, the City of Cambridge municipal ordinances provide for the imposition of fines for various violations, and:

WHEREAS, the it is in the interest of the City that the amount of those fines be consistent, and;

WHEREAS, it would result in more efficient dispensation of justice if the City were to adopt a waiver schedule for the most common violations of City ordinances,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cambridge, that the following waiver schedule be adopted for the designated offenses, and that the uniform fines set forth be allowed upon a plea of guilty to the offense stated.

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE: MUNICIPAL WAIVER SCHEDULE

ORD#	PENALTY	ORDINANCE	1ST OFF	2ND OFF
4-507		ATV/UTILITY VEHICLES	\$50.00	\$100.00
4-509		GOLF CARS	\$50.00	\$100.00
4-113		ENGINE BRAKES	\$50.00	\$100.00
4-202		GENERAL PARKING	\$25.00	\$50.00
4-208		PARKING; OBSTRUCTING AN ALLEY	\$25.00	\$50.00
4-212		PARKING; OBSTRUCTING A FIRE HYDRANT	\$50.00	\$100.00
4-209		PARKING; OBSTRUCTING AN INTERSECTION	\$50.00	\$100.00
4-207		TRUCK PARKING;	\$50.00	\$100.00
3-129		LITTERING	\$50.00	\$100.00
4-602		ABANDONED VEHICLES	\$50.00	\$100.00
3-203		DOG TAGS REQUIRED	\$25.00	\$50.00
3-209		DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE	\$50.00	\$100.00
3-211		BARKING AND OFFENSIVE DOG	\$25.00	\$50.00
3-301		LIVESTOCK RESTRICTIONS	\$50.00	\$100.00
3-121		DISORDERLY CONDUCT	\$50.00	\$100.00

Any subsequent violation within 60 days of a first violation for the same offense shall be deemed a second offense and subject to increased penalties as described above

Any third and subsequent violation issued within 60 days of a second violation shall be summoned to court.

Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees:

Ambulance/Fire Reports – Fire Chief Delaine Soucie reported to Council that the fire truck recently inspected for purchase will be complete by Friday and delivered the following week. If the truck inspection is approved the Fire Department will proceed with the purchase as previously approved by the City Council and Rural Fire Board.

New Business:

Special Designated Liquor Permit for Medicine Creek Days Dance on June 19, 2021. The Fire Department is requesting a Special designated Liquor Permit for Saturday June 19, 2021 for the Medicine Creek Days street dance. The proposal is for the 600 block of Patterson Street and there will be a double fence. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor to approve the Special Designated Liquor Permit for Medicine Creek Days Dance on June 19, 2021. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees:

- a. Library Board Report – Minutes of the April 14, 2021 meeting were received.
- b. Museum Board Report – Minutes of the April 21, 2021 meeting were received.
- c. Utility Supervisor Report – Dave Houghtelling reported on the following: draining the swimming pool for minor repairs; Clint Wickizer’s last day in May 21; and interviews.
- d. City Clerk/Treasurer – Kandra Kinne reported on the following: Financial Statements for January, February and March are complete and in Council packets; Joe & Colleen Benson at 1004 Nelson Street received permission from the Potter neighbors for the chicken permit; the annual TIF report is in Council packets; and Hometown Agency provided a letter with the renewal.
- e. Tri Valley Health System – Jessica Fisher reported that improvements at Heritage Plaza continue; new tenants are moving in; and the hospital is having staff training for new hires.

Unfinished Business:

a. Young's Portable Shed Agreement – City Attorney Lisa Shifflet advised that an agreement has been prepared with Young's Portable Shed which will display portable sheds for sale on City Property if an agreement is reached for the amount of the rent. The City Council recommended \$300.00 per month rental. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Kevin Banzhaf to approve the agreement with Young's Portable Sheds and authorize the Mayor to sign said agreement. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

b. Re-districting proposal from Gworks – Council reviewed the proposal received from G-works and asked for proposals from other firms.

c. Abandoned 1990 Chrysler LeBaron Convertible – City Attorney Lisa Shifflet advised that the Fire Department can now use the car for training. Derek Raburn stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve the use of the car for the Fire Department. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

d. Citizen's Comments – Morgan Farquhar presented a letter from himself to members of the City Council and Cambridge Zoning Administrator dated May 3, 2021 addressing his issues with the seed warehouse constructed by Alan Koeperich at Harvest Meadows.

Cheryl Haakenson addressed Council and advised she recently moved here and that she is interested in the City of Cambridge.

Adjournment of City Council and Convene CDA: Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to adjourn City Council Meeting at 7:15 P.M. and convene the Community Development Agency. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Termination Agreement between the Community Development Agency and Scotty Gray and Andrea Gray – A termination agreement has been signed by Scotty and Andrea Gray to terminate the contract with CDA as they are purchasing a home in the Cambridge. Vernita stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn, to approve the termination agreement between Grays and the CDA. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Adjournment of CDA: Derek Raburn stated the motion, seconded by Kevin Banzhaf, to adjourn the Community Development Agency at 7:18 P.M. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. Tony Groshong and Mike Harris were absent and not voting. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Attest: _____
Kandra J. Kinne, City Clerk/Treasurer

David Gunderson, Mayor