

City of Cambridge
 Regular City Council Meeting
 Monday May 16, 2022
 6:30 P.M.
 Cambridge Community Building, 722 Patterson Street

The Cambridge City Council met in open and public session at the Cambridge Community Building, 722 Patterson Street on Monday May 16, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. Present were Mayor David Gunderson, City Council Members Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf. City Council Member Derek Raburn was absent. Also present were City Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne, Utility Supervisor David Houghtelling, City Attorney Lisa Shifflet and Pool Manager Sara Calvert. Visitors present were Jessica Fisher for *Tri Valley Health System*; Terry Engell for *Hometown Agency*; Jason Cobb for *Nebraska Corn Processing*; and Harry Bailey.

Mayor Gunderson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Gunderson announced the Open Meeting Act is posted on the east wall of the meeting room and available for public inspection. Affidavit of Publication: Notice of the meeting was published in the Valley Voice on Thursday May 12, 2022, the designated method of giving notice. A copy is available at the office of the City Clerk and attached to these minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes of May 2, 2022 and the claims report. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve the minutes of May 2, 2022, and the claims report. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn. Motion carried by City Council Members present for the minutes of May 2, 2022, and the following claims:

*City of Cambridge
 Claims Report
 To Mayor and City Council
 16-May-22*

Period 05/03/2022 TO 05/16/2022

Check No.	Vendor, For <u>Combined Utility:</u>	Amount	Dept. Total
32725-32727	Payroll	3,364.97	
32728	Ag Valley, Fuel	144.99	
32729	Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance	10,079.44	
32730	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	51.00	
32731	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	163.17	
32732	Cambridge Post Office, Box Rent	130.00	
32733	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	31.74	
32734	Card Member Services, Postage, Supplies	430.37	
32735	CFS Inspections, Inspect Line Truck	1,000.00	
32736	Dutton-Lainson, Meter	963.30	
32737	Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	117.96	

	32738	Faw Garage, Pickup, Box	39,600.00	
	32739	McCook Gazette, Advertising	126.00	
	32740	Municipal Supply, man hole repairs, meters, supplies	8,588.07	
	32741	Northwestern Mutual, annuity	2,944.70	
	32742	Olsson, Reporting	1,712.02	
	32743	River Valley Services, Exhaust Fan at Lift Station	2,407.00	
	32744	Schaben Sanitation, Trash Pickup, Haul Roll Off Boxes	15,147.24	
	32745	Southwest Farm & Auto, Repairs	23.56	
	32746	Twin Valleys Public Power District, Contract, Utility, Repairs	8,320.68	
	32747	USABLE Life, Insurance	67.50	
	32748	Western Area Power Administration, Purchased Power	5,091.16	
ACH		Payroll	4,351.14	
ACH		Black Hills Energy, Utility	561.60	
ACH		Return Item	245.38	
ACH		IRS, Federal Tax With Holdings	2,558.01	108,221.00
		<u>City Account (General Fund):</u>		
	50078	Viaero wireless, Hotspots	810.47	
	50079	Payroll	758.79	
	50080	Ag Valley, Fuel	297.72	
	50081	Anew Travel Center, Fuel	259.79	
	50082	Beth Macy, Refund Community Building Rent	480.00	
	56083	Blooms & Collectibles, Flowers	54.50	
	50084	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	487.71	
	50085	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	178.99	
	50086	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	291.04	
	50087	Card Member Services, Postage, Supplies	41.05	
	50088	CenturyLink, Police Phone	59.96	
	50086	David Gunderson, Mileage	109.40	
	50090	David Houghtelling, Deductible	343.89	
	50091	Derek Raburn, Mileage	109.28	
	50092	Frontier, Police Phone	42.42	
	50093	Hackel Construction, Swimming Pool Project Application #8	77,357.28	
	50091	Jim's Triple D Service, Tire Repair	22.50	
	50095	Kandra Kinne, Mileage	109.28	
	50096	Mark's Pharmacy, Supplies for Ambulance	282.62	
	50097	Miller & Associates, Flood Plain Administration	100.00	
	50098	Mouse!, Brooks, Schneider, Attorney Fees	2,280.00	
	50098	Nick Vargas, Postage	9.45	
	50100	Sandry Fire, Fire Dept. Supplies	352.00	
	50101	Southwest Farm & Auto, Repairs	214.30	
	50102	Tri Valley Health System, Pre-Employment Physical, Drug Test	1,390.00	
	50103	Twin Valleys Public Power District,, Utility	59.85	
ACH		Payroll	500.69	

ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	570.07	
ACH	IRS, Federal Tax With Holdings	241.46	87,814.51
	<u>City Baseball League:</u>		
216	Alynn Ahlemeyer, Softball belts	118.37	
217	void	0.00	
218	Blooms, T-ball Shirts	547.70	
219	City of Cambridge, Cash for Concession Stand	60.00	
220	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	29.99	756.06
	<u>City of Cambridge TIF:</u>		
1165	First Central Bank, Cambridge Hotel TIF	656.01	656.01
	<u>LB840/ Revolving Loan/ HTC:</u>		
4546	Amateur's Bar & Grill, Business Promotion	500.00	
4547	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	706.00	
4548	Card Member Services, Postage, Supplies	220.80	
4549	City of Cambridge, Distribution of Sales Tax	20,202.63	
4550	Cross Creek Golf Links, Distribution of Sales Tax	5,909.08	
4551	Furnas County Clerk, Filing Fee	40.00	27,578.51
Total:		225,026.09	225,026.09

NEW BUSINESS:

Request for Noise Ordinance — Harry Bailey asked Council to consider a noise ordinance. He lives near the ethanol plant which has noise before 7:00 a.m., he stated. Jason Cobb of NCP will ask staff not to move rail cars before 7:00 a.m. Council asked Mr. Bailey to work with Mr. Cobb of Nebraska Corn Processing.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

Park/Swimming Pool Reports —

1. Swimming Pool Fees: Pool Manager Sara Calvert advised that she has reviewed area pool fees and suggested raising fees. After consideration, Council decided to keep the fees the same.

2. Part time Lifeguard/Assistant Manager: Pool Manager Sara Calvert recommended adding Cali Gunderson for the position of part time Lifeguard/Assistant Manager. Kevin Banzhaf stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to hire Cali Gunderson as part time Lifeguard/Assistant Manager at the rate of \$11.20 per hour. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

NEW BUSINESS:

EMC Insurance Dividend Check — Terry Engell of Hometown Agency advised Council that EMC Insurance will present a dividend check to the City for 23.5 percent of the premium which is \$29,275.35. EMC Insurance has paid this to the City for 19 of the last 25 years. Terry presented Council with a proposed premium if the deductible was increased, but only on building and contents, per occurrence. Inland Marine would remain the same, but property values have increased. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Mike Harris, to approve \$2,500 deductible with \$10,000 for wind and hail. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

a. Miller 8c Associates — Swimming Pool Modifications Project — Application for Payment #8 \$77,457.28 — A construction meeting was held recently and the project is moving forward despite the area fire and shipping delays. The inspection is scheduled for May 25. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to approve the Application for Payment #8 in the amount of \$77,457.28. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

b. Planning Commission Report of May 11, 2022 — Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve the Planning Commission Report of May 11, 2022 for the Site Plan and Land Use Permit Applications/Floodplain of Kyle Broadfoot of 616 Shole Avenue for garage, lean-to and concrete; and Kevin Banzhaf of 305 Neville Street for a six-foot wooden privacy fence. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert and Mike Harris; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; Kevin Banzhaf abstained from voting; none voted no. Motion carried by City Council members present.

C. Museum Report of May 11, 2022 — The report was contained in City Council packets.

d. Utility Supervisor Report - Dave Houghtelling reported on the following: problem with the new pump at the lift station, the company will inspect on May 23; repairing manhole covers after the camera project; siren needs repairs and company will inspect all sirens; new pickup has been delivered; and the digger truck should be declared surplus. Kevin Banzhaf stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to approve declaring the digger truck as surplus and advertise for sale. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

City Clerk/Treasurer — Kandra Kinne reported that Nebraska Rural Water Association completed a water and sewer rate study for the City of Cambridge. The City has received a letter from Schaben Sanitation for an increase in trash fees.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Discuss Fireworks for Medicine Creek Days —Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve that the Medicine Creek Days committee be allowed to use the \$1,800 previously approved for fireworks in any way necessary for the celebration. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

b. Employment Applications —

1. City Clerk/Treasurer Position —Vernita Saylor reported on behalf of the Interview Committee and recommended hiring Courtney Stanton. Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve hiring Courtney Stanton as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer at \$20/hr. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

2. Utility Employee Position — Dave Houghtelling reported on the interview. He will contact the applicant about wages.

3. Museum Curator Position — The Museum Board recommended hiring Ryan Cramer for the position at \$12/hr. Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve hiring Ryan Cramer as Museum Curator at \$12/hr. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to adjourn the City Council meeting at 8:33 p.m. Voting yes was Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn; none voted no. Motion carried unanimously by City Council Members present.

Attest: Kandra J. Kinne, City Clerk/Treasurer

David Gunderson, Mayor