

Regular City Council Meeting
Monday August 5, 2019
6:30 P.M.

Notice of meeting was given in advance by publication in the *Cambridge Clarion*, Thursday, August 1, 2019, the designated method of giving notice, convening at 6:30 P.M. Advance notice of the meeting was given to the Mayor, Members of the City Council, and the *Cambridge Clarion*. Present were Mayor David Gunderson, City Council Members Derek Raburn, Keith Luedders, Jeff Ommert, and Vernita Saylor. Tony Groshong and Tom McCarville were absent. Members of City Staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne, Utility Supervisor David Houghtelling, Executive Director of Economic Development Monica Lueking and City Attorney Lisa Shifflet. Visitors present during the meeting were Jenny Kubik for the *Cambridge Clarion*; Delaine Soucie and Darren Wulf for Cambridge Fire Department; Jessica Fisher and Laverne Banzhaf for *Tri Valley Health Systems*. Mayor Gunderson opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M. with 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.

Consent Agenda Minutes of July 22, 2019 and Claims Report. The City Council received the minutes of July 22, 2019 prior to this meeting and the claims report. The City Council received an updated claims report at the meeting. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve the amended minutes of July 22, 2019 and the claims report. Jeff Ommert abstained from the Ommert Tech statement on the claims report. On roll call vote Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Keith Luedders and Derek Raburn voted yes, none voted no, and Tony Groshong and Tom McCarville were absent. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present for the Minutes of July 22, 2019 and the following claims report:

<i>City of Cambridge</i>			
<i>Claims Report</i>			
<i>To Mayor and City Council</i>			
<i>5-Aug-19</i>			
<i>Period 07/16/2019 to 08/05/2019</i>			
Check No.	Vendor, For	Amount	Dept.
			Total
<u>Combined Utility:</u>			
30818-30824	Payroll	8,448.46	
30825	BIC, Purchased Water	2,537.70	
30826	Cambridge Post Office, Postage	266.00	
30827	Twin Valleys Public Power, Purchased Power	233,479.58	
30828	Customer Refund Over Payment	148.25	
30529	Customer Refund Over Payment	138.41	
30830	Customer Refund Over Payment	254.64	
30831	Customer Refund Over Payment	819.51	
30832-30841	Payroll	14,180.15	
30842	Ag Valley, Fuel	530.28	
30843	Cambridge Clarion, Publications	44.20	
30844	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	236.97	

30845	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	23.45	
30846	Dutton-Lainson, Supplies	3,048.25	
30847	Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	39.99	
30848	Hometown Leasing, Copier Lease	641.74	
30849	Inland Potable Services, Clean & Inspect Water Tower	1,600.00	
30850	Nebraska Public Health Lab, Water Testing	30.00	
30851	NMC Exchange, Pump Rental	5,511.33	
30852	Ommert Tech, Computer Lease	333.61	
30853	Southwest Farm & Auto, Repairs	16.18	
30854	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	179.85	
ACH	IRS, Federal Withholdings	2,913.38	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	2,246.39	
ACH	Nebr. Dept. Revenue, State withholdings	973.19	
ACH	IRS, Federal Withholdings	3,028.05	
ACH	Waypoint Bank, ACH Fees	17.00	
TR	Water System Extension, Transfer	1,083.33	
Tr	Sewer Improvement Fund, Transfer	1,000.00	283,769.89
	<u>Security Deposit Account:</u>		
1978-1989	Security Deposit Refunds	3,150.00	3,150.00
	<u>City Account (General Fund):</u>		
47051	Furnas County Clerk, Filing Fees	15.00	
47052-47094	Payroll	16,599.60	
47095	Ag Valley, Fuel	648.10	
47096	Amazon, Library Supplies	78.71	
47097	Anew Travel Center, Fuel	126.78	
47098	Baker & Taylor Books, Library Books	670.14	
47099	Bartley Lumber Company, Supplies	143.56	
47100	Bernie Jones Auto, Repairs	198.50	
47101	Cambridge Clarion, Publications	562.84	
47102	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	89.56	
47103	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	86.97	
47104	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	8.97	
47105	Cambridge Super Market, Supplies	57.98	
47106	City of Cambridge, Tr. to CDBG Acct	3,750.00	
47107	Common Scents, Park Landscaping Supplies	128.95	
47108	Eakes Office Solutions, Library Copier Lease, Supplies	272.91	
47109	Extreme Ag, Chemicals	245.00	
47110	Frontier, Police Phone	99.74	
47111	Furnas County Treasurer, Over Payment, Police Contract	73,544.12	
47112	Gale, Library Books	92.79	
47113	Employee Deductible	1,392.24	

47114	Maria Downer, Library Supplies	57.09	
47115	Matheson, Tri Gas, Oxygen	106.34	
47116	Miller & Associates, Flood Plain Management Fee	100.00	
47117	Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Attorney Fees	410.00	
47118	NMC Exchange, Repairs	458.56	
47119	Ommert Tech, Computer Lease	91.92	
47120	Sandry Fire Supply, Supplies	11.70	
47121	Southwest Farm & Auto, Repairs	27.08	
47122	Sunset Pool, Supplies	1,299.26	
47123	Thomas Welding, Fence Posts	345.06	
47124	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	99.96	
ACH	IRS, Federal Withholdings	1,378.09	
ACH	IRS, Federal Withholdings	20.48	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	7,679.98	
ACH	Nebr. Dept. Revenue, State withholdings	337.19	
ACH	IRS, Federal Withholdings	1,557.55	
ACH	Eakes Office, Copier Lease	146.84	
ACH	First Central Bank, Computer Loan	240.00	
Tr	General Fund Transfer	29,833.34	
Tr	Fire/Ambulance Sinking Fund, Transfer	1,552.38	144,565.28
	<u>Cambridge Swim Team</u>		
201	Tobiann Springer, Reimburse for Suits	197.00	197.00
	<u>City of Cambridge TIF</u>		
1067	Furnas County Clerk, Filing Fees	62.00	
1068	Furnas County Clerk, Filing Fees	16.00	78.00
	<u>LB840/ Revolving Loan/ HTC</u>		
4086	McCook Abstract, Down Payment Assistance	15,000.00	
4084-4087	Payroll	3,293.12	
4088	Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	24.49	
4089	Furnas County Clerk, Filing Fees	28.00	
ACH	Nebr. Dept. Revenue, State withholdings	94.98	
ACH	IRS, Federal Withholdings	388.64	
Tr	Revolving Loan	50,000.00	
Tr	HTC Account	90,678.32	159,507.55
	Total:	591,267.72	591,267.72

Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees.

Fire Department: Delaine Soucie and Darren Wulf presented information on a fire truck for sale by the Gering Fire Department. It is being sold due to the age of the rig. It is set up and ready for use, and members have viewed the rig. The Fire Department has ordered one new grass rig at a cost of \$85,000.00. The Gering truck would replace #26 which will be for sale. The Rural Fire Board will agree if City Council

approves an opening bid of \$25,000.00. The new truck with equipment will be approximately \$85,000, Soucie and Wulf advised. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn, to allow the Fire Department to bid up to \$30,000 contingent upon the Rural Fire Board agreement to pay one-half of the cost. On roll call vote Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Keith Luedders and Derek Raburn voted yes, none voted no, and Tony Groshong and Tom McCarville were absent. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Miller and Associates - Downtown Revitalization Project:

- a. A pre-construction meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 9, at 10:30 a.m.
- b. Drawdown #8 – Down Town Revitalization Project: Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn to approve Drawdown #8 to Miller & Associates in the amount of \$3,750.00. On roll call vote Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Keith Luedders and Derek Raburn voted yes, none voted no, and Tony Groshong and Tom McCarville was absent. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

Economic Development Director. Monica Lueking advised that the City is not an eligible applicant for a façade grant or eligible for funding for a DTR project. The Saddle Club supports the arena project. The Economic Development Board is asking for public input for projects. Monica reported she has assisting with the business of the month, meeting with multiple people to help with down payment assistance. Monica has participated with the Habitat for Humanity to locate a home in Cambridge. Monica said she is working on a process for applicants to submit proposals to the Economic Development Board for funding.

Utility Supervisor: Dave Houghtelling advised that staff worked one weekend on electrical due to a storm on August 2. The water tower did not have power for software to keep pressure up; had to provide backup power during the night of the storm. Bob Roberts volunteered to mow the cemetery in Donovan Mitchell's absence.

Clerk/Treasurer: Kandra Kinne gave a written report and reported Furnas County Treasurer has overpaid the City property tax dollars for the months of April, May and June and is requesting a refund of \$68,960.79. Kinne has submitted the claim for approval. Kandra reported the City has received payment from the insurance company for the new boiler at the swimming pool in the amount of \$13,076.00. Virginia Roberts is coordinating the renovations at the school house in the park and working on donations to reimburse the City for the project. A local business has qualified for a tax refund under the Nebraska Tax Advantage program. The City Council discussed scheduling the budget workshop.

Unfinished Business.

Heritage Plaza Survey: An Ordinance vacating a portion of the street and a variance for the east side of the building was presented. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor to approve Ordinance #765 on first reading. On roll call vote Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Keith Luedders and Derek Raburn voted yes, none voted no, and Tony Groshong and Tom McCarville were absent. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present. Council requested that Miller & Associates be contacted for a legal description for a utility easement. Jessica Fisher of Tri Valley Health Systems gave an update on the situation with the Plaza.

Health Insurance Proposal: The proposal was submitted for review.

New Business.

Mayor and City Council Comments: Mayor Gunderson thanked the City staff for the long hours they worked assisting Twin Valleys Public Power System to restore power to the customers after the storm on the night of August 2, 2019.

Adjournment. The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 19, 2019. Derek Raburn stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor to adjourn at 7:40 P.M. On roll call vote Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Keith Luedders and Derek Raburn voted yes, none voted no, and Tony Groshong and Tom McCarville were absent. Motion carried unanimously by City Council members present.

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

David Gunderson, Mayor