

City of Cambridge
City Council Meeting
Wednesday September 7, 2022
6:30 P.M.
Cambridge Community Building
722 Patterson St

Pursuant to notice published in the Valley Voice on Thursday, August 25, 2022, the Cambridge City Council convened in open public meeting at 6:30 P.M. on September 7, 2022 at the Cambridge Community Building, 722 Patterson Street. Present were Mayor David Gunderson, City Council Members Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Tony Groshong, and Derek Raburn. Absent and not voting was Derek Raburn. City Staff present were City Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Courtney Stanton, and Utility Supervisor David Houghtelling. Visitors present were Genny Kubik for the *Valley Voice*, John Kutnick for *Cambridge EMT*, Jessica Fisher *Tri Valley Health System* and Dean Cope. 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 6:36 p.m.

Kandra provided highlights of this fiscal year budget for October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

Property Tax Request is: \$278,508.01. Previous year the property tax request was \$288,477.00. This is down 3% from last year. Included in the property tax request is \$15,000 for the Cambridge Airport Authority, and \$17,520 for Public Safety Bond Payments. \$245,988.01 is for general operation purposes.

Total operating expenses proposed are \$5,473,431.87, Capital Improvements \$1,741,673.77, Debt Service \$464,003.16, Transfer \$1,446,965.35. Total proposed budget \$9,126,044.15.

The City has a contract with Furnas County for law enforcement. The proposed budget is \$60,550.59

Capital Expenses proposed: The Rescue department proposes \$100,000 for equipment. Cemetery \$13,000 for new mower, Park and Pool: paying final payment for the swimming pool project, \$20,450 for a new gator, trailer to haul mowers \$4,000, park mower \$15,000.00, Baseball \$10,000 from ACE funds for ball field renovations, Library \$4,000 to replace back door of the building and install a camera, Streets \$106,000 for armor coating streets, \$27,500 to replace about 110 street signs, snow plow for a truck at \$8,000, ARPA Funds of \$88,670.86 for sewer and water projects, Program Income of \$12,777 for ADA projects, LB840 funds for workforce house incentives, day/care, housing rehab projects, and business façade grants, \$40,000 to replace approximately 120 water meters, Electric - \$40,000 to trim trees, \$3,000 for pole testing, \$45,000 for downtown project, \$28,000 for pole replacement, \$240,000 for generation upgrades, \$8,000 to replace the camera system in the community building, replace north door in community room of the community building.

The proposal is \$2,700,000 for purchased power and \$66,000 for purchased water.

The City has three inter local agreements: Furnas County Sheriff for police contract, BIC Joint Water Agency, an agreement between the Cities of Bartley, Indianola and Cambridge, Village of Wilsonville for Swimming Pool Project.

There were no public comments and Mayor Gunderson closes the public hearing at 6:41. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn, to adjourn the public hearing at 6:41. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, and Tony Groshong; absent and not voting were Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaf.

Consent Agenda: The City Council received a copy of the minutes of August 15, 2022 and August 29, 2022 and the claims report. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to approve the minutes of August 15, 2022 an August 29, 2022 and the claims report. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert except claims for Ommert Tech, and Tony Groshong except claims for Groshong Construction and Derek Raburn; absent and not voting was Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaff. Motion carried for the minutes of August 15, 2022 and August 29, 2022 the following claims:

*City of Cambridge
Claims Report
To Mayor and City Council
7-Sep-22*

Period 08/16/2022 TO 09/07/2022

Check No.	Vendor, For <u>Combined Utility:</u>	Amount	Dept. Total
32904-32910	Payroll	4,902.55	
32911	Twin Valleys Public Power District, Purchased Power	241,726.37	
32912	Cambridge Post Office, Postage	297.54	
32913	void		
32914-32916	Payroll	3,257.83	
32917-32919	void		
32920	Ag Valley, Fuel	770.04	
32921	American Agri Lab, Analysis	101.50	
32922	BRICO Pest Control, Spray Buildings	67.25	
32923	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	109.60	
32924	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	128.24	
32925	Cambridge Super market, Supplies	15.97	
32926	Cambridge Telephone, Utility	780.75	
32927	City of Cambridge, Deposit Correction	10,000.00	
32928	Dutton, Lainson, Supplies	1,605.50	
32929	Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	32.38	
32930	Faw Garage, Repairs	219.14	

32931	Groshong Construction, Labor & Materials overhead door project	1,158.70	
32932	Hometown Agency, Insurance	3,065.00	
32933	Island Sprinkler Supply, repairs	415.51	
32934	Lord's, Inc., Supplies	200.94	
32935	McCook Gazette, Advertising	216.00	
32936	Municipal Supply, Supplies	5,926.44	
32937	Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab, Water Testing	410.00	
32938	Nebraska Safety & Fire, Back Flow Inspection	499.40	
32939	Paper Tiger Shredding, Shred paper	40.00	
32940	River Valley Services, overhead door project	897.02	
32941	Schaben Sanitation, Trash Pickup	817.58	
32942	Southwest Farm & Auto, Repairs	326.28	
32943	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	170.77	
32944	Weather craft of North Platte, Overhead door project	8,405.00	
32945	Western Area Power Administration, Purchased Power	5,076.60	
ACH	Payroll	13,346.94	
ACH	Nebraska Department of Revenue, Sales Tax	11,069.91	
ACH	IRS, Federal With holdings	3,810.94	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	152.09	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	2,461.24	
ACH	Nebraska Department of Revenue, State With holdings	1,079.25	323,560.27

Security Deposits:

2096	City of Cambridge, Security Deposit Payment on Account-Final bill	23.16	23.16
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City Account (General Fund):

50417-			
50440	Payroll	5,661.05	
50441	Ag Valley, Fuel	423.93	
50442	Akrs Equipment, Repairs	945.00	
50443	Amazon, Library Supplies	758.53	
50444	Arbor Day Foundation, Dues	15.00	
50445	Baker & Taylor, Library Books	16.24	
50446	Better Homes and Gardens, Subscriptions	15.00	
50447	Bound Tree Medical,	368.91	
50448	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	515.97	
50449	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	160.89	
50450	Cambridge General Store, Supplies	41.44	
50451	Cambridge Super market, Supplies	16.04	
50452	Cambridge Telephone, Utility	668.18	
50453	void	0.00	
50454	Consumer Reports, Subscription	31.18	
50455	DEMCO, Library Supplies	120.05	
50456	Eakes Office Solutions, Supplies	468.76	
50457	Faw Garage, Repairs	126.93	

50458	Furnas County Court, Filing Fee	17.00	
50459	Gale, Library Books	110.85	
50460	Greg Howerter, Deductible	7.92	
50461	Harlequin Reader Service, Library Reader Service	31.96	
50462	Johnson Animal Nutrition, Chemical	222.95	
50463	League of Nebraska Municipalities, Dues	3,300.00	
50464	Matheson Tri Gas, Oxygen	114.44	
50465	Miller & Associates, Flood Plain Management Fee	100.00	
50466	Mousel, Brooks, Schneider, Shifflet, Attorney Fees	568.75	
50467	Nebraska Life Magazine, Library Subscription	40.00	
50468	Nebraska State Fire Marshall, Inspection	81.00	
50469	Sandry Fire Supply, Light Bar, Supplies	5,008.40	
50470	Scotties Potties, Service Fee	90.00	
50471	Verizon Wireless, Cell Phones	96.94	
50472	VI aero Wireless, Library Hot Spots	351.20	
ACH	Payroll	3,678.64	
ACH	Nebraska Department of Revenue, Sales Tax	84.00	
ACH	Black Hills Energy, Utility	153.92	
ACH	Cambridge Telephone, Utility	422.13	
ACH	City of Cambridge, Utility	3,739.25	
ACH	Nebraska Department of Revenue, State With holdings	189.34	28,761.79
	<u>Pool Concessions:</u>		
572	Cambridge Super market, Supplies	8.59	8.59
	<u>LB840/ Revolving Loan/ HTC:</u>		
4580	Butler Memorial Library, Internship	1,000.00	
4581	CAMAS Publishing, Publications	706.00	
4582	Cambridge Community Daycare, Grant	3,621.00	
4583	Cambridge Telephone, Utility, Internship	1,062.92	
4584	Impact Art, Mural	2,500.00	
4585	Melissa Jackson, Contract	1,903.98	
4586	MP Design, Business Promotion	70.00	
4587	Pinpoint Communications, Internship	1,000.00	
4588	Silverlight Construction, Internship	1,000.00	
4589	Twin Valleys Public Power District, Internship	1,000.00	13,863.90
Total:		366,217.71	366,217.71

Reports of Officers, Boards and Committees

A. Miller and Associates - Nothing to report.

B. Economic Development Director Report – Facade grants have been approved and 4 internship grants have been closed.

C. Ambulance/Fire Reports - John Kutnick reported 14 ambulance runs for the previous month.

Ambulance roof will be replaced for scratches on the inside. Fire Department minutes for July were approved. Vernita Saylor made the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong to approve the Fire

Department Minutes. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, and Tony Groshong and Derek Raburn; absent and not voting was Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaff.

D. Planning Commission Reports – Nothing to report.

E. Cemetery Report – Nothing to report.

F. Library Report – Nothing to report.

G. Museum Report – Nothing to report.

H. Park Board Report – Park Board minutes from August 8, 2022 were approved. Derek Raburn made the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong to approve the Fire Department Minutes. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, and Tony Groshong and Derek Raburn; absent and not voting was Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaff.

I. Utility Supervisor Report – Dave Houghtelling reported the city repaired a sewer line north of Medicine Creek Apartments. Drained pool last week and will winterize this week. Contractor will also assist with startup in the spring and closing the fall. Splash pad has been winterized.

J. City Clerk/Treasurer Report – Kandra Kinne reported she has been working on a Resolution for acceptance of payments and cash only customers. Twin Valley has reported production and demand rates. The City of Cambridge should see no change in transmission rates or production rates.

K. City Attorney – Nothing to report.

L. Hospital Report – Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Subdivision agreement- Council discussed and reviewed Subdivision Agreement for Williams Addition and Williams First Addition. Mayor Gunderson asked council if they were in agreement with #5 on the Subdivision Agreement for Williams Addition and council stated they were in agreement. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn, to approve the Subdivision Agreement for Williams Addition. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert except claims for Ommert Tech, and Tony Groshong except claims for Groshong Construction and Derek Raburn; absent and not voting was Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaff. Dean Cope voiced concerns regarding millings on roads in Williams Addition. Dean said that he had recently had millings blow into his driveway, on his house and on deck from roads in Williams Addition. Dean questioned when the armour coating would be complete. Brad Williams stated that armour coating would be complete after utilities are ran. Brad did state that there is a wait on electrical utility supplies.
- B. Ordinance No. 805 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT; OF PROPERTY, FURNAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA; WILLIAMS ADDITION AND WILLIAMS FIRST ADDITION; PROVIDING FOR CERTIFICATION TO THE COUNTY CLERK OF FURNAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA; ESTABLISHING AND EFFECTIVE DATE AFTER APPROVAL AND PUBLICATION ACCORDING TO LAW. Derek Raburn made the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert to waive three readings. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, and Tony Groshong and Derek Raburn; absent and not voting was Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaff. Vernita Saylor made the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong to approve Ordinance No. 805. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, and Tony Groshong and Derek Raburn; absent and not voting was Mike Harris and Kevin Banzhaff.
- C. Howard Kester and Sam Jaeger could not be in attendance.

New Business:

- A. Brad Williams and Engineering International would like signatures on mylar maps. Mylar maps will be signed with the condition Brad Williams agrees with Subdivision Agreement for Williams Addition and Williams First Addition. Mayor David Gunderson and Planning Commission Chairman Jason Cobb will sign mylar maps.
- B. Resolution 2022-09-01 – Resolution to set Property Tax Levy. Council was unable to make motion as there were not enough members in attendance.
- C. Ordinance 807 to Approve the 2022-2023 Budget - Council was unable to make motion as there were not enough members in attendance.

Adjournment:

Tony Groshong stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to adjourn at 7:31 P.M. voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Jeff Ommert, Tony Groshong and Derek Raburn ; none voted no. Motion carried by unanimously by City Council members present; absent and not voting was Derek Raburn.

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

David Gunderson, Mayor