

Minutes  
City Council  
September 4, 2018

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at the Utility Shop on the 4th day of September, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same being annexed to the minutes of the meeting as Attachment #1, said attachment showing how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this notice, the same having been transmitted to each Council Member simultaneously. The Mayor presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

**Routine Business**

The following Council Members were present: Travis Goracke, Jesse Grof, Kim Jansen, Tim Kluck, Jim Reed, and Lorie Topp. Absent: None. Others present: 3 Staff, City Attorney, 2 BPW members, and 2 members of the public.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Montz read a statement of availability of current copy of Open Meeting Act.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda – Emergency Item added regarding the need to advertise for a temporary Transit Bus Driver. Motion by Reed, second by Topp to advertise for a temporary transit bus driver immediately. Voting Aye: Goracke, Grof, Jansen, Kluck, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

**Regular Agenda**

Johnson County Sheriff Report – Received monthly report.

City Clerk Report

- a. Committee Meeting Report - A summary of committee meeting actions was provided in the council packets.
- b. SENDD Annual Report – Staff has the annual report from SENDD to review if anyone would like to see it.

Street Department Report – Doug Goracke gave the report. Reviewed photo of 2<sup>nd</sup> & Broadway street conditions. Staff indicated they would be patching the area, but that permanent work would occur with the downtown square project.

Economic Development Report – Doug Goracke gave the report. He reported that he is still working on townhouse projects in Shawnee Ridge with Excel Development and that he is working with potential occupants for property on the square and at the church.

Utility Department Report – Doug Goracke gave the report. He indicated that the large town water tower will be drained for inspection/maintenance next week. The electric ring-bus project is about two-thirds complete – the rain is slowing things down. Had a few service calls over the weekend. Installing new service for the 4 new homes in Shawnee Ridge and one new service on the east end of town. They are working on preliminary engineering for a possible water project

with NioCorp. The board approved the recommendation to hire Dina Harris as the Deputy Clerk. They approved annual utility write-offs.

Parks Department Report – No report.

Ordinance of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, amending sections 1-606, 4-307, and 10-119 of the Tecumseh Municipal Code to change provisions regarding the passage of ordinances, parking on residential lots and amending the hours for the sale of alcoholic beverages. Motion by Reed, second by Kluck to introduce the ordinance and waive the 3 reading rule. Voting Aye: Goracke, Grof, Jansen, Kluck, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried. Motion by Reed, second by Jansen to approve final passage of the ordinance as presented. Voting Aye: Goracke, Grof, Jansen, Kluck, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Agreement with Schultz & Associates for audit services for the City and Keno funds. Motion by Reed, second by Topp to approve the agreements as received. Voting Aye: Goracke, Grof, Jansen, Kluck, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Rick Splichal – parking issues on 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Splichal did not attend the meeting. Discussed the parking restrictions currently present on 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The school asked for the no parking zone that was implemented a year or so ago – there were line of sight issues. Otherwise street parking in the area is first come, first serve. No action taken.

City Clerk Duties and Authorities – Discussed Clerk responsibilities regarding personnel management. Bruce will work with the Mayor and BPW Chair to clarify supervisor duties and possible changes to job descriptions or code if needed. No action.

Deputy Clerk position recommendations – The Board of Public Works recommends hiring Dina Harris for the position. Motion by Reed, second by Topp to hire Dina Harris for the Deputy Clerk position. Voting Aye: Goracke, Grof, Jansen, Kluck, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried. Wages will be discussed by the Wage Committee, with recommendations presented at the special meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion by Kluck, second by Goracke to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve minutes of the August 6 and August 27, 2018 meetings
2. Pay bills for City Funds

Voting Aye: Goracke, Grof, Jansen, Kluck, Reed, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 P.M.

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Lisa Beethe, City Clerk

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William J. Montz, Sr., Mayor