

Tecumseh, Nebraska
April 2, 2012

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in regular session in the Board Room at City Utility Shop on the 2nd day of April, 2012, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advanced publicized notice.

Routine Business

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

The following Council Members were present: Larry Carmine, Bill Baum, Kimberly Jansen, Charles Murphy and Beth Rossi. Absent: None.

Others present: Ann Wicket, Sheriff's Deputy Schroeder, Bruce Dalluge, Paula Darling, Arlin Beethe, Jim Philippi, John Baum, Brian Chaffin, Shayne Huxoll and Doug Goracke.

Regular Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Carmine, to approve the Mayor's appointment of James Philippi to fill Ward 1 vacancy. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Montz administered the Oath of Office to James Philippi for the office of Councilman for Ward 1 filling the vacancy left by the resignation of James Rine. Philippi joined the rest of the Council at the Council table.

Motion by Councilmember Rossi, seconded by Councilmember Baum, to approve increasing temporary summer wages by 25¢ an hour for all pool life guards including the head life guard. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Sheriff Deputy Schroeder distributed the monthly reports. The Council asked that the Sheriff's office watch the park for illegal 4-wheeler activity.

Mayor Montz appointed a committee comprised of Larry Carmine, Jim Philippi and Bill Baum to meet with the Johnson County Agriculture and Mechanical Society to discuss options regarding the future of the fish pond and an updated lease. The committee will report at the May council meeting.

City Attorney Dalluge stated he thought there was a signed lease which references the new ball fields and will research this and report to the Council at the May meeting. If there is no lease, he will prepare a preliminary lease for the Council's review.

Motion by Councilmember Carmine, seconded by Councilmember Philippi, to charge electricity used at the fair grounds to the Fair Board for the month of August only.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Doug Goracke reported that Olsson Associates had finished the design of the 6th Street project and was ready to start advertising for bids. Two new manholes will be installed and the concrete pavement would be 8 inches thick. The sidewalk ramps will become ADA compliant. The new concrete pavement will go from Broadway past the intersection at Lincoln Street about 20 feet. Motion by Councilmember Rossi, seconded by Councilmember Carmine, to approve the 6th Street project design. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Philippi, seconded by Councilmember Murphy, to approve advertising for bids for the 6th Street replacement project from Broadway to 20 feet past the intersection at Lincoln Street. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Economic Development Director Goracke reported that ED had purchased properties on 5th Street and on Clay Street for demolition. The city has almost spent all their energy grant money and has yet to install the rest of the street lights. The match for the energy efficient lights at the Courthouse will be paid by the commissioners.

Goracke reported that the new building was delivered and that well #1 and the large water tower in town will both need to be rehabilitated due to routine maintenance. The park bathroom needs a new toilet before it can be opened and it has been ordered.

Motion Councilmember Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Jansen, to approve Amendment #1 to the Personal Property Lease Agreement with SENDD for purchase of one additional siren through the Outdoor Warning System Project Grant with a 25% local match equalling \$4,387.25. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Rossi, seconded by Councilmember Philippi, to approve hiring Rodney Vrbka as primary Responsible Charge to oversee day to day operation for the City's TEP Downtown Project for a salary of \$12,000/year with no

benefits, per Vrbka's request, with duties beginning Jan. 1, 2012. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Rossi, seconded by Councilmember Baum, to approve purchase of laptop computer for the Responsible Charge use. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Carmine, seconded by Councilmember Rossi, to approve appointing Paula Darling as secondary Responsible Charge for the City's TEP Downtown Project. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Philippi, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1. Approve minutes of March 5, 2012 regular meeting and March 9, 2012 special meeting.
2. Pay bills for City Funds
3. Approve Resolution #12-09 requiring the City of Tecumseh to adopt a drug and alcohol testing policy that meets the Federal requirements according to the Federal Transit Administration and the requirement of Nebraska Department of Roads for the City's Handibus.
4. Approve draw down #4 for \$551.60 and #5 for \$3,075.67 from project and general administration funds for CDBG 11-DTR-004-Phase 1

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

CITY CLERK

Paula Darling

MAYOR

William J. Montz, Sr.