

Tecumseh, Nebraska
May 7, 2012

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in regular session in the Board Room at City Utility Shop on the 7th day of May, 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, Kimberly Jansen, Charles Murphy and James Philippi with Bill Baum arriving at 7:10. Absent: Beth Rossi.

Others present: Ann Wicket, Sheriff Walton, Bruce Dalluge, Paula Darling, and Doug Goracke.

There were no additions or corrections to the original posted agenda.

Regular Agenda

Sheriff Walton distributed the monthly reports and asked the Council to approve the SEADE membership. Motion by Councilmember Carmine, seconded by Councilmember Jansen, to approve renewing SEADE membership with dues equaling 72¢ per resident or \$1,260.23 for the year. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Baum, second by Councilmember Philippi to approve the scheduled 3% increase to the Johnson County Sheriff Law Enforcement contract. The contract will be \$118,449.96 for the fiscal year. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Montz asked Larry Carmine from the pond committee what he and Jim Philippi and Bill Baum had found out at the Johnson County Agriculture and Mechanical Society meeting. Carmine stated that the Ag Society wanted to appoint a committee to work with them regarding the future of the ponds knowing that neither entity has money to invest at this time. Councilmember Carmine moved to give the required 6-month notice to the Ag Society in order to let the pond maintenance agreement expire, seconded by Councilmember Jansen. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

City Attorney Dalluge explained the proposed lease agreement which includes both ball fields and areas for parking. He showed the Council a map of the areas that would be included in the lease. He stated that if the Council approves the lease, he will give it to the Ag Society for their review and approval if appropriate. Motion by Councilmember Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Carmine, to approve the proposed boundaries of the Ag Society lease for the ball fields, contingent on its approval by the Ag Society. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Montz thanked Jim and Kathy Philippi for donating a park bench in their son's memory. The bench will be used at the pool. Motion by Councilmember Philippi, seconded by Councilmember Baum, to approve the purchase of park equipment as money becomes available. Equipment would include park benches, an ADA accessible picnic table and swing. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution #12-10

Motion by Councilmember Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Philippi, to approve Resolution #12-10 allowing for the sealed bid sale of the City's 2004 Ford E Series handicap accessible van with a minimum bid of \$6,250. Bids will be opened June 1, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. Advertising will be by posting and publication. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Carmine, seconded by Councilmember Baum, to accept the Board of Public Works and Olsson Associates recommendation to reject all bids for the 6th Street surface replacement project due to unforeseen costs of replacing a well and because all bids were higher than anticipated. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution #12-11

Motion by Councilmember Baum, seconded by Councilmember Philippi, to approve Resolution # 12-11 accepting the program agreement between the Nebraska Department of Roads and the City of Tecumseh for the Transportation Enhancement Program grant. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Economic Development Director Goracke reported that two contractors will be jointly working on the demolition of 6 houses/buildings. He also stated that he had met with a representative of the State Historical Society regarding the Transportation Enhancement Grant and that he will be meeting with film producers regarding using Tecumseh as a site for a movie. The awning for the city owned building on the west side of the square will be installed soon.

Councilmember Murphy stated he had nothing new to report on the Community Building.

Utility Foreman Goracke reported that the future of well #1 will be discussed at a special meeting May 14 as will the purchase of new automatic read electric meters. Clerk Darling reported that utility deposits will go from \$250 to \$300 unless customers can substantiate a good credit history with another utility and then the deposit will be \$200. Additionally, current policy does not allow for a Friday disconnect and this will change with the revised ordinance.

Consent Agenda

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

1. Approve minutes of April 2, 2012 regular meeting
2. Pay bills for City Funds
3. Review and consider hiring temporary employees for ball program and pool as recommended by the Pool Manager Tom Doran and the Tecumseh Ball Association Board
4. Review and consider approval of Ann Curry attending the annual League of Municipality Finance Conference June 20 -22, 2012
5. Review and consider approval of Amendment #1 which changes to the contracted amount for administration of the CDBG Project #09-HO-6050 (Housing Rehabilitation Program) from \$15,000 to \$16,000 to cover final costs to complete closeout for the project.
6. Review and consider Drawdown Request # 7 from Energy Efficient Community Block Grant to Olsson Associates, Burt Gurney, Darnel Glass, Kris Davis

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

CITY CLERK

Paula Darling

MAYOR

William J. Montz, Sr.