

Tecumseh, Nebraska  
July 11, 2011

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at City Utility Shop on the 11th day of July, 2011, 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: Jim Rine, Charles Murphy, Larry Carmine, and Beth Rossi. Absent: William Baum, Boyd Mattox.

Others present: Ann Wicket, Sheriff Walton, Bruce Dalluge, Paula Darling, Ann Curry, Ben Beethe, Kim Jensen, James Jensen, Tammy Laug and Doug Goracke.

#### **Ordinance No. 11-1030**

Councilmember Rine requested the second reading of ORDINANCE NO. 11-1030 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TECUMSEH, NEBRASKA AMENDING SECTION 10-801 OF THE TECUMSEH MUNICIPAL CODE, REGARDING THE LEVYING AND COLLECTING OF OCCUPATION TAXES; ELIMINATING THE OCCUPATION TAXES FOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES; AMENDING THE OCCUPATION TAX ON TELEPHONE AND TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANIES; AND TO PROVIDE WHEN OCCUPATION TAXES ARE DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE CITY. Motion seconded by Councilmember Carmine. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Ordinance No. 11-1031**

Councilmember Rine requested the second reading of ORDINANCE No. 2011-1031, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TECUMSEH, NEBRASKA AMENDING SECTION 10-802 OF THE TECUMSEH MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE WHEN OCCUPATION TAXES ARE DUE AND PAYABLE TO THE CITY FOR CERTAIN BUSINESSES and Councilmember Rossi seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Ordinance No. 11-1033**

This ordinance was tabled for the next meeting of the Council.

#### **Ordinance No. 11-1034**

This ordinance was tabled for the next meeting of the Council.

#### **Regular Agenda**

Motion by Councilmember Rine, second by Councilmember Murphy to approve Resolution #11-09 of the City of Tecumseh allowing for the closing of Highway 136, also known as 1<sup>st</sup> Street, on August 19, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and again on August 21, 2011 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in order to accommodate the Johnson County Fair Parade. In the event there are damages to this section of Highway 136, the City of Tecumseh assumes responsibility. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

City Attorney Dalluge reported that the Fire Department merger will be finalized on Wednesday, if the vote is affirmative, and asked that the Council try and attend.

Motion by Councilmember Rine, seconded by Councilmember Murphy to approve Resolution #11-10 of the City of Tecumseh giving restricted fund authority equaling \$15,000 to the Tecumseh Rural Fire Board for the City of Tecumseh fire protection. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. City Attorney Dalluge also reviewed the process of transferring the buildings and contents to the Rural Fire Board with the Council.

Motion by Councilmember Rine, seconded by Councilmember Carmine to approve Resolution #11-11 of the City of Tecumseh allowing monthly payments of \$1,300 for nine (9) month, from Aug. 1, 2011 to April 1, 2012 to the Tecumseh Rural Fire Board in order to offset property tax. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Council discussed options for replacing the city's recycling trailer and asked Goracke to gather information on costs and prices of recyclables.

Councilmember Carmine reported that the pool manager has been filling cracks with plumbers putty and it seems to be doing a good job of holding water.

Councilmember Murphy suggested the City contact Peru State College about surplus property as the college is taking their pool out of service.

Motion by Councilmember Rossi, seconded by Councilmember Murphy to approve payment of invoice from Kriz Davis for lighting fixtures and related equipment for energy grant street lighting. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Rossi, second by Councilmember Carmine to approve the recommendation of the Board of Public Works regarding hiring part-time, temporary help for the parks and streets. The Utility Foremen will be in charge of hiring and supervising this person and the wage will be \$10.00/hour. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Councilmember Murphy, seconded by Councilmember Rine, to approve Gen Mech Contractor's Pay Application #3 (final) for products and services for energy grant work at the Community Building. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Sheriff Walton passed out his reports to the Council and told them he had hired a new officer and was looking to hire another.

Motion by Councilmember Rine, seconded by Councilmember Carmine, to approve Resolution #11-12 of the City of Tecumseh, NE authorizing the sale of firearms owned by the City of Tecumseh by live auction on July 28, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. at City Hall. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Economic Development Director Goracke reported he is working on the commercial grant program and has several applications that are waiting to be funded. He also stated that there has been good response to the new welcome sign.

Goracke reported that the Board of Public Works members signed the adjusted PeopleService contract. They also agreed to fund a water model analysis of the High Street area and replacement of two fire hydrants.

Motion by Councilmember Carmine, second by Councilmember Murphy to leave the policy for peddlers permits the same as it now. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Clerk Darling and the Council set July 21 as the Budget Workshop. The Council will meet at 5:00 at the Utility Shop Conference Room in special session to review the budget.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion by Councilmember Carmine, seconded by Councilmember Rine, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

1. Approve minutes of June 6, 2011 regular meeting
2. Pay bills for City Funds
3. Approve appointment of Mike Wendt to fill vacancy on Airport Authority
4. Review and consider approval of paying the 2011-2012 SENDD membership dues of \$1,459 and the SENDD Housing Dues of \$515
5. Consider approval of resignation of Boyd Mattox as Ward 1 Council Member
6. Review and consider declaring a vacancy for the City Council in Ward 1
7. Review and consider directing Mayor Montz to re-affirm the Downtown Revitalization Committee as the working arm of the City Council, so they can review the materials submitted by consultants to conduct any appropriate interviews, and to proceed with procurement per the format presented with the goal to have a consultant contract recommendation for City Council action at the 8-1-2011 City Council meeting or as soon thereafter as practical
8. Review and consider approval of continuing with the CDBG Consultant Procurement Process as recommended by the Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee in reference to 11-DTR – 004
9. Review and consider Resolution #11-15 Authorizing Chief Elected Official To Execute 11-DTR-004 Special Services Implementation Contract Between SENDD & City of Tecumseh
10. Review and consider approval a Resolution #11-13 of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska denying allocation of levy authority to Tecumseh Airport Authority, but authorizing transfer of funds to Tecumseh Airport Authority pursuant to interlocal agreement

11. Review and consider approval of an interlocal cooperation agreement with the Tecumseh Airport Authority
12. Approve Resolution #14 for additional parking area on the southeast side of Johnson County Hospital on High Street
13. Consider approval of Johnson County Central School using the City owned ball field

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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CITY CLERK

Paula Darling

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MAYOR

William J. Montz, Sr.