

## **JANUARY 22, 2024 CC MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Calhoun, Nebraska, was held in open and public session at 7:00, on Monday, January 22, 2024, at the Fort Calhoun Council Chamber, 110 S 14<sup>th</sup> St, in Fort Calhoun, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication, said form of notice being a designated method for giving notice, an affidavit of publication being attached to these minutes.

Advance notice of this meeting was also given to the Mayor and all Council Members. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council Members.

In accordance with Section 84-1412 sub section eight (8) of the Reissue Revised State Statutes of the State of Nebraska 1943, as amended, one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed is available to the public at this meeting for examination and copying.

Mayor Robinson stated persons wishing to address the Governing Body on an agenda item shall wait to be identified by the Presiding Officer; then, after stating their name and address for the record, may proceed to speak. No person, other than the Council and the person having the floor will be permitted to enter any discussion without the permission of the Presiding Officer. Remarks shall be limited to five minutes unless extended or limited and repetitive or cumulative remarks may be limited or excluded by the Presiding Officer.

Please note that the meeting minutes are not approved until the next regular City Council meeting.

On roll call, the following Council Members answered present: Nick Schuler, John Kelly, and Bob Prieksat. Member Andy Bowser was absent.

Mayor Robinson publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Mayor Robinson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

With a quorum present, Mayor Robinson presided, and the clerk recorded the proceedings.

Member Prieksat made a motion seconded by member Schuler to approve the following consent agenda: *December 18, 2023 City Council minutes; Treasures Report for December; January 4, 2024 Park Committee minutes; January 10, 2024 Christmas in Calhoun minutes; Maintenance Report; December 2023 Washington County Sheriff's Statistics.* With members Kelly, Prieksat, and Schuler voting "Aye", motion carried.

Mayor Robinson presented the January bills. Member Schuler made a motion seconded by member Kelly to approve the following bills: *ABE'S PORTABLES - 125.00 - SER, ABE'S TRASH SERVICE, INC. - 318.75 - SER, ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING - 362.80 - SER, AFLAC - 118.95 - BENE, 16.25 - BENE, BLUECROSS - 3411.06 - INS, BOMGAARS - 14.25 - SUP, CHASE BANK - 520.00 - PYMT, CITY OF BLAIR - 2605.35 - UTL, COLONIAL RESEARCH - 257.61 - EXP, CONOCO FLEET - 245.07 - FUEL, CORNHUSKER PRESS - 87.45 - SUP, COX BUSINESS - 525.46 - UTL, EFTPS - 1,470.46, 343.92, 855.82 - TAX, EMBRIS GROUP, LLC - 6280.50 - PROF, 740.00 - PROF, ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP - 10.45 - SER, 9.54 - SER, 92.72 - SER, HALLIDAY, WATKINS & MANN, P.C. - 103.84 - REIMB, HSA-HELMANDOLLAR - 3000.00 - BENE, HSA-KNIGHT - 3000.00 - BENE, HSA-KOUGIAS - 3000.00 - BENE, HSA-KOZIOL - 3000.00 - BENE, HSA-NELSON - 3000.00 - BENE, IDEAL PURE WATER - 26.00 - SER, JDW MIDWEST, LLC - 275.00 - SER, JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC. - 1320.00 - PROF, 1260.00 - PROF, M.U.D. - 304.25 - UTL, MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC./NE - 771.00 - EXP, MUTUAL OF OMAHA - 18.00 - BENE, NE DEPT OF REVENUE-LOTTERY TAX - 1241.00 - TAX, NE DEPT OF REVENUE - 381.41 - TAX, NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENV LAB - 515.00 - TEST, NEBRASKA SALES TAX - 2473.88, 2751.40 - TAX, NICKIE ROBINSON - 1000.00 - SER, OPPD - 3417.81 - UTL, ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC - 11.20 - SER, PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER N. R. D. - 5040.88 - UTL, 823.50 - UTL, POSTMASTER - 190.23 - EXP, SAND CREEK CONSTRUCTION CO - 4740.16 - CAPIMP, SPARQDATA SOLUTIONS - 4100.00 - DUES, TALBOT LAW OFFICE - 157.50 - PROF, AM FUNDS GROUP - 1827.55 - BENE, THE SIGN DEPOT - 144.50 - EXP, VISA - 4774.16 - EXP, WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF - 6493.76 - SER, Total - 77,573.44; with members Schuler, Kelly, and Prieksat voting "Aye", motion carried.*

Member Kelly made a motion seconded by member Prieksat to approve \$2,000 in Keno funds for Post Prom. With members Prieksat, Schuler, and Kelly voting "Aye", motion carried.

Mike Smith discussed starting up a Neighborhood Watch Program. He explained that there could be multiple neighborhood watch parties in town in different areas. He said to get ahold of him if anyone is interested in getting it started up. Sheriff Robinson said they support it 100%.

Council discussed the request from Lisa Oliver to vacate the alley in Block 106. They were all in favor of the vacate and it will be put into an ordinance for approval next month. Lisa explained that they would like to do an addition on their house. The vacate will be on the agenda next month for approval.

Member Prieksat made a motion seconded by member Schuler to approve Pay Application No. 1 in the amount of \$77,623.07 from Midwest Excavating Services, LLC for the Lift Station Flood Protection Improvements. With members Kelly, Prieksat, and Schuler voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Schuler made a motion seconded by member Prieksat to approve Pay Application No. 6 in the amount of \$82,330.55 and Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of \$34,165.81 from Sand Creek Construction Company for the Adams Street Corridor Group B Improvements. With members Schuler, Kelly, and Prieksat voting "Aye", motion carried.

Lucas Billesbach, City Engineer, discussed the revised subscription to the new online platform for PlanIt CIP software in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the current \$325.00. Lucas explained that the increase would be worth it to the city because it would save on engineer costs to prepare and update a CIP plan. The city staff would be able to utilize the program and make updates throughout the year. The council would like to see a demo of the software and tabled the item for next month.

**Monthly bill review:**

December (Nov bills) - Schuler

January (Dec bills) - Mayor

February (Jan bills) - Kelly

Following a motion and vote, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

*\*Reminder: February meeting on Tuesday the 20th*

Mitch Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST: Alicia Koziol, City Clerk