

## **MAY 20, 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, May 20, 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 Andy Bowser. Member Bob Priksat 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 Schuler made a motion seconded by member Bowser to approve the following consent agenda: *April 15, 2024, City Council minutes; Treasures Report for April; April 22, 2024, Special City Council minutes; May 6, 2024, Planning Commission minutes; May 2, 2024, Park Committee minutes; April 29, 2024 Enhancement Committee minutes; Maintenance Report; April 2024 Washington County Sheriff's Statistics.* With members Schuler, Kelly, and Bowser voting "Aye", motion carried.

Mayor Robinson presented the March bills. Member Kelly made a motion seconded by member Schuler to approve the following bills: *ABE'S TRASH SERVICE, INC. - 2058.78 - SER, ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING - 369.94 - SER, AFLAC - 118.95 - , 16.25 - , 118.95 - , 16.25 - , BLAIR ACE HARDWARE - 47.98 - SUP, BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF NE - 3411.06 - , BOMGAARS - 90.85 - SUP, CITY OF BLAIR - 2680.45 - UTL, CAN SURETY - 625.00 - EXP, COLONIAL RESEARCH - 473.42 - SUP, 1462.11 - SUP, 459.32 - SUP, 215.39 - SUP, CONOCO FLEET - 678.38 - FUEL, COX BUSINESS - 524.76 - UTL, EFTPS - 1630.88 - , 381.42 - , 997.74 - , 1469.54 - , 343.68 - , 821.02 - , EMBRIS GROUP, LLC - 3624.00 - PROF, 3025.00 - PROF, EMC INSURANCE COMPANIES - 65.00 - INS, ENTERPRISE MEDIA GROUP - 9.54 - SER, 704.54 - SER, 145.61 - SER, 136.36 - SER, 114.99 - SER, 66.36 - SER, FUNFLICKS OUTDOOR MOVIES - 765.94 - EXP, IDEAL PURE WATER - 32.25 - SER, JASON BUCKLEY - 25.00 - EXP, JDW MIDWEST, LLC - 275.00 - SER, JEO CONSULTING GROUP, INC. - 6732.55 - PROF, 1057.50 - PROF, 170.00 - PROF, 1295.00 - PROF, KINGHORN GARDENS - 2750.00 - SER, LIBERTY CORE CONSULTANTS LLC - 12916.90 - SER, 11464.40 - SER, LIBERTY MUTUAL - 800.00 - EXP, M.U.D. - 116.04 - UTL, MUTUAL OF OMAHA - 36.00 - BENE, MACQUEEN - 2590.14 - EXP, 764.48 - EXP, 351.51 - EXP, MENARDS - 106.96 - SUP, MUNICIPAL CODE SERVICES, INC. - 442.20 - SUP, NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENV LAB - 30.00 - TEST, NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE - 429.26 - , 364.72 - , NEBRASKA SALES TAX - 2576.61 - TAX, O.P.P.D. - 3567.29 - UTL, ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC - 52.30 - SER, PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER N. R. D. - 5674.06 - UTL, 957.09 - UTL, POSTMASTER - 196.63 - EXP, RENEWAL SUPPORT - 599.00 - EXP, ROCK HARD CONCRETE, INC - 1455.00 - EXP, SENSUS METERING SYSTEMS - 1949.94 - , TALBOT LAW OFFICE - 525.00 - PROF, THE AMERICAN FUNDS GROUP - 2442.21 - , 2159.28 - , VISA - 1997.00 - EXP, WASHINGTON COUNTY BANK - 1911.64 - PYMT, WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF - 6493.76 - SER, WASHINGTON COUNTY TREASURER - 680.52 - TAX, YOUNG & WHITE LAW OFFICES - 1772.55 - PROF, Total - 105429.25; with members Bowser, Schuler, and Kelly voting "Aye", motion carried.*

The council reviewed the Bid Recommendation Letter and Bid Tabs received from Embris Group for the Trail Extension Phase 3 & 4, RTP 2023. The city received five bids ranging between \$545,097.65 - \$891,499.04. NLC, LLC was lowest bid.

Member Kelly made a motion seconded by Schuler to award a contract to NLC, LLC in the amount of \$545,097.65 for the construction of Groups A, B1, B2, and C of the Trail Extensions Phase 3 & 4 and authorize the mayor to execute the same. With members Kelly, Bowser, and Schuler voting "Aye", motion carried.

Member Schuler made a motion seconded by Kelly to approve the terms of a Lease Agreement with Nebraska Game and Parks for the Trail Extension Phase 3 & 4 and authorize the mayor to execute the same upon receipt of final terms. This agreement is required for the city to run the trail through the state park. With members Schuler, Kelly, and Bowser voting "Aye", motion carried.

Lucas Billesbach, City Engineer, gave an update on the Monroe Street Extension Project.

Member Bowser introduced **Resolution 2024-1 Signing of Environmental Services Agreement** and moved for its passage and adoption. Member Schuler seconded the motion. On roll call the following voted "Aye": Bowser, Schuler, and Kelly. The passage and adoption of said Resolution having been concurred by most of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the Resolution adopted and, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the Resolution and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto.

A true and complete copy of the said Resolution is as follows:

**RESOLUTION  
SIGNING OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENT- BK2432**

City of Fort Calhoun  
Resolution No 2024-1

**Whereas:** City of Fort Calhoun is developing a transportation project for which it intends to obtain Federal funds;  
and

**Whereas:** City of Fort Calhoun as a sub-recipient of Federal-Aid funding is charged with the responsibility of expending said funds in accordance with Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, policies, and guidelines applicable to the funding of the Federal-aid project; and

**Whereas:** City of Fort Calhoun and SRF Consulting Group, Inc. wish to enter into a Professional Services Agreement to provide Environmental Services for the Federal-aid project.

**Be It Resolved:** by the City Council of Fort Calhoun that:

Mitch Robinson, Mayor of Fort Calhoun, is hereby authorized to sign the attached Environmental Services agreement between the City of Fort Calhoun, Nebraska and SRF Consulting Group, Inc.

NDOT Project Number: T AP-89(36)

NDOT Control Number: 22926

NDOT Project Description: Fort Calhoun with Safe Transportation Alternatives

Adopted this 20th day of May 2024 at Fort Calhoun, Nebraska.

Attest:  
Alicia Koziol  
City Clerk

Council discussed adding "No Parking" signs on Lincoln Street from 14th Street to city limits (Co Rd P43). Mayor Robinson commented that this is normally not an issue but when there are events at the school it is very difficult for traffic to get through. Lucas commented that it is a safety concern to allow parking on Lincoln Street by the school and believes it is a good idea to have no parking on both sides. This item will be on next months agenda for approval.

Council discussed adding a three way stop at 13th Street and Stevenson Street. Mayor Robinson mentioned that a dog was hit in this area and that people often speed on 13<sup>th</sup> Street. This item will be on next months agenda for approval.

**Monthly bill review:**

February (Jan bills) - Kelly

April (March bills) - Mayor Robinson

May (April bills) - Schuler

June (May bills) – Prieksat

After a vote, Mayor Robinson stated for the record, the motion was made, seconded and carried for the council to go into closed session, necessary for the protection of the public interest, to discuss property negotiations at 7:24 p.m.

Mayor Robinson declared the meeting in open session at 7:30 p.m. No action was taken.

Following a motion and vote, Mayor Robinson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Mitch Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST: Alicia Koziol, City Clerk