

## **January 16, 2024**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024, at 6:00 o' clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Harkendorff called the meeting to order and Clerk Nussbaum recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. Absent: Buckminster. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, a designated method for giving notice as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the mayor and all persons of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Harkendorff 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 posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person Ferguson to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: *WHEREAS*, certain business of the City Council (Council) of the City of Falls City (City) transpires on a regular and routine basis or is not of controversial nature; and *WHEREAS*, roll call votes on each individual issue greatly extend the meeting time. *NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED* BY the City Council that in the interest of economizing time, yet complying with the Public Meeting Laws of the State of Nebraska, which require roll call voting, the following issues are hereby consolidated in this Consent Resolution: 1. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the minutes from the January 2, 2024 regular meeting is hereby approved. 2. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the agenda for January 16, 2024, is hereby approved. 3. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the December 16 through January 12, 2024 Claims, is hereby approved. 4. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for January 16, 2024, is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

### **REVIEW OF THE FALLS CITY RECREATION/WELLNESS CENTER STUDY – APMA/OLSSON**

A discussion was held, no action taken.

### **ESTABLISHING A RECREATION CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE**

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Ractliffe to recommend formation of a steering committee for Recreation Center and an Event Center. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

### **EDGE QUARTERLY REPORT: JANUARY 2024 – LUCAS FROESCHL, EDGE DIRECTOR**

Lucas Froeschl presented the EDGE Quarterly Report.

### **AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR THE 2023 DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION GRANT PROJECT 23DTR006 -**

#### **SEND**

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Leyden to authorize execution of the Professional Services Agreement with Southeast Nebraska Development District for the 2023 Downtown Revitalization Grant Project 23DTR006. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**REQUEST TO RENT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM AND TO ALLOW ALCOHOL TO BE SERVED ON FEBRUARY 24, 2024 FOR THE FALLS CITY JAYCEES WRESTLING EVENT – FALLS CITY JAYCEES**

A motion was made by Council member Leyden and seconded by Council member Ractliffe to approve the request as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**REVIEW OF DRAFT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY & NON-EMERGENCY DISPATCHING SERVICES FOR RICHARDSON COUNTY**

A motion was made by Council member Ractliffe and seconded by Council member Ferguson to recommend submittal of draft agreement to Richardson County with revisions to term and dispute resolution. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR A TOTAL OF TWO (2) ADDITIONAL DISPATCHER JOB OPENINGS CONTINGENT ON INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH RICHARDSON COUNTY FOR DISPATCH SERVICES**

A motion was made by Council member Holle and seconded by Council member Rhodd to authorize advertisement of additional positions contingent upon Interlocal Agreement. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**AWARD OF THE 2023 STREET IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE I (FC PROJECT 24-1002) TO CONSTRUCTORS, INC. AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – TREVOR CAMPBELL, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Holle to approve award of the project as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE PROPOSAL WITH FARRIS ENGINEERING FOR AN ARC FLASH STUDY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS – TREVOR CAMPBELL, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

A motion was made by Council member Leyden and seconded by Council member Ractliffe to authorize execution of the agreement as presented. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Leyden, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Buckminster. Motion carried.

*THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:21pm*

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by Mayor Harkendorff and Council on January 16, 2024; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by persons of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to persons of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

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