

## **NOVEMBER 1, 2021**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, at 6:00 o' clock P.M. Council met in regular session. Mayor Bindle called the meeting to order and Clerk Cluskey recorded the minutes of the meeting. On roll call the following Council persons were present: Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. Absent: Wisdom. 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 Bindle 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.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Bindle

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Council person Leyden and seconded by Council person Ractliffe 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 October 18, 2021, meeting is hereby approved. 2. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the agenda for November 1, 2021, is hereby approved. 3. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Claims for October 2021 of the City of Falls City are hereby approved. 4. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for November 1, 2021, is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

### **REQUEST TO INVESTIGATE BIDS ON ACCOUNTING CONSULTANT**

A motion was made by Council member Merz and seconded by Council member Rhodd to approve the request to bid on an Accounting Consultant. Kevin Cluskey spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

### **REQUEST TO INCREASE MODULES FOR POWER MANAGER SOFTWARE**

A motion was made by Council member Merz and seconded by Council member Leyden to approve to increase modules from Power Manager Software. Kevin Cluskey spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

### **PURCHASE OF LAND TO BUILD EITHER SHED FOR EXISTING BUILDING OR DUPLEX ON PROPERTY – LUKE AND CELESTE JONES**

A motion was made by Council member Ractliffe and withdrew the motion. Recommendation to present before the Planning Commission. Celeste Jones spoke on 1027 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

### **APPOINTMENT – MIKE HEMPEL – POLICE OFFICER – MAYOR BINDLE**

A motion was made by Council member Leyden and seconded by Council member Ferguson to approve the appointment of Mike Hemple as Police Officer for Falls City. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING – REQUEST OF POTBELLY PIG ANIMAL PERMIT WITHIN CITY LIMITS – JENNIFER FISHER**

Mayor Bindle declared a public hearing open at 6:25P.M. to approve the Animal Permit for 1 potbelly pigs at 2516 Crook Street. Jennifer Fisher spoke. Mayor Bindle then asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or oppose said plan. Since no one else wished to be recognized, Mayor Bindle then declared the public hearing closed at 6:29P.M. A motion was made by Council member Ractliffe and seconded by Council member Merz to approve the said permit. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Ferguson, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" Buckminster, Holle, Leyden. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

**NEW SUBDIVISION REQUEST – LUCAS FROESCHL**

A motion was made by Council member Holle and seconded by Council member Buckminster to approve the request to accept the subdivision of the plat of land called North Commercial. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

**REQUEST UPDATES TO SIDEWALKS, CURBS, AND PARKING – PRICHARD AUDITORIUM – DERRICK LEYDEN**

A motion was made by Council member Ractliffe and seconded by Council member Holle to approve updates to the parking and sidewalks at Prichard Auditorium. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

**REQUEST TO RENT ARMORY FOR COMMERCIAL USE**

A motion was made by Council member Holle and seconded by Council member Ractliffe to table the motion to approve renting the Armory for commercial use. Roll was called on this motion and the Council members voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Rhodd. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Wisdom. Motion carried.

*THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:47 P.M.*

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 Bindle and Council on November 1, 2021; 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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