

**December 18, 2023**

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 December 2023, 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: Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. Absent: Leyden. 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 Ferguson 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 December 4, 2023 regular meeting is hereby approved. 2. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the agenda for December 18, 2023, is hereby approved. 3. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the December 1 to 15, 2023 claims are hereby approved. 4. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Treasurer's Report for November, 2023 is hereby approved. 5. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Police Report for November, 2023 of the City of Falls City are hereby approved. 6. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for December 18, 2023, is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Fouraker, Holle, Ractliffe, Rhodd, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Leyden. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS NOVEMBER 9, 2023 TO DECEMBER 1, 2023**

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

**AUTHORIZING TO CLOSE EXISTING NON-USED BANK ACCOUNTS DTR REUSE, CEMETERY TRUST, HUD TRUST, HUD REUSE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SINKING, LIBRARY SINKING, SOLID WASTE, CEMETERY MONEY MARKET, ARPA FUND, GENERAL FUND, UNEMPLOYMENT, LIBRARY GRANT, 911 EMERGENCY, WIRELESS 911, SEWER CHECKING, SEWER SAVINGS, SEWER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT, SEWER DEPRECIATION, UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT, UTILITY DEPRECIATION, UTILITY CUSTOMER DEPOSIT, UTILITY SAVINGS & BOND DEBT SERVICE**

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

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA LAND BANK – FALLS CITY EDGE**

A discussion was held, no action taken.

**2023 RURAL WORKFORCE HOUSING FUND PROJECT – FALLS CITY EDGE**

A discussion was held, no action taken.

**DISCUSSION – AWARD OF OOR PROJECTS NO'S R2A001, R2A007, R2A010, R2A012 & R2A015 FOR GRANT  
20HO36032 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSING BOARD**

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

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FIRE CHIEFS WITH AUTHORITY TO RESPOND AND ASSIST TO CITIES/VILLAGE  
PARTICIPATING IN THE RICHARDSON COUNTY MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT**

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

*THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:17pm*

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 December 18, 2023; 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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