

DECEMBER 20, 2021

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held in said City on the 20th day of December 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, Wisdom. Absent: Rhodd. 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 said the County did declare a disaster for the recent storm we fall under their umbrella and will be keeping track of expenses to report. Thank you to Kevin, Sandra and Ray as well as the rest of the City Employees who went above and beyond during and after the storm. Also special thank you to the Auburn BPW for sending a line crew down to assist and to Nebraska City for sending help for the power plant.

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 December 6, 2021, special and regular meeting is hereby approved. *2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the agenda for December 20, 2021, is hereby approved. *3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Police Report for November 2021 of the City of Falls City are hereby approved. *4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Treasurer's Report for November 2021, is hereby approved. *5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED* BY the Council that the Consent Resolution for December 20, 2021, is hereby approved. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

FALLS CITY POWER OUTAGE AND THE INABILITY TO PRODUCE POWER. COUNCILMAN FERGUSON

A discussion was held. No motion was made.

STONEBROOK EXTERIOR IS REQUESTING TO BLOCK A PORTION OF WEST 17TH STREET FOR THE REROOFING OF F&M BANK. ROOF CONSTRUCTION IS ANTICIPATED TO BEGIN DECEMBER 15TH AND END JANUARY 15TH

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Buckminster to approve Stonebrook Exterior to shutdown West 17th Street for roofing project. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. "ABSTAIN" Leyden. Motion carried.

ADDRESSING MEETING ON JANUARY 3 TO BE RESCHEDULED TO JANUARY 5TH

A motion was made by Council member Holle and seconded by Council member Ractliffe to reschedule January 3 meeting to January 5. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster,

Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

**ADDRESSING MEETING DATES AS THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:
FEBRUARY 21(PRESIDENT'S DAY), JULY 4(INDEPENDENCE DAY), SEPTEMBER 5(LABOR DAY)**

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

**OPEN UNION CONTRACTS FOR THE CREATION OF CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND BUILDING LOGISTICS
WORKER – KEVIN CLUSKEY**

A motion was made by Council member Merz and seconded by Council member Leyden to open contract for Code Enforcement and consider Building Logistics if budget allows. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

ALCOHOL TO BE SERVED AT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM FOR THE STOLLER/RODVELT WEDDING 4/23/2022

A motion was made by Council member Holle and seconded by Council member Ferguson to approve alcohol to be serviced for a wedding. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

ALCOHOL TO BE SERVED AT PRICHARD AUDITORIUM FOR WHITE TAILS UNLIMITED 1/15/2022

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Buckminster to approve alcohol to be serviced for White Tails Unlimited. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

33rd STREET PROJECT FUNDING LUCAS FROESCHL

A motion was made by Council member Ferguson and seconded by Council member Merz to give permission to move forward with financing of 33rd St Project. Lucas Froeschl spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

DIRECT BILLING APPLICATION WITH BOSSELMAN/PUMP & PANTRY FOR FUEL SERVICE – KEVIN CLUSKEY

A motion was made by Council member Holle and seconded by Council member Leyden to approve direct billing application with Bosselman/Pump & Pantry for fuel service. Kevin Cluskey spoke. Roll was called on this motion and the Council persons voted as follows: "YEA" Buckminster, Ferguson, Holle, Leyden, Merz, Ractliffe, Wisdom. "NAY" None. "ABSENT" Rhodd. Motion carried.

SUBMIT STATE ARPA FUNDS REQUEST FOR POWER TRANSMISSION LINE, LUCAS FROESCHL

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

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT APPROVED FALLS CITY DISTRICT VOTING MAP

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

**CONSIDERATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CRA, FORMING
INFRASTRUCURE COMMITTEE MIKE DUNN**

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:16 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 December 20, 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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