



CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

August 5th, 2025 at 5:00 PM
Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

MINUTES

Notice of the meeting was given by posting, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the attached notice, at the following locations:

City Hall, 243 East 13th Street
Post Office, 1242 Linden Avenue
City Bank and Trust, 1135 Main Avenue

Advance notice of the meeting was also given to committee members. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska, in the back of the council chambers. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Open Meeting

2. Roll Call

Anthony Fitzgerald: Present
Dan Papik: Present
Dale Strehle: Present
Present: 3.

3. Items of Business

3.A. 2025 Crete Water & Sewer Rate Study

JEO gave a presentation on the rate study. Analysis was made on the water system and wastewater system for the finances to complete the rate study. A report was written on the wastewater, and there was only an update on the water. JEO ran numbers on it and predicted some rates. Recommendations were made on the rate schedule and the first adjustment will be made in 2026, and then one in 2028 and 2030. It will start with an 8% in 2026, 4% in 2028, 2% in 2030. JEO continued to discuss the water & sewer rate study and what they propose.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to adopt the rate schedule 1 for the proposed water rate and the rate schedule 2 the wastewater rate. Carried with a motion by Anthony Fitzgerald and a second by Dan Papik.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

3.B. Consider the Certification of Subdivision Improvements for Burlington Estates

Tabled the Certification of Subdivision Improvements for Burlington Estates Tabled with a motion by Anthony Fitzgerald and a second by Dan Papik.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

3.C. Consider the Lift Station Construction Agreement between the City of Crete and Dittmer & Dittmer, LLC

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, discussed that this agreement is between the City and Dittmer & Dittmer, LLC, for a lift station. This would be at zero cost to the City. Plans and specs that the contractor will have to follow. Dittmer & Dittmer will be making the payments.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve the Lift Station Construction Agreement between the City of Crete and Dittmer & Dittmer, LLC. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

3.D. Approve maintenance plans and set bid date for the Business Improvement District

City Administrator, Tom Ourada, stated that this is what was spoken about last year to have the downtown snow removal district. Bids will be opening on August 29th, 2025 at 10:00 am.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve maintenance plans and set bid date for August 29th, 2025 at 10:00am for the Business Improvement District. Carried with a motion by Anthony Fitzgerald and a second by Dan Papik.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

3.E. Consider City of Crete engineer formally making plans and specs for lift station construction.

This goes along with what was discussed in 3.C with the agreement between the City of Crete and Dittmer & Dittmer, LLC.

Recommendation was made to the City Council to approve City of Crete engineer formally making plans and specs for the lift station construction. Carried with a motion by Dan Papik and a second by Anthony Fitzgerald.

Anthony Fitzgerald: Aye, Dan Papik: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 3, No: 0

4. Officers' Reports

5. Adjournment