

CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
March 17, 2020

Notice of the meeting was given by posting and publishing in The Crete News, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the Proof of Publication attached to the minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and City Council. 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. Additional copies are available to read. The City may consider items listed on the agenda in random order. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

1. Open Meeting

Mayor Dave Bauer called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Brian Carnes: Present
Kyle Frans: Present
Ryan Hinz: Present
Jack Oelschlager: Present
Travis Sears: Present
Dale Strehle: Present
Present: 6.

3. Consent Agenda

Approve the Consent Agenda items. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Travis Sears.
Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

3.A. Approve Meeting Minutes

3.A.1. City Council Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2020.
3.A.2. Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2020
3.A.3. Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2020.

3.B. Accept the City Treasurer's Report

3.C. Approve the Payment of Claims Against the City

4. Items of Business

4.A. Consider approving Saline County Ag Society's request for a parade on July 18, 2020 and any associated street closings.

Table the Saline County Ag Society's request for a parade on July 18, 2020. Carried with a motion by Ryan Hinz and a second by Kyle Frans.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

Table Saline County Ag Society request for County Fair Parade for further information. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye
Aye: 6, No: 0

4.B. Consider adopting Resolution 2020-08: A Resolution for a Continuity of Operations Plan in response to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Pass Resolution 2020-08 Continuity of Operations Plan addressing the COVID-10 threat. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.C. Consider approving the long-term agreement with Crete Area Medical Center wherein the Crete Fire Department will provide supplementary ALS services.

Approve a long-term agreement with CAMC for the Fire Department to provide supplementary ALS services. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Ryan Hinz.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

Pass Resolution 2020-09 establishing a long-term supplementary advanced life support service. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Travis Sears.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.D. Consider enacting Ordinance 2102: An Ordinance relating to animal regulations that restricts the number of dogs and cats that may reside in a household.

Introduce Ordinance 2102 as amended and approve its First Reading. Carried with a motion by Jack Oelschlager and a second by Dale Strehle.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

This ordinance would restrict households to three (3) dogs and/or five (5) cats. Owners would have four (4) months to sell or give new litters of pets away which are above the per household limits. The City will provide for a grandfather period of ninety (90) days for pet owners to register and comply. During the 90-day period there would be a \$20 fee added to the license fee for every pet over the limit. After the 90-day grandfather period allowing registration of additional pets, the new limits will apply and be enforced.

4.E. Consider approving the solid waste contract with Waste Connections.

Table the solid waste contract with Waste Connections to the April 7, 2020 meeting. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

There are inconsistencies between the rates that Waste Connections has been charging at the transfer station and what Crete has on record as approved.

4.F. Consider a plan for repairs to the downtown sidewalks based on the recent cost estimate.

Defer a plan for repairs of downtown sidewalks until Fall due to preliminary engineer's estimates of \$620,000. Carried with a motion by Dale Strehle and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

4.G. Consider accepting or rejecting Christiansen Construction's bid of \$370,000 for the replacement of the Wildwood Pool Splashpad.

Reject the bid of \$370,000 for construction of a splashpad at Wildwood Pool and authorize the City Administrator to re-bid next Fall. Carried with a motion by Kyle Frans and a second by Brian Carnes.

Brian Carnes: Aye, Kyle Frans: Aye, Ryan Hinz: Aye, Jack Oelschlager: Aye, Travis Sears: Aye, Dale Strehle: Aye

Aye: 6, No: 0

5. Petitions - Communications - Citizen Concerns

Crete Chamber of Commerce Director Jack Cochnar and Saline County Commissioner Phil Hartenburger commented regarding their respective organizations' response to COVID-19. Hallam resident Mary Moser commented regarding old library fixtures for the New Beginnings Thrift Store.

6. Officers' Reports

Chief Allen reported that his department has discussed and prepared as much as possible for COVID-19. They recently conducted a practice burn which was very successful. Chief Hensel reported that his department is modifying its operations slightly due to the COVID threat. Joy Stevenson reported that the library is closed to the public and that drive-through hours are 10-5 MWF, 10-7 TTH, and 10-4 Sat. Tom Ourada reported that he has met with Doane, CPS, and CAMC regarding the COVID threat, and elaborated on other changes to City operations due to COVID-19. Council Member Oelschlager reported that several local restaurants are now providing curbside pickup service and thanked City staff for their efforts regarding COVID-19. Mayor Bauer reported that the Governor will be conducting a conference call for Mayors and will relay information discussed during the call. He also reported that semi trucks continue to take a wrong turn onto Iris Ave. and would like to see a more visible sign at the intersection to prevent this.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm.

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk-Treasurer

I, Jerry Wilcox, City Clerk for the City of Crete, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council. I hereby certify that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Council Chambers. I certify 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. I certify that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting and that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public. I certify that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the City Council. I certify that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of the City Council were provided with advance notification of the time and place of said

meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

City Clerk-Treasurer

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