

SPECIAL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL

August 9, 2016

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Syracuse, Nebraska met at 6:00 P.M. on August 9, 2016 for their special meeting in the Syracuse City Hall Council Chambers at 495 5th Street. Present were Mayor Ortiz & Council members Dettmer, Gigstad, Henke and Britton. Notice of meeting was given by posting in three places. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

Mayor Ortiz requested a Council member to make a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss possible purchase of real estate by the City of Syracuse for City purposes. Council member Britton moved to proceed into Closed Session to discuss possible land purchase inviting John Trecek, Jenniffer Panko-Rahe, Jeff Vogt and Kelly Farmer to stay during Closed Session, Dettmer seconded. Roll Call: YEAS: Henke, Gigstad, Dettmer, Britton. NAYS: none.

Upon completion of Closed Session, Mayor Ortiz requested a Council member to move to reconvene in Open Session. Council member Dettmer moved to reconvene the meeting in Open Session, Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: YEAS: Henke, Britton, Dettmer, Gigstad. NAYS: none.

Mayor Ortiz opened the public hearing for discussion and Resolution No. 16-17 to authorize possible real estate purchase by the City for extension, improvement or enlargement of current system of waterworks or water supply of the City. Mayor closed the public hearing. Council member Britton introduced Resolution No. 16-17 and moved its adoption. Council member Henke seconded the foregoing motion and upon roll call on the passage and adoption of Resolution No. 16-17 the following Council Members vote YEA: Gigstad, Dettmer, Britton, Henke. The following voted NAY: none. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution No. 16-17 passed and adopted.

Mayor Ortiz opened the public hearing for discussion and Resolution No. 16-18 for reimbursement of possible real estate purchase by the City for extension, improvement or enlargement of current system of waterworks or water supply of the City. Mayor closed the public hearing. Council member Britton introduced Resolution No. 16-18 and moved its adoption, not to exceed \$5,000,000.00. Council member Dettmer seconded the foregoing motion and upon roll call on the passage and adoption of Resolution No. 16-18 the following Council Members vote YEA: Dettmer, Gigstad, Henke, Britton. The following voted NAY: none. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution No. 16-18 passed and adopted.

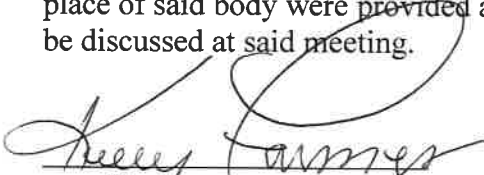
Mayor Ortiz opened the public hearing for discussion and Resolution No. 16-19 to authorize a representative to bid at an auction on the City's behalf and to sign a purchase agreement for possible real estate purchase by the City for extension, improvement or enlargement of current system of waterworks or water supply of the City. Mayor closed the public hearing. Council member Gigstad introduced Resolution No. 16-19 and moved its adoption, authorizing John Voelker to bid on the City's behalf and Mayor Ortiz to sign the purchase agreement. Council member Dettmer seconded the foregoing motion and upon roll call on the passage and adoption of Resolution No. 16-19 the following Council Members vote YEA: Britton, Henke, Dettmer, Gigstad. The following voted NAY: none. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution No. 16-19 passed and adopted.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion on the Water budget. Jeff Vogt, Superintendent of Public Works, present. Vogt pointed out the only major change on his budget is a proposed wage increase. Setovers were discussed; these will be done throughout the budget year instead of at the end. Personnel insurance costs are down. The water tower maintenance is going well, Vogt and Clerk Farmer will review the contract to see when the quarterly payment decreases.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion on the Sewer budget. Jeff Vogt, Superintendent of Public Works, present. The biggest item on the sewer budget is the sewer plant re-build aeration at \$110,000. The Mayor and Council recommend at next year's budget time, looking at starting a sinking fund. Wage i

Council member Dettmer moves to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 P.M., Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Britton, Gigstad, Dettmer. Nays: None.

I the undersigned Clerk hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting; kept continually and available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in the said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to the said meeting; that at least one copy of the reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for the examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days or prior to the next convened meeting of the body; that all news media requesting notification concerning time and place of said body were provided advance notification of time and place of said meeting and subjects to be discussed at said meeting.


City Clerk


Mayor

