

SPECIAL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL

May 31, 2018

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Syracuse, Nebraska met at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday May 31, 2018 for a special meeting in the Syracuse City Hall Council Chambers at 495 5th Street. Notice of meeting was given by posting in three places. Mayor Ortiz requested roll call, present were Mayor Ortiz and Council members Henke, Gigstad, Dettmer; Britton absent. A copy of the posting notice and acknowledgement of notice to the Council is attached to these minutes. Minutes for the May 9th, 2018 meeting were approved as written. 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 led the discussion on Approval of Claims. Council Member Dettmer moved to approve the payment of the claims, Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Henke, Gigstad, Dettmer. Nays: none.

Aflac	357.10
Aqua Cham, Inc.	2415.76
Beatrice Concrete	284.38
Blaine Reed	75.00
Bob Tlustos	150.00
Border States	1572.56
Cardmember Services	59.00
Complex Concessions	1281.40
Culligan	28.90
Derek Weiler	75.00
Delta Dental	380.42
Eakes Office Solutions	255.47
Erika Hunzeker	105.00
Farmer Bocken (Core Mark)	406.00
Gatehouse Media	61.55
Helena Agri-Ent. LLC	660.00
House Beautiful	7.97
JEO	12,224.50
Julie Slafter	25.20
Lawn & Garden – Vogt	280.00
Madeline Werner	75.00
Morgan Mueller	75.00
Micro Marketing LLC	15.30
Midwest Farmers Coop	453.75
Nebraska City Utilities	31.05
OPPD	111,351.46
Pepsi	1343.80
Pester Grading	2500.00
Petty Cash – Aqua Center	490.00
Pioneer Underground Sprinkler	941.50
Public Health Environmental Lab	269.00
Redbook	12.00
Right Eye Digital	115.00
Sam Pester	75.00
Sandry Fire Supply	82.00
Simple and Delicious	19.98
Stutheit Implement	2833.57
Suez	6236.00
Syracuse Do It Best	500.70
Syracuse High School	192.69
Syracuse Journal Democrat	52.50
Syracuse Lumber Co.	87.14
Syracuse United Methodist Church	200.00
Syracuse Veterinary Clinic	87.04
St. of NE Power Review Board	240.75

Sue Antes	25.90
SVFD	441.50
Synchrony Amazon	724.04
The Oprah Magazine	18.00
Tree City Tees	692.30
United Healthcare	12,574.70
Unum	90.51
Verizon	110.72
WAPA	2473.20
Windstream	2348.17
Writetime Communications	1878.18
Shayna Murrell	1974.39
Todd Aksamit	2142.88
Kelly Farmer	2484.99
Derek Harms	2343.33
Mark Moerer	2447.68
Julie Slafter	1776.89
Jeffrey Vogt	3330.44
Jamy Prokopec	773.41
Brian Vodicka	1721.04
Jonathan Baugous	1554.29
Brent Teten	2559.11
Patrick Bryant	1924.99
Nicole Vonderschmidt	2010.28
Rhonda Iburg	675.59
Cody Pester	616.28
Cassie Katen	18.29
Nate Hemje	521.02
Dale Young	294.80
Tim Wilson	200.00
Jody Bruns	125.00
Carol Linqvist	200.00
Craig Boldt	150.00
Chris Lutjemeyer	150.00
David Sabatka	150.00
Jonathan Cox	142.93
Madison Marrs	10.91
Caitlyn Carlson	11.59
August Levenhagen	25.21
Brayden Behrends	118.05
Brooke Hiller	112.43
Hunter Rumery	11.24
Grace Kuenning	11.24
Nicole Kimpel	11.24
Naudia Flores	11.24
Sue Antes	1733.88
Kristi Henke	181.70
Marcia Scheinost	125.00
Karen Kimpel	163.53
Tomas Ortiz	454.25
Kay Bremer	181.70
Alan Britton	181.70
Deb Dettmer	181.70
Alfred Gigstad	181.70
Patty Hogancamp	109.02
Leah Ganzel	118.56
Bruce Neemann	190.78

CONCESSIONS REPORT – Concession Manger Julie Slafter not present. Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and Resolution No. 18-17 on renewal of Pepsi contract at Sports Complex, authorizing Mayor's signature. Attorney Stilmock explained the agreement allowed the concessions to purchase bottled water elsewhere if there were an emergency and the stock supplied by Pepsi had run out; no further discussion was had. Council Member Gigstad adopted Resolution No. 18-17, Henke seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Dettmer, Henke, Gigstad. Nays: none.

FIRE REPORT – Fire Chief Bruce Neemann present to discuss approval of Brent Teten as a new member to SVFD. Council Member Dettmer moved to approve Teten as new member of SVFD, Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Dettmer, Henke, Gigstad. Nays: none.

OLD BUSINESS –

Mayor Ortiz led the Public Hearing, discussion and Ordinance No. 1039 on Application for Conditional Use Permit for wall sign at Syracuse United Methodist Church located at Lots 7 thru 12 Block 2 Gray's 1st Addition to Syracuse, Otoe County Nebraska; Carolyn Gigstad present to explain. Attorney Stilmock added the Planning Commission previously recommended the Council consider the Conditional Use Permit Application. Mayor Ortiz closed the public hearing. Council Member Henke introduced Ordinance No. 1039 and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended, Council Member Dettmer seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Dettmer, Gigstad, Henke. Nays: none. Attorney Stilmock read Ordinance No. 1039 by title. Council Member Dettmer moved for final passage of the ordinance, Gigstad seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Henke, Dettmer, Gigstad. Nays: none.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and Resolution No. 18-18 on Agreement for Garbage, Recycling and Seasonal Yard Waste Collection, Hauling and Disposal between City and Papillion Sanitation; Paul Breiterman of Papillion Sanitation present. Breiterman presented information to be distributed to the public so they can be made aware of any changes implemented or in the event they would like to change the container they're using just as an example. Attorney Stilmock asked questions as to if items are placed in different containers or bags; Breiterman explained the companies policy is a "take-all" policy but they would like customers to use the container first for garbage and/or yard waste. Garbage and yard waste will all be going into the same truck with recycling going into a separate truck. Breiterman explained the recycling issue currently happening in Vietnam and China; this is affecting larger cities by enforcing commercial businesses to sort their recyclables. Breiterman said this could start affecting residential customers if the issue does not get better. The recycling centers are getting less for the recyclables and the mills are demanding cleaner recyclables. This affects the agreement with the City if the recycling requires the items to be sorted or costs go up at the centers as this would require the agreement to be re-negotiated or recycling services would be temporarily suspended. The recycling portion of the contract would be the only part re-negotiated. Attorney Stilmock explained all revisions requested on May 25th have been made plus a revision presented regarding the recycling condition was brought forward for the Mayor and Council to discuss. Mayor Ortiz doesn't feel the revision being proposed doesn't protect the City but actually is a benefit to Papillion Sanitation. Council Member Dettmer moved to adopt Resolution No. 18-18 approval the contract as presented in its original form, Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Henke, Dettmer, Gigstad. Nays: none.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and update on 2018 GermanFest; Darin Lintner present. Lintner explained the GermanFest Committee is only \$1500.00 short on its donations needed; \$44,000.00 has been raised thus far. The fence for the area where the concert is going to be held is still in question. The goal is to take the ticket sales money and use that for the event next year where eventually the money can be put back into the community and possibly retain bigger entertainers. The area being fenced in would allow other events to be held at the location throughout various times of the year and be used more. Emergency services have been discussed as well as road closings and in the event of an emergency how this would be best executed. J Road will be closed as well as County Road 28 closed to Highway 2. Weather reports will be given around the clock. Other events happening during the day include beer and beverage Pong, an adult pedal tractor pull as well as the events from the past such as the dog races, watermelon and pancake feeds as well as others. Lintner said ticket sales are starting to increase.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion on request for SDL and street closure from 5th & Thorne to 5th & Midland Streets from noon July 14th to 2:00 A.M. July 15th for beer garden; Anthony Hensley of B&J's present. Hensley explained the map submitted previously by the GermanFest Committee would change by bringing in the gates to decrease the area for the beer garden after 6:30. The time period from 6:30

P.M. up to 2:00 A.M. would be Hensley's responsibility as well as providing his security. The insurance coverage will need to be given to the City to name the City as an additional insured at the time of 6:30 P.M. on July 14th. Council Member Henke moved to approve the street closing and SDL request. Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Dettmer, Henke, Gigstad. Nays: none.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and Resolution on Agreement between City and Five Nines for Systems Upgrade Project. Mayor Ortiz explained he and Clerk Farmer recently sat down and went through each department to see where any cuts could be made to decrease the total cost; Clerk Farmer will go through with Council Member Britton and submit the revisions to Five Nines to update the project scope.

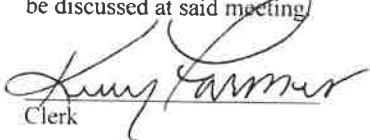
NEW BUSINESS –

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and approval of Electricians and Plumbers list. Clerk Farmer presented a list of applicable plumbers and electricians to be approved. Council Member Gigstad approved the list as provided, Dettmer seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Henke, Gigstad, Dettmer. Nays: none

Mayor Ortiz led the discussion on sidewalk disrepair liability. Currently the code reads for a city of second class if someone gets hurt on a sidewalk, the City can be held liable even though it is the property owner's responsibility to fix a sidewalk in disrepair; this would require someone to police sidewalk disrepair. Clerk Farmer will send out the issue on ClerkNet to see how other communities tackle sidewalk disrepair liability. Mayor Ortiz commented he would like to see the City get projects and issues resolved before adding more. Council Member Britton would like the Council to make a decision on the issue to help protect the City.

Mayor Ortiz asked a Council Member to motion to adjourn. Council Member Gigstad moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 P.M., Dettmer seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Gigstad, Dettmer, Henke. Nays: none. The next meeting will be held on June 13th, 2018.

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.


Clerk


Mayor

