

SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL

August 5, 2020

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Syracuse, Nebraska met at the Public Library located at 480 5<sup>th</sup> Street Syracuse, Nebraska at 6:00 P.M. on August 5th, 2020 for a special meeting. Notice of meeting was given by posting in five places. Mayor Ortiz was present and requested roll call; present were Council members Orv Gigstad, Deb Dettmer, Jerry Werner; Council Member Laramie Werner was absent. A copy of the posting notice and acknowledgement of notice to the Council is attached to these minutes. Ortiz noted the Open Meetings Act was posted. Minutes for the July 21st, 2020 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 approval of claims. Council Member Jerry Werner moved to approve to pay the claims, Orv Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Deb Dettmer, Jerry Werner, Orv Gigstad. Nays: none. Todd Aksamit 2164.33, Adam Badberg 2022.54, Tyler Collin 2032.31, Jill Crook 2411.18, Kelly Farmer 2738.95, Jessica Meyer 4348.13, Ian Mitchell 2434.76, Cody Pester 1243.66, Sam Pester 771.20, Julie Slafter 2122.49, Curtis Stanberry 2525.93, Brent Teten 2709.78, Brian Vodicka 1910.60, Jeff Vogt 3413.71, Nicole Vonderschmidt 1853.12, Gregg Wiebusch 1298.07, Sporhase 1169.80, Syracuse Do It Best 598.08, Hank's Garage 111.49, Otoe County Sheriff 15,000.00, Benefit Plans 313.75, Capital Business Systems 173.31, LARM 54.48, Border States 403.56, Dentegra 303.06, Syracuse Rescue 59.98, Bound Tree 838.74, Verizon 21.06, RTR Development 60.58, Awards Unlimited 518.87, ET's Lawn & Leisure 457.76, City of Syracuse 1467.11, U.S. Post Office 307.65, Security Equipment 1067.15, Culligan 44.00, Otoe County Treasurer 1955.25, Feld Fire 260.00, My-Lor 38.84, Gatehouse Media 317.34, Akrs 783.54, JEO 5653.00, Sue Antes 1626.97, Kay Bremer 184.70, Deb Dettmer 184.71, Leah Ganzel 564.68, Orv Gigstad 184.70, Bruce Neemann 943.29, Kc Ortiz 461.75, Sharon VanHousen 139.63, Jerry Werner 184.71, Laramie Werner 184.71, MacQueen Equip 397.84, Syracuse Lumber 190.39, Creative Sites 3188.00, Baragary Constr. 5915.00, Syr. Motor Supply 167.63, Dog Waste Depot 645.74, Unite 2306.32, Five Nines 2398.25, Beebe Carpentry 200.00, Traffic Safety Store 1490.64, One Call 31.90, LONM 4398.00, G&G Oil 493.27, NMC 1640.45, Terry's 33.56, Utility Service Co. 6236.00, Martin Marietta 442.30, Aflac 183.60, Sandry Fire Supply 195.50, State Fire Marsh. Training 50.00, Dan's Tire 760.91.

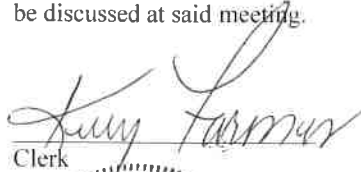
FIRE REPORT – Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and approval of 20-21 SVFD Officers: Chief Eric Fass, Assistant Chief Craig Hemje, Assistant Chief Craig Boldt, Assistant Chief Keith McWilliams, Captain Darin Lintner, Captain Adam Holz, President Tim Seelhoff, Secretary/Certification Administrator Thomas Neemann, Treasurer Chris Lutjemeyer, and Safety Officer Bruce Neemann. Bruce Neemann stepped down as Chief for the past 32 years. Council Member Deb Dettmer moved to approve the 20-21 SVFD Officers, Orv Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Jerry Werner, Orv Gigstad, Deb Dettmer. Nays: none. Mayor Ortiz led the discussion and approval of new members to SVFD. Chief Fass reported no new members to approve at this time.

OLD BUSINESS - Mayor Ortiz led the discussion on survey of City property Parcel #001157000. Jerry Werner explained the property runs parallel to a portion of Williams Park; the property has been in question in relation to private property abutting it. Council Member Deb Dettmer moved to approve to have the City parcel surveyed, Orv Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Jerry Werner, Deb Dettmer, Orv Gigstad. Nays: none.

Mayor Ortiz led the discussions on the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of budgets. Department heads were present to discuss their proposed 20-21 Budgets. Direction was given for revisions to the Library, Cemetery, Parks, Street, Utilities, General and Building budgets; all other departments had no changes. Employee wages were also discussed along with employee benefits in relation to what other municipalities similar to Syracuse in size offer. The Council would like to have time to consider wage recommendations by department heads; final round of budgets including wages will be discussed at the August 19<sup>th</sup> regular City Council meeting.

Council Member Deb Dettmer moved to adjourn at 7:42 P.M., Orv Gigstad seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Jerry Werner, Deb Dettmer, Orv Gigstad. 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.

  
Clerk

  
Mayor

