

SPECIAL MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL

September 7, 2021

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Syracuse, Nebraska met at Syracuse City Hall Council Chambers at 495 Midland Street at 6:00 P.M. on September 7, 2021 for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on it proposed 2021-2022 Budget Statement. The meeting was open to the public and notice of meeting was given by posting in five places: Syracuse City Hall lobby, First Bank of Nebraska lobby, Countryside Bank, U.S. Post Office lobby and Terry's Family Foods window. Proof of publication in Syracuse Journal Democrat September 3, 2021 Edition was shown. Mayor Dettmer was present and requested roll call; present were Council members Wesley Halvorsen, Jerry Werner, and Laramie Werner; Council Member Orv Gigstad was absent. A copy of the posting notice and acknowledgement of notice to the Council is attached to these minutes. Dettmer noted the Open Meetings Act was posted. 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 Dettmer opened the budget public hearing and discussion on 2021-2022 Budget and approval of additional 1.0% increase in restricted funds. Three copies of the proposed budget statement were present and available to the public; Todd Blome of BMG CPA's present to explain. Blome explained the proposed budget and key provisions answering questions from the Mayor and City Council. Blome provided a worksheet he created explaining how the City's valuation and tax request coincide currently and historically. Comparisons and contrasts were reviewed between the 21-22 proposed budget and current and past budgets. Mayor Dettmer asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition. No further discussion was had. Mayor Dettmer closed the public hearing. Council Member Wesley Halvorsen moved to approve the additional 1.0 % increase in restricted funds and the 2021-2022 Budget, Jerry Werner second. Roll Call: Yeas: Laramie Werner, Jerry Werner, Wesley Halvorsen. Nays: none.

Mayor Dettmer opened the public hearing and Ordinance No. 1107 on hearing, support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to proposed 2021-2022 Budget. Mayor Dettmer asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition or criticism. No further discussion was had. Mayor Dettmer closed the public hearing. Council Member Wesley Halvorsen introduced Ordinance No. 1107 and moved the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended, Laramie Werner seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Jerry Werner, Wesley Halvorsen, Laramie Werner. Nays: none. Attorney Stilmock read Ordinance No. 1107 by title. Council Member Jerry Werner moved for final passage of Ordinance No. 1107, Wesley Halvorsen seconded. Mayor Dettmer stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1107 be passed and adopted" and requested roll call vote. Roll Call: Yeas: Wesley Halvorsen, Laramie Werner, Jerry Werner. Nays: none.

Mayor Dettmer opened the public hearing and Resolution No. 21-32 on hearing, support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request. Mayor Dettmer asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition of the property tax levy. No opposition of the levy. Mayor Dettmer closed the public hearing. Council Member Jerry Werner moved to adopt Resolution No. 21-32, Laramie Werner seconded. Roll Call: Yeas: Laramie Werner, Jerry Werner, Wesley Halvorsen. Nays: none. Council Member Wesley Halvorsen moved to adjourn at 6:37 P.M., Laramie Werner seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Jerry Werner, Laramie Werner, Wesley Halvorsen. 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.

*Kathy Farmer*  
Clerk

