**FRIEND CITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING**

**MAY 1, 2018, 7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Vossler called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at the City Hall. Advanced notice of the meeting was given by publication in The Sentinel, the appointed method for giving advanced notice. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor James Vossler presided and City Clerk Debbie Gilmer recorded the proceedings. The following Councilmembers were present: Stan Krause, Phyllis Ryan, Shane Stutzman, and Harlan Schrock. A quorum being present and the meeting duly convened, the following proceedings were had and done.

As required by the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, Mayor Vossler announced that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act has been posted on the south door of the City Hall meeting room for all in attendance to review.

Mayor Vossler announced that public comments would be accepted at this time. No comments offered.

Motioned by Schrock, seconded by Ryan, to approve the Minutes of the April 3, 2018 regular meeting and the April 2018 Treasurer's Report as presented and file same. On roll call voting aye to approve the April 3, 2018 regular meeting minutes and the April 2018 Treasurer's Report, Stutzman, Krause, Ryan, Schrock. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Krause, seconded by Stutzman, to approve the financial statements submitted for Friend Community Healthcare System for the month of March 2018. On roll call voting aye, Ryan, Schrock, Stutzman, Krause. Nays none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Stutzman, that claims and payroll be approved by the claims committee, and be allowed, and the Clerk instructed to issue warrants on the respective funds to pay same. On roll call voting aye, Ryan, Krause, Stutzman, Schrock. Nays none. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows: April Payroll, 25,278.84; ACCO, su 1213.50; Ameritas, 3708.85; EFTPS, 8111.04; Baker & Taylor, su 83.18; Barco, su 1737.52; Beaver Hardware, su 41.49; Black Hills Energy, fe 330.70 & 214.17; Brothers, su 249.31; BNSF, fe 1069.33; Center Point, su 88.68; Central States, su 14,679.95; Keith Clouse, fe 250.00; CRA, fe 1780.81 & 1099.58; Core & Main, su 18,327.82; Culligan, se 50.00; Danko, se 717.05; Diode, se 46.45; Discover, su 26.86; Eakes, su 318.93; Ekeler Repair, se 221.45; EMP, su 116.48; EMS, se 207.67; EPS, re 1869.19; Exeter Lumber, su 255.60; Farmers Coop, se & su 2397.43; FVFD, 3000; Gale, su 45.73; Galls, su 152.04; Paul & Gail Gropp, fe 150.00; Johnsons, su 7.78; Menards, su 248.61; Metro Chem, su 12,816.07; Mid America Books, su 335.10; NE Dept of Rev, SWH 1198.47; NMPP, fe 767.83; NE Public Power, se 56,250.42; Nicks, su 21.07; Norris Public Power, se 5532.80 & 62.00; Diane Odoski, re 177.31; One Call, se 7.53 & 1.50; Kelly Paulsen, re 32.00; Plastic Composites, su 273.00; Principal Mutual, fe 119.33; Sandry Fire, su 15,636.24; Schindler Elevator, se 162.66; Seward County Independent, fe 40.39; Shafer, su 275.00; Southeast Library System, fe 25.00; The Depository Trust, 15,494.00; Verizon Wireless, se 326.53; Waste Connections, se 310.16; White Elect, se 1825.44 & 10.28; Windstream, se 967.63. Total Claims Approved $200,763.80.

Patrick Gates, Utilities Superintendent, gave his report. Mr. Gates reported on the status of the Cordova water issue. Also discussed was the possibility of the City purchasing the building located on the corner of 2nd Street and Main. No action was taken at this time.

Mark McFarland reported on behalf of the Friend Police Department. McFarland reported that he had received a new lease agreement for the office that is rented by the Friend Police Department. The new agreement reflects an increase in the rent from $150 per month to $225 per month. Council discussed, had no objections, and approved entering into the new lease agreement between the City of Friend Police Department and Paul & Gail Gropp and to continue renting the space currently utilized as the office of the police department, and to approve paying rent of $225 per month.

Stan Krause reported on behalf of the Fire Department.

Council discussed and considered their annual donation toward the firework fund. Motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Ryan, to donate $3000 toward the cost of the City’s Fourth of July firework display. On roll call voting aye, Stutzman, Krause, Ryan, Schrock. Nays none. Motion carried.

No further business to come before the City Council, motion was made by Schrock, seconded by
Stutzman, to adjourn the meeting. On roll call voting aye, Ryan, Krause, Stutzman, Schrock. Nays none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

James W. Vossler, Mayor

ATTEST

Debbie Gilmer, City Clerk

I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Friend, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Council on May 1, 2018; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; 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; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted and were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days; that all news media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Debbie Gilmer, City Clerk

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

**CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Friend, Nebraska will meet at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, June 5, 2018** at the City Hall which meeting will be open to the public. Agenda for said meeting is kept current and is available in the City Clerk's office during regular business hours. Request to be on the agenda must be in the City Clerk's office 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting.