**FRIEND CITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING**

**AUGUST 7, 2018**

Mayor Vossler called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. 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: Stanley Krause, Shane Stutzman, and Harlan Schrock. Phyllis Ryan was unable to attend. 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. Ralph and Katherine Drake attended the meeting to express concerns they had relating to property located at 308 Maple Street. After discussion, Council and Mayor agreed to have the Health Board convene to discuss and consider the concerns that Drake’s shared regarding 308 Maple Street.

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

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

A motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Krause, 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, Stutzman, Krause, Schrock. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried.

The claims approved were as follows: July Payroll, 33,313.95; 34 Elect, su 865.14; Adamson Ind, su 283.95; Ameritas, 4722.64; EFTPS, 10,561.21; Baker & Taylor, su 60.64; Barco, su 1477.51; Bartels Body Shop, se 250.00; Beaver Hardware, su 202.10; Black Hills Energy, fe 90.02; Blue Blossom, fe 45.00; BSN, su 2424.03; Border States, su 394.67; Center Point Books, su 88.68; Central States, su 18,626.40; Keith Clouse, fe 250.00; CRA, 2194.91; Core & Main, su 1277.10; Country, su 12.99; Country Woman, su 15.00; Crete Ace Hardware, su 59.97; Crete Lumber, su 209.95; Diode, se 46.45; Discover, su 915.30; Dollar General, su 5.90; EMS, se 26.20 & 54.90; Eakes, su 301.00; Emergency Med Prod, su 107.03 ; Farmers Coop, se & su 1954.22; FES, fe 2000.00; First Wireless, se & su 303.00; Gale, su 45.73; Galls, su 491.71; Patrick Gates, re 104.60; Paul & Gail Gropp, fe 225.00; Heath Sports, su 171.99; Holiday Inn, fe 1434.40; Stan Houlden, se 435.00; LaQuinta Inn, fe 1194.45; LONM, fe 2138.00; Metro Chem, su 10,670.21; Midwest Labs, su 191.03; MES, su 720.73; NE Public Health, se 46.00; NE Dept of Rev, SWH 1479.51 & ST, 9702.45; NE Public Power, se 72,492.55; Nick’s Farm Store, su 60.93; Norris Power, se 5570.80; Diane Odoski, re 187.02; One Call, se 6.42; Orkin, se 60.70; Postmaster, fe 256.59; Principal Mutual, fe 119.33; Readers Digest, su 16.00; Sandry Fire, su 349.15; Schindler Elevator, se 162.66; Seward County Independent, fe 12.15; Codi Slama, re 50.00; Marvin Slepicka, fe 1000.00; Taste of Home, su 10.00; The Depository Trust, fe 7503.75; USA Blue Book, su 895.08 & 298.95; Verizon Wireless, se 387.70; Waste Connections, se 310.16; Windstream, se 987.99. Total Claims Approved $202,928.60.

Mayor Vossler presented for the first of three readings, Ordinance #18-749.

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-749**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA, ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF CHAPTER 154 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA BY CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED AND SHOW THEREON (FRIEND CITY JJ AINSWORTH ADD, ALL LOT 1 & E 20’ LOT 2, BLOCK 5, AND FRIEND CITY JJ AINSWORTH ADD, W 30’ LOT 2, ALL LOT 3 & E 33’ OF LOT 4, BLOCK 5) FROM R-1 RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO R-2 MULTIPLE DWELLING DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That the Official Zoning District Map of the City of Friend, Nebraska attached to and made of Chapter 154 of the Municipal Code of the City of Friend, Nebraska, be and hereby is amended by changing the boundaries of the Districts established and shown on said map as follows:

FRIEND CITY JJ AINSWORTH ADD, ALL LOT 1 & E 20’ LOT 2, BLOCK 5, AND FRIEND CITY JJ AINSWORTH ADD, W 30’ LOT 2, ALL LOT 3 & E 33’ OF LOT 4, BLOCK 5, FRIEND, SALINE COUNTY, NEBRASKA;

be and they hereby are transferred from the R1 Residence District to the R2 Multiple Dwelling District and are hereby made a part of the R2 Multiple Dwelling District and governed by all the provisions and regulations pertaining to the R2 Multiple Dwelling District.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

Motion acknowledging the first of three readings of proposed Ordinance No. 18-749 was made by Krause, seconded by Stutzman. On roll call voting aye, Krause, Schrock, Stutzman. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried.

Patrick Gates gave his report. Mr. Gates reported that the tennis court project is complete, he reported on the status of cleaning of the water tower, and he reported of a power outage Saturday a.m.

Mark McFarland, Chief of Police, gave his report.

Ray Sueper attended the meeting to ask Council if they would have objections to, or if they would allow him to construct a building on a lot outside of the corporate boundary, without there being a dwelling on the parcel prior to constructing this shed/storage building. Council voiced no objections.

Becky Haufle with EMC, Inspro Insurance attended the meeting to request Council consider a proposal for EMC to once again become the City’s insurance carrier. After a brief presentation by Becky, along with another representative from EMC, Council agreed to consider her proposal for EMC, Inspro Insurance as Friend’s insurance carrier.

Kristen Milton, representing the Swimming Pool Replacement/Renovation Committee, attended the meeting to report on behalf of the status of this project. Kristen requested the Council review submitted questions the committee has recommended for a proposed community-wide survey. The purpose of the survey is to not only get input from the community on the possibility of a new swimming pool, but to get community input as to what project(s) they may be supportive of in the future. Kristen asked for any direction/input from the Mayor and Council and for them to get any suggestions back to her prior to the September City Council Meeting. Ms. Milton also provided information to the Council relating to area communities’ local sales and use tax rates and asked Council to consider their proposal to increase Friend’s rate by 0.5% to help fund a potential project. No action taken at this time. (See information packet provided by Kristen Milton, attached.)

Lori Moldenhauer, with Saline County Aging Services attended the meeting to request the Mayor and Council approve the annual request for funding for SCAS. After discussion, motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Stutzman, to approve request from Saline County Aging Services to allocate $2437.50 for financial support for their fiscal year 2018-2019.  On roll call voting aye, Krause, Stutzman, Schrock. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried.

Jim Ryan presented to the Mayor and Council the mid-year financial report for cash received and disbursed from Tax Increment Financing, and the mid-year financial report for the Friend Community Redevelopment Authority Occupation Tax. (See attached report/statement.) Motion was made by Stutzman, seconded by Schrock, to accept and approve the mid-year financial reports and cash statements submitted by the Community Redevelopment Authority as presented for Tax Increment Financing, and Occupation Tax from the Enhanced Employment Area. On roll call voting aye, Krause, Schrock, Stutzman. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Krause, seconded by Schrock, to approve a 1% increase in the 2017-2018 funds subject to limitation (as allowable by law) for fiscal year 2018-2019. On roll call voting aye, Stutzman, Schrock, Krause. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried.

Motion to enter into executive session at 8:15 p.m. for discussion of potential threat of litigation was made by Schrock, seconded by Krause. On roll call voting aye, Stutzman, Krause, Schrock. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried.

Motion to reconvene regular session of the Friend City Council meeting was made by Krause, seconded by Schrock. On roll call voting aye, Stutzman, Schrock, Krause. Nays none. Ryan absent. Regular session resumed at 8:50 p.m.

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, Krause, Stutzman, Schrock. Nays none. Ryan absent. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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James W. Vossler, Mayor

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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 August 7, 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.

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**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, September 4, 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.

Debbie Gilmer, City Clerk