

MINUTE RECORD

FRIEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING April 5, 2022

Mayor Knoke 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 Judith Knoke presided, and City Clerk John R. Schwab recorded the proceedings. The following Councilmembers were present: Kristen Milton, David Sladek, & Jeremy Collier. Absent, Shane Stutzman. A quorum being present, and the meeting duly convened, the following proceedings were had and done.

Mayor Knoke lead the meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

As required by the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, Mayor Knoke 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.

Motion by Sladek, seconded by Milton to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2022, meeting. On roll call voting ayes Collier, Milton, & Sladek. Nays None. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Collier, seconded by Sladek to approve the March Treasurer report. On roll call voting ayes Sladek, Milton, & Collier. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Milton, seconded by Sladek to approve the Hospital financial report. On roll call voting ayes Collier, Sladek, & Milton. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Sladek, seconded by Collier to approve the claims and payroll. On roll call voting ayes Milton, Collier, & Sladek. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

The claims approved were as follows: February Payroll, 41198.08; Ameritas, 3282.61; EFTPS, 8058.39; NE Dept of Rev SWH, 1294.89; Aqua-Chem, su 167.00; Baker & Taylor Books, su 32.80; Barco Municipal Prod, su 757.69; Beatrice Concrete Co, fe 895.89; Black Hills Energy, fe 1179.45; Blue Valley Public Safety, fe 1917.00; Border States Industries, su 109.62; Center Point Large Print, su 91.08; Jacob & Johnathan Clouse, fe 450.00; Community Redevelopment Authority, fe 5508.75; Consolidated Management Co, se 372.07; Culligan Water Service, se 105.00; Diode Communications, se 46.45; Fairfield Inn & Suites, fe 329.85; Gale, su 45.73; Hometown Leasing, fe 88.78; John R. Schwab, re 242.81; Johnson Pharmacy, su 49.96; KBK Creative Designs, 338.00; MacQueen Equipment, su 454.20; Mallory Erwin, re 237.64; Rosemarie Markus, se 50.00; Mastiff Systems, se 280.00; Chris Michl, se 403.20; Midwest Radar & Equipment, se 80.00; Ne Municipal Power Pool, fe 842.06; Ne Public Health Enviro lab, fe 30.00; NE public Power District, se 55,060.17; National Arbor Day Foundation, fe 20.00; National Safety Council Neber., su 198.04; Norris Public Power District, fe 6285.05; Diane Odoski, re 443.50; one Call Concepts, se 17.52; Ramada, fe 929.50; Sandry Fire Supply, su 542.65; Sensus USA Inc, fe 1949.94; Seward County Independent, fe 566.46; Marvin Slepicka,

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fe 2000.00; Southeast Library System, fe 25.00; Scholl Enterprises Inc/Steves Repair, fe 743.83; Stryker Sales Corp, su 16619.65; The Nebraska Signal, fe 35.00; Darla Welch, fe 450.00; Young's Welding, 90.00: Total Claims Approved 155014.31

Discussion on fees, wages, and personnel for the pool. Motion by Milton, seconded by Sladek to raise the price of family pass to \$120. On roll call voting ayes Sladek, Milton, & Collier. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Collier, seconded by Sladek to hire Heather Black as manager, Stacy Kirchoff, & Shannon Steckly as assistant manager, and Ashley Cruz for an on-call basis wages set \$12.00 - \$14.75. On roll call voting ayes Collier, Milton, & Sladek. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Sladek, seconded by Collier to hire all lifeguard applicant's wages set at \$9.00 with \$.25 per year returning. On roll call voting ayes Collier, Milton, & Sladek. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Milton, seconded by Sladek To hire Craig Bontrager, independent building inspector fees set at \$75 per building, \$25 hourly to write report, and \$.59 per mile. On roll call voting ayes Sladek, Milton, & Collier. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Collier, seconded by Milton to stay with Principal Insurance allowing a rate of \$61.43 per employee for Life, & AD&D Insurance. On roll call voting ayes Milton, Collier, & Sladek. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

Motion by Collier, seconded by Sladek to approve the vacant property letter template. On roll call voting ayes Collier, Sladek & Milton. Nays none Absent Stutzman.

Discussion on signs being placed at the city dump. Decide to have Billy Baugh talk with Marvin.

Discussion on the use of the city's EIN. More information requested.

Discussion on moving the Gilbert Headstone to the city library. More information needed.

Discussion of creating ordinance regarding Owners picking up their pets' excrement. No action was taken.

Mayor Knoke reported on the Friend Community Healthcare Systems. Audit is completed.

Mark Stutzman building inspector reported many fence permits have been submitted, and one possible new build.

Fire chief Brent Milton reported they had a meeting with Davis Designs on Tuesday March 29th. Fee for design, pricing, working drawings, and cost estimate will cost \$5000.00.

Chief Shawn Gray reported that Officer Smith graduates next week. Will coordinate with department heads to schedule CPR class.

President Milton commented on the Pool. Walkthrough is April 13.

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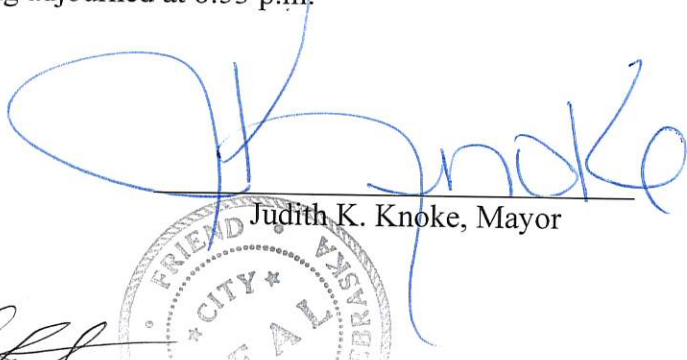
Billy Baugh public Works Supervisor presented his report. Motion by Sladek, seconded by Collier to hire Nathan Hanneman as seasonal help at \$12.50 hourly. On roll call voting ayes Collier, & Sladek. Milton abstains. Mayor voting aye. Nays none. Absent Stutzman.

John R. Schwab City Clerk presented his report.

No further business to come before the City Council, motion was made by Collier, seconded by Sladek, to adjourn the meeting. On roll call voting aye, Sladek, Collier, & Milton. Nays none. Absent Stutzman. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

ATTEST


John R. Schwab, City Clerk


Judith K. Knoke, Mayor

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 April 5, 2022; 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.


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, May 3, 2022**, 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.

John R. Schwab, City Clerk