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FRIEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING February 6, 2024

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 & Phyllis Schwab. A quorum being present, and the meeting duly convened, the following proceedings were had and done.

Mayor Knoke led 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 Schwab, seconded by Milton to approve the minutes from January 2, 2024, regular meeting. On roll call voting aye Sladek, Collier, Milton, and Schwab. Nays none.

Motion by Collier, seconded by Schwab to approve the January Treasurer report. On roll call voting aye Milton, Sladek, Schwab, and Collier. Nays none.

Motion by Schwab, seconded by Collier to approve the claims and payroll. On roll call voting aye Sladek, Milton, Collier, and Schwab. Nays none.

Motion by Schwab, seconded by Collier to approve the Hospital financials. On roll call voting aye Schwab, Collier, Milton, and Sladek. Nays none.

The claims approved were as follows: Jan Payroll, 34817.83; EFTPS, 10154.28; NE Dept of Rev SWH, 1774.42 ; Ameritas life Ins, fe 4628.11; 34 Electric LLC, se 807.36; Baker& Taylor Books, su 87.22; Beaver Hardware, su 7.79; Black Hills Energy, fe 958.38; BCBS of NE, fe 2962.12; Brother's Equipment, su 22.00; Caterpillar Financial Servies Corp, se 7250.00; Center Point Large Print, su 93.48; Jacob & Johnathan Clouse, fe 850.00; CRA, fe 19461.62; Diode Comm, fe 46.45; Eakes Office, su 617.29; Farmers Union COOP, su 586.08; Friend Insurance Center, fe 157.00; Gale, su 94.46; Hometown Leasing, fe 93.01; Jones Automotive, se 1027.36; Midwest Labs, se 31.55; Mutual of Omaha, se 448.50; NE Public Health Envior Lab, se 30.00;NMC Exchange LLC, fe 1062.00; National Arbor Day Foundation, fe 20.00; Nebr Sign, se 429.00; nnickel Automotive, se 78.06; Diane Odoski, re 200.71; One Call Concepts, fe 8.38; Power manager, su 339.24; Qwik 6, fe 2593.94; Sargent Drilling, se 6474.90; Marvin Slepika,,fe 2000.00; USA Blue Book, su 2153.90; Verizon Wireless, se 89.48. Total Claims Approved: 102568.32

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The Mayor moved the following agenda items up and gave a copy to Board President Kristen Milton.

Potential Street Superintendent - Representative from JEO, Miller & Associates, and Oak creek Engineering were present to answer questions about their respective firms. No action taken.

Jim Ryan CRA – Jim gave the year end report for the Community Redevelopment Authority.

Motion by Sladek, seconded by Milton to approve the CRA report and allow the Mayor to sign the report. On roll call voting aye Collier, Schwab, Milton, and Sladek. Nay none.

Motion by Sladek, seconded by Schwab to approve the TIF report and allow the Mayor to sign the report. On roll call voting aye Milton, Sladek, Collier and Schwab. Nay none.

Mayor Knoke left at 7:50 pm President Milton took over the meeting.

Police report – Chief Shawn Gray gave his report.

Fire Department – Chief Brent Milton gave an update on the progress of a new Firehall.

Hospital – Jared Chaffin & Dr. Dodge reported on the status of the hospital. Getting close to being granted the REH designation.

President Milton introduced and read Ordinance 24 -805

First of three readings

ORDINANCE NO. 24-805

AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT A VARIANCE TO THE ZONING REGULATIONS WITH REGARD TO FRIEND CITY, NORTH 45' OF LOT 191 & ALL LOT 192, IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL #760028885, IN THE CITY OF FRIEND, NEBRASKA; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

No action taken.

President Milton introduced and read Ordinance 24-806

First of three readings

ORDINANCE NO. 24-806

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING A CHANGE IN BOUNDARY LINE FOR THE PROPERTIES LOCATED IN A MINOR PLAT OF LOTS 1, 3, AND 4, BLOCK 2 MILTON BROTHERS ADDITION, LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 28 T8N R1E OF THE 6TH P.M., CITY OF FRIEND, SALINE COUNTY, NEBRASKA; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

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Motion by Sladek, seconded by Collier to waive the three reading of Ordinance 24-806. On roll call voting aye Schwab, Milton, Collier, and Sladek. Nays none.

Motion by Collier, seconded by Schwab to approve Ord 24-806. On roll call voting aye Sladek, Schwab, Collier, and Milton. Nays none.

President Milton introduced and read Resolution 24-01

Resolution 24-01

Signing of the year-end certification of Street Superintendent 2023

Motion by Schwab, seconded by Sladek to approve Res 24-01. On roll call voting aye Collier, Milton, Sladek, and Schwab. Nays none.

Motion by Schwab, seconded by Sladek to approve the Special Designated License for the Ford Banka American Legion Post #183. On roll call voting aye Milton, Schwab, Sladek, and Collier. Nays none.

Motion by Sladek, seconded by Schwab to approve the Mayor to sign the documents sent by SENDD. On roll call voting aye Milton, Sladek, Schwab, and Collier. Nays none.

No further business to come before the City Council, motion was made by Sladek, seconded by Schwab, to adjourn the meeting. On roll call voting aye Sladek, Schwab, Collier, and Milton. Nays none. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

ATTEST


John R. Schwab, City Clerk/Treasurer


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 February 6, 2024; 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

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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 March 5, 2024**, 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/Treasurer