

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 22, 2003 Council Session

Item C1

Recognition of the Nebraska Sports Baseball Team for Winning the State Championship Title for 13 and Under Age Group

The Grand Island 13-year old Nebraska Sports Baseball team won the USSSAA State Tournament in Omaha, Nebraska, July 3rd through July 6th. They played Omaha Athletics 12-0; Seward Swarms 11-6; Elmwood 15-0 during pool play, being undefeated. Placing 2nd seed in Tournament play for Sunday, July 6th at Sandlot Ridge in Elkhorn, only because 1st seed was to WestPoint due to a bye they received. Nebraska Sports defeated Columbus Mariners 10-2; and the Championship game was played with Seward Swarms, with a victory of 8-0 (in five innings). The team went 5-0 during the State Tournaments and had only 8 points scored against them during the entire tournament.

This is outstanding considering they had to travel the longest distance and the temperatures during these days were 98-106.

The team will now be playing in the National Championship in Council Bluffs, Iowa from July 15th-20th. Good Luck, Nebraska Sports!

Team members include: Slade Bolles, Matt Clausen, John Czaplewski, Ryan Fjiedlheim, Casey Griffin, Nick Karn, Brian Mettenbrink, Andrew Mitchell, Trevor Morris, Issac Obermiller, Jack O'Connor, Shane Oltean, and Jimmy Reed. Head Coach: John Morris and Jeff Reed, Assistant Coach: Jim Reed.

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Certificate of Achievement

Awarded to:

The Grand Island, Age 13 Nebraska Sports Baseball Team

For your outstanding display of teamwork in winning the USSSA State Tournament. Grand Island is proud that you will be participating in the national competition.

Mayor, Ken Gnadt RaNae Edwards, City Clerk