



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 21, 2004

Council Session

Item G2

Approving Minutes of December 7, 2004 City Council Regular Meeting

The Minutes of December 7, 2004 City Council Regular Meeting are submitted for approval. See attached MINUTES.

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

December 7, 2004

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on December 7, 2004. Notice of the meeting was given in the *Grand Island Independent* on December 1, 2004.

Mayor Jay Vavricek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Councilmembers Meyer, Whitesides, Pielstick, Gilbert, Nickerson, Cornelius, Pauly, Hornady, Walker, and Haase. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Gary Greer, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director David Springer, Public Works Director Steve Riehle, and City Attorney Doug Walker.

INVOCATION was given by Father Fran Curran, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 518 West State Street followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION:

Approving Minutes of November 23, 2004 City Council Regular Meeting. Motion by Hornady, second by Pielstick, carried unanimously to approve.

Acceptance of Election certificate for the November 2, 2004 General Election. City Clerk RaNae Edwards reported that State law required the governing body to formally accept the certificate of election issued by the Hall County Election Commissioner for the November 2, 2004 City Council election. Motion by Gilbert, second by Hornady, carried unanimously to approve.

Administration of Oath to Elected Councilmembers. City Clerk RaNae Edwards administered the Oath of Office to Councilmembers Scott Walker – Ward 1, Margaret Hornady – Ward 2, Fred Whitesides – Ward 3, Jackie Pielstick – Ward 4, and Joyce Haase – Ward 5. Each newly elected Councilmember thanked family and voters in their districts.

Election of City Council President. City Clerk RaNae Edwards reported that the City Council was required to elect one Councilmember to the office of Council President for a term of one year and that the Council President automatically assumed the duties of the Mayor in the event that the Mayor was absent or otherwise unable to fulfill his duties. Councilmember Gilbert nominated Councilmember Hornady. Councilmember Pielstick nominated Councilmember Whitesides. Councilmember Haase nominated Councilmember Pielstick. There being no further nominations City Clerk RaNae Edwards called for the first ballot. It was reported that Councilmember Hornady had received 6 votes, Councilmember Whitesides had received 2 votes, and Councilmember Pielstick had received 2 votes. Mayor Vavricek declared Councilmember Hornady the new Council President for 2005.

Motion was made by Whitesides, second by Pielstick carried unanimously to make the vote a unanimous one for Councilmember Hornady as City Council President. Councilmember Hornady abstained.

CONSENT AGENDA: Item G-8 was pulled from the Consent Agenda. Motion by Hornady, second by Walker to approve the Consent Agenda excluding Item G-8. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Approving Pawnbroker's Application and Official Bond for Stewart's Loan and Pawn Shop, 803 West 4th Street.

Approving the Appointments of Chad Johnson, Pat Bittner, Bruce Kleint, Shawn Messersmith to the Electrical Board and Dean Mathis and Craig Lewis as Ex-Officio Members.

Approving Appointments of Doug Hough, Eric Rose, and Ryan King to the Plumbers Examining Board and David Scoggins as Ex-Officio Member.

Approving Appointments of Norm Nietfeldt, Mike McElroy, and Loren Peterson to the Gas Fitters & Appliance Board and David Scoggins and Craig Lewis as Ex-Officio Members.

#2004-308 – Approving Change Order #1 to the Contract for Street Improvement District No. 1252 with J.I.L. Asphalt Paving Company of Grand Island, Nebraska for an Increase of \$595.09 and a Revised Contract Amount of \$34,812.34.

#2004-309 – Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Street Improvement District No. 1250 with J.I.L. Asphalt Paving Company of Grand Island, Nebraska.

#2004-310 – Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Street Improvement District No. 1252 with J.I.L. Asphalt Paving Company of Grand Island, Nebraska.

#2004-312 – Approving State Bid Award for Six (6) 2005 Ford Crown Victoria Police Vehicles from Anderson Ford of Lincoln, Nebraska in an Amount of \$132,360.00.

#2004-313 – Approving Interlocal Agreement for Library Services with Hall County.

#2004-314 – Approving State Bid Award for One (1) 2005 Chevy Impala for the Public Works Department from Husker Auto Group of Lincoln, Nebraska in an Amount of \$15,579.00.

#2004-311 – Approving Continuation of Street Improvement District 1255, Independence Avenue, Shanna Street and Lariat Lane. Steve Reihle, Public Works Director reported that Street Improvement District No. 1255 was created by Council on October 26, 2004 and the protest period ended November 22, 2004 with less than 50% protests filed.

Scott Jones, 4180 Arizona Avenue and Ray Harmon, 1222 Plantation Place representing Third City Christian Church spoke in opposition to paving Shanna Street.

Discussion was held by Council with regards to paving Shanna Street. Council reviewed the area to be paved.

Motion was made by Hornady, second by Pielstick to approve Resolution #2004-311. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Cornelius, second by Haase to approve the Claims for the period of November 14, 2004 through December 7, 2004, for a total amount of \$4,698,249.18. Motion adopted unanimously. Councilmember Pielstick abstained from Claim #86110.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk