

City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Monday, May 18, 2015

Regular Meeting

Item Consent1

Approve the minutes of the May 4, 2015 Regular Meeting.

Staff Contact: Cindy Dickinson, City Clerk

The Scottsbluff City Council met in a regular meeting on Monday, May 4, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 2525 Circle Drive, Scottsbluff. A notice of the meeting had been published on May 1, 2015, in the Star Herald, a newspaper published and of general circulation in the city. The notice stated the date, hour and place of the meeting, that the meeting would be open to the public. That anyone with a disability desiring reasonable accommodations to attend the council meeting should contact the city clerk's office, and that an agenda of the meeting kept continuously current was available for public inspection at the office of the city clerk in City Hall; provided, the city council could modify the agenda at the meeting if it determined that an emergency so required. A similar notice, together with a copy of the agenda, also had been delivered to each council member, made available to radio stations KNEB, KMOR, KOAQ, and television stations KSTF and KDUH, and the Star Herald. The notice was also available on the City's website on May 1, 2015. An agenda kept continuously current was available for public inspection at the office of the city clerk at all times from publication of the notice to the time of the meeting.

Mayor Randy Meininger presided and City Clerk Dickinson recorded the proceedings. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Meininger welcomed everyone in attendance and encouraged all citizens to participate in the council meeting asking those wishing to speak to come to the microphone and state their name and address for the record. Mayor Meininger informed those in attendance that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the back of the room on the west wall for the public's review. The following Council Members were present: Jordan Colwell, Randy Meininger, Liz Hilyard and Scott Shaver. Absent: Raymond Gonzales.

Mayor Meininger asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none. Mayor Meininger asked if any citizens with business not scheduled on the agenda wished to include an item providing the City Council determines the item requires emergency action. There were none. Moved by Council Member Hilyard, seconded by Council Member Colwell that,

1. "The minutes of the April 20, 2015 Regular Meeting be approved,"
2. "A public hearing be set for June 1, 2015 at 6:05 p.m. to consider the Redevelopment Plan for the Monument Mall Rehabilitation including a request for Tax Increment Financing,"
3. "A public hearing be set for May 18, 2015 at 6:05 p.m. to consider the Blight and Substandard Conditions Study for the area southeast of Highway 71 and 42nd Street and Adler Tracts," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, and Hilyard. "NAYS" Shaver. Absent: Gonzales.

Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Council Member Hilyard, "that the following claims be and hereby are approved and should be paid as provided by law out of the respective funds designated in the list of claims dated May 4, 2015, as on file with the City Clerk and submitted to the City Council," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS" None. Absent: Gonzales.

CLAIMS

3M CENTER-TRAFFIC CONTROL,SUPP - BARRICADE TAPE,3159.5; AE SERVICES, LLC,4th Avenue Tornado Siren repairs,325; ALAMAR CORP,UNIFORMS,490.37; AMAZON.COM HEADQUARTERS,Misc.,490.31; AULICK LEASING CORP,GRD MTC,975.65; BAKER & ASSOCIATES INC,CONTRACTUAL SVC,3757.32; BLUFFS SANITARY SUPPLY INC.,Jan sup,399.26; BRUNZ, BRANDI,SCHOOLS & CONF,174; CELLCO PARTNERSHIP,CELL PHONE,505.41; CEMENTER'S INC,DEPT SUP,164.78; CITIBANK N.A.,DEPT SUP,345.97; CITIBANK, N.A.,DEP SUP,853.76; COLONIAL LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY,Life & Dis Ins,48.7; COLORADO ASPHALT SERVICES, INC,1 LOAD COLD ASPHALT FOR PATCHING,3572.13; CONTRACTORS MATERIALS INC.,SUPP - POSTS, TAPE,867.82; CREDIT MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC.,Wage Attch,191.4; CYNTHIA GREEN,DEPT SUPPL,133.35; DALE'S TIRE & RETREADING, INC.,EQP MTC,217.72; DUANE E. WOHLERS,disposal fees,2400;

ELXSI,EQUIP MAINT,2390.71; EMBASSY SUITES OMAHA-LA VISTA,SCHOOLS & CONF,406.35; ENERGY LABORATORIES, INC,CONTRACTUAL SVC,6128; ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE INC,EQUIP MAINT,300; FASTENAL COMPANY,DEPT SUP,2041.14; FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION,POSTAGE,688.22; FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER, INC,vehicle mtn,448.13; FYR-TEK INC,SCBA part,14.95; GARTON, LYNN, School/Conf,7; GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL CORPORATION,VEHICLE MAINT,529.33; H D SUPPLY WATERWORKS LTD,METERS,57425.76; HAWKINS, INC.,CHEMICALS,3935; HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINTENANCE LTD,DEPT SUP,3544.92; HEILBRUN'S INC.,Oil and filters for Engine 1 & 2,940.11; HENKEL'S MACHINE AND WELDING,equip mtn,1709.37; HODGES, JOSHUA H,CON SRV,200; ICMA RETIREMENT TRUST-457,Def Comp,1325.14; IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, INC.,SUPP,387.58; INDEPENDENT PLUMBING AND HEATING, INC,GRD MTC,9; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES INC,Bks,99.37; INLAND TRUCK PARTS & SERVICE,vehicle mtn,53.39; IN-SITU, INC,DEPT SUP,82.95; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,Fed Withholding,59612.84; INTRALINKS, INC,DEPT SUPPLIES,2251.41; INVENTIVE WIRELESS OF NE, LLC,DEP SUP,62.95; J G ELLIOTT CO.INC.,Annual Volunteer Insurance,2353; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL,DEP SUP,198.3; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL,DEP SUP,341.68; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL,EQP MTC,1019.87; JULIUS D KONCABA,VEHICLE MAINT,3344.68; KRIZ-DAVIS COMPANY,DEPT SUP,11.67; LEAGUE ASSOCIATION OF RISK MANAGEMENT, VEHICLE INS.,211.51; M.C. SCHAFF & ASSOCIATES, INC,ENG. SERVICES FOR CHIP SEAL PROJECT,47198.5; MADER, PERRY,SCH CON,686.83; MAILFINANCE INC,Rntl- pstg,451.76; MAIN STREET APPLIANCE,gear washing machine,1550; MARIE'S EMBROIDERY,UNIFORMS,22; MATT FRIEND TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC,DEPT SUP,1602.32; MENARDS, INC,DEPT SUP,1127.09; MICHAEL B KEMBEL,REPAIR DOOR ON TRANS. SHOP,105.4; MIDLANDS NEWSPAPERS, INC,Legal Pub,16.79; MIDWEST MOTOR SUPPLY CO INC,SUPP,328.32; MIKE WARREN,OIL TANK, AIR PUMP, HOSE REEL,3526.66; MIRACLE RECREATION EQUIPMENT, GRD MTC,697.98; MONUMENT PREVENTION COALITION, CONTRACTUAL, 939.94; MUNICIPAL PIPE SERVICES, INC.,EQUIP MAINT,400; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER,NE CHILD SUPPORT PYBLE,1814.68; NE DEPT OF REVENUE, St Income Tax W/H, 17984.7, Sales Tax 26,363.65; NE LIBRARY COMMISSION, Db rwnl,1732.5; NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIPMENT INC.,FIRE EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION,441; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT,Electric,2 0169.05; NEOPOST, POSTAGE,300; NEWMAN, TIMOTHY, SCHOOLS & CONF,33; NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC. OF SCOTTSBLUFF,GND MTC, 184.61; OCLC ONLINE COMPUTER LIBRARY CENTER, INC,Cont. srvc,300.85; OREGON TRAIL PLUMBING, HEATING & COOLING INC,EQP MTC,775; PAIR-A-DICE PROPERTIES VI, LLC,SCHOOLS & CONF,166; PANHANDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC,SAMPLES,164; PANHANDLE HUMANE SOCIETY,Contract,4964.31; PAUL REED CONSTRUCTION & SUPPLY, INC,CRUSHED CONCRETE,371.84; PLATTE VALLEY BANK, HSA, 13425.23; POSTMASTER, Postage,779.7; POWERPLAN,EQP MTC,2524.18; PUBLIC AGENCY TRAINING COUNCIL, SCHOOLS & CONF,990; QUILL CORP,DEPT SUPPL,374.81; RAILROAD MANAGEMENT CO III, LLC,RENT-LAND,160.78; RAINBOW GROUP, LLC,GRD MTC,2850; REAMS SPRINKLER SUPPLY CO.,GRD MTC,170.17; REGIONAL CARE INC,INS. PREMIUM,62618.16, FLEX 378; ROHRER, JOSEPH,SCHOOLS & CONF,174; ROOSEVELT PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT, Electric, 1763.21; RUSCH'S GENERAL CONTRACTING, LLC,CONTRACTUAL SVC,5048; S M E C,Emp Deductions,238; SANDBERG IMPLEMENT, INC,EQP MTC,280.67; SCB FIREFIGHTERS UNION LOCAL 1454,FIRE EE DUES,225; SCOTTSBLUFF POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION,POLICE EE DUES,600; SCOTTSBLUFF SCREENPRINTING & EMBROIDERY, LLC,dept supplies,526; SCOTTSBLUFF WINNELSON COMPANY,DEPT SUP,71.69; SHERIFF'S OFFICE,Legal Fees,218.26; SHERWIN WILLIAMS,BLD MTC,98.88; SIMON CONTRACTORS,DEPT SUP,9447.52; SIMON CONTRACTORS,DEP SUP,472.5; SNELL SERVICES INC.,ELC MTC,105; SOURCE GAS,Monthly Energy Fuel,2126.49; SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS,ALC COMPL CKS,400; SPENCER MCMURTRY,GRD MTC,245.88; STATE OF NE.,CONTRACTUAL,420; STATE OF NEBR,TELEPHONE,7.34; STRAUB, ROBERT,SCHOOLS & CONF,48; SUHOR INDUSTRIES,

INC.,DEP SUP,110; THOMAS HINDS,Witness Fees,23.45; THOMPSON PUBLISHING GROUP INC, SUBSCRIPTION,536.99; TIM COPELAND,Witness Fees,23.45; TORRINGTON SOD FARMS, GRD MTC,565.8; TOTAL FUNDS BY HASLER,Pstg,500; UPSTART ENTERPRISES, LLC,DEPT SUPPL, 317.8; US BANK,Dep sup,682.07; VERNE SIMMONDS CO,CNT,22353; WASSON, BRIAN, SCHOOLS & CONF,48; WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION,MEMBERSHIPS,70; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,Retiremnt,28975.93; WESTERN COOPERATIVE COMPANY,GRD MTC,1426.36; WESTERN SURETY COMPANY,EMPL.BLANKET BOND,950; YELLMAN, ABBIGAIL, Reimb.,5.95; ZM LUMBER INC,GRD MTC,146.88; UTILITY REFUNDS: RANDY SCOTT 283.23; CANDO INVESTMENTS 1.46; DOWNEY'S MIDWEST STUDIO 6; IRENE KNUTSON 7.62; ALVIN VANCE 3.35.

Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Shaver, "to approve the payment of claim by warrant for Paving District #312, Reganis 12th Ave. project, and approve Resolution No. 15-05-01," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS" None. Absent: Gonzales.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-05-01

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA:

That the claim of M.C. Schaff and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$71,426.00, being the first pay estimate for Paving District #312, is approved and the City Clerk is authorized to issue a warrant for the payment of such claim.

Passed and approved this 4th day of May, 2015.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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Mayor Meininger explained that a public hearing was opened at the April 20, 2015 Meeting to consider the zone change request for Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, City Central Subdivision. The owners have withdrawn their application and are no longer requesting the zone change. Mayor Meininger asked if there was anyone present to comment on this public hearing item. There were no comments from the public. Mayor Meininger officially closed this public hearing at 6:05 p.m. He commented that the withdrawal of this requested was from the property owners and not reflective of any actions by the City of Scottsbluff.

Judy Amoo, representing the Seven Seals Award by the Employer Support of Guard and Reserve (ESGR) was present to thank the City Council and the City of Scottsbluff for encouraging support for employees involved in the Guard and Reserve. She asked Ezekiel Bowen and Jana Bode to come forward. Mr. Bowen, nominated Ms. Bode, Human Resource Director, for the Seven Seals Award, which is the highest award presented to employers. Mr. Bowen explained that when he contacted the HR Director, she was very supportive and explained the details of the Veteran's preference points. Ms. Bode accepted the award and commented that historically, the City of Scottsbluff has been very supportive of our Military personnel and has complied with all laws regarding the Veteran's preference points. She added that it was an honor to accept the award on behalf of the City of Scottsbluff.

Mayor Meininger read the Proclamation designating May 14 as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which it falls as Police Week. Police Chief Kevin Spencer accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Police Department.

Leann Sato, Stormwater Specialist, introduced Mr. Cooper, 8th grade teacher from Community Christian (the City of Scottsbluff Adopt a School Partner) and three of his students, Mary Newman, Jace Pauli and Cameron Geary. They shared the public service announcements (PSA) created by the students for stormwater and litter reduction awareness. The PSA's will be broadcast on the local television station.

At 6:20 p.m., Mayor Meininger moved, seconded by Council Member Shaver "to adjourn the Regular Meeting and convene as the Scottsbluff Leasing Corporation," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS" None. Absent: Gonzales.
(Minutes of the Scottsbluff Leasing Corporation are under separate file)

At 6:30 p.m., moved by Council Member Hilyard, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to reconvene the regular Council Meeting," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS" None. Absent: Gonzales.

Council considered an Ordinance authorizing the City of Scottsbluff to issue \$3,850,000.00 principal amount of Lease Rental Revenue and Refunding Bonds, and authorizing the Mayor to sign additional documents as needed for the issuance. Mayor Meininger introduced Ordinance No. 4155 which was read by title on first reading: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA TO CONVEY TO THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF LEASING CORPORATION CERTAIN ADDITIONAL REAL ESTATE OF THE CITY; APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$3,850,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF TAX SUPPORTED LEASE RENTAL REVENUE AND REFUNDING BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES BY THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF LEASING CORPORATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO (1) PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT AND REDEMPTION OF \$2,205,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE CORPORATION'S TAX SUPPORTED LEASE RENTAL REVENUE AND REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2009 AND \$1,285,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE CORPORATION'S LEASE RENTAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2010, UPON THE SATISFACTION OF CERTAIN CONDITIONS, AND (2) PAY THE COSTS OF A PROJECT FOR THE CITY INVOLVING SUCH REAL ESTATE; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.**

Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Shaver, "that the statutory rule requiring the Ordinance to be read by title on three different days be suspended," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

The motion carried having been approved by three-fourths of the Council Members. Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Hilyard, "that Ordinance No. 4155 be adopted," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Mr. Scott Keene, Ameritas, explained the Highway Allocation Bond that will finance the proposed road work. The bond amount will not exceed \$2,500,000.00 to cover the cost of the seal coat project, 27th Street and 2nd Avenue intersection; zoo entrance and 12th Avenue construction. Mr. Kuckkahn added that by using bond funds to finance these projects, we are able to take advantage of low interest rates and low oil prices. Council Member Shaver asked why the bond is more than the actual cost of the projects. Mr. Keene explained that this will provide some flexibility with the financing if needed.

Mayor Meininger introduced Ordinance No. 4156 which was read by title on first reading: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF GENERAL OBLIGATION HIGHWAY ALLOCATION FUND PLEDGE BONDS, SERIES 2015, OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 TO PAY THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN STREETS OF THE CITY; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND CERTAIN DETAILS OF THE BOND AND PROVIDING FOR THE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING OF OTHER DETAILS OF THE BONDS; PLEDGING FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE NEBRASKA HIGHWAY ALLOCATION FUND AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN**

ANNUAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND RELATED MATTERS.

Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Hilyard, "that the statutory rule requiring the Ordinance to be read by title on three different days be suspended," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

The motion carried having been approved by three-fourths of the Council Members. Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Hilyard, "that Ordinance No. 4156 be adopted," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

City Manager Kuckkahn presented the bids for engineering services for the utility infrastructure evaluation. Two of the four firms submitting bids were interviewed – Diamondback Engineering and Surveying and SEH. M.C. Schaff and Baker & Associates were not interviewed. Staff is recommending awarding the bid to Diamondback Engineering as the most responsible bid, which is also the least expensive at \$79,800.00. The bid from SEH was \$174,800.00. Moved by Council Member Hilyard, seconded by Mayor Meininger, "to award engineering services for the preparation of a Current and Future Utility Infrastructure Evaluation to Diamondback Engineering and Surveying in the amount of \$79,800.00," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Assistant City Manager explained that we only received one bid for the Sanitary Sewer Main & Siphon Project, and it was much higher than the engineer's estimate. Staff is recommending rejecting the bid and rebidding the project later in the year. Moved by Council Member Hilyard, seconded by Mayor Meininger, "to reject the bid received from Paul Reed Construction for the Sanitary Sewer Main & Siphon Project due to funding resources and limited bid proposals," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Mr. Johnson presented the bid for the City wide seal coat project from Topkote, Inc. This was the only bid received. The engineer's estimate was \$1.8 million and this bid is \$1,882,600.00. Public Works Director Mark Bohl commented that the last time we had this done was 1994. This project was bid by square yards and should cover all residential areas. The contractor plans to begin on June 15, 2015. Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Hilyard, "to award the bid for the Seal Coat Project to Topkote, Inc. in the amount of \$1,882,600.00," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Assistant City Manager Johnson presented a draft policy regarding a minimum General Fund reserve balance policy to be used with the upcoming budget workshop. Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) recommends a reserve of two months operating fund, however staff is recommending a more conservative reserve of three months or 25%. Staff will be evaluating the cost of essential services in the event of a dire economy and a need to scale the budget back.

Staff is projecting a 4% increase in revenues for the remainder of this fiscal year and a 1% increase in department budgets for next budget year. We are anticipating an increase in sales tax revenue for the remainder of this fiscal year based on recent reports. Council Member Shaver commented that he would be more comfortable with 0%, with an increase if revenues increase.

Moved by Council Member Hilyard, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to approve the revenue projections of 4% for the remainder of FY2014/2015 and 1% increase in department budgets for FY2015/2016," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, and Hilyard. "NAYS" Shaver. Absent: Gonzales.

Mr. Johnson explained that staff solicited proposals for beverage service for the city park and recreation facilities. Staff solicited proposals and received bids from Pepsi and Coke as suppliers. Staff is very familiar with Pepsi and they listed specific donated items and specific dollar amounts, which was preferred over the Coke proposal of paying based on sales, which is unpredictable. Council Member Shaver questioned the per unit price for the products and if we could find products for less. Staff will bring more information back to Council regarding the proposal. Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Hilyard, "to table the beverage contract with Pepsi for the city park facilities," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Regarding the annual maintenance agreement for the copier at the Police Department, it was moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Shaver, "to approve the Copier Connection Maintenance Contract for the Police Department and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Regarding the annual maintenance agreement for the copier at the Library, it was moved by Council Member Hilyard, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to approve the Copier Connection Maintenance Contract for the Library and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard, "NAYS", Shaver. Absent: Gonzales.

Assistant City Manager Johnson presented the change order for the CR24 water main installation project. The Nebraska Department of Roads is requesting an increase in the 20" bore and casing, which also resulted in additional costs for restoration of vegetation and 12" fittings. In addition, it is necessary to relocate the fire hydrants. The total cost with the change order is still less than the engineer's estimate for this project. Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Mayor Meininger, "to approve change orders in the amount of \$48,184.06 on the CR24 Water Main Installation Project for additional 20" bore and casing required by NDOR and additional materials needed for fire hydrant relocation," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Regarding the proposed annexation of property, Council introduced the Ordinance which was read by title on second reading: **AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING A PARCEL OF LAND CONSISTING OF 1,423,091 SQ. FT. (32.67 ACRES), MORE OR LESS, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 22 NORTH, RANGE 55 WEST, OF THE 6TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY, NEBRASKA, SAID TRACT OR PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BELOW.**

Council then considered the Ordinance providing for the levy of a Retail Business Occupation Tax. Mayor Meininger introduced the Ordinance which was read by title on second reading: **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AGREEMENT TO THE LEVY OF A RETAIL BUSINESS OCCUPATION TAX; THE LEVY OF A RETAIL BUSINESS OCCUPATION TAX; ESTABLISHING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, COLLECTIONS, RETURNS, DELINQUENCIES AND RECOVERY OF UNPAID AMOUNTS RELATED TO SUCH OCCUPATION TAX; SPECIFYING HOW SUCH TAX REVENUE WILL BE USED; PROVIDING A SUNSET PROVISION FOR THE TAX; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Council introduced Ordinance No. 4157 dealing with plumbers, licensing and regulations, clarifying that examinations must be given upon application for a plumbing license which was read by title on third reading: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 3 OF THE SCOTTSBLUFF MUNICIPAL CODE IN DEALING WITH PLUMBERS, LICENSING AND REGULATION, AMENDING §4-3-57, §4-3-58, §4-3-59, §4-3-60, §4-3-61, §4-3-67, §4-3-69, AND §4-3-70, CLARIFYING THAT EXAMINATIONS MUST BE GIVEN UPON APPLICATION FOR PLUMBING LICENSES, REPEALING ALL PRIOR SECTIONS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** Moved by Mayor Meininger, seconded by Council Member Shaver, "to approve Ordinance No. 4157," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Under Council Reports, Council Member Colwell informed the Council about the events of Tourism Week and shared information about the new tourism trailer with scenic Nebraska art work.

Moved by Council Member Shaver, seconded by Council Member Colwell, "to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.," "YEAS", Colwell, Meininger, Hilyard and Shaver, "NAYS", None. Absent: Gonzales.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk
Seal