REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**TUESDAY MARCH 14, 2017**

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A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Plainview, Nebraska, was held at the Council Chambers in said City on the 14th day of Mar at 7:00 o’clock P.M. Present were: Council Members: Huigens, Novicki, Naprstek, and Schlote. Absent: Mayor Seip

The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

Council President Naprstek opened the meeting and announced to individuals in attendance that a full copy of the new Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted on the east wall of the Council Chambers.

Schlote moved to approve minutes from the regular meeting Wednesday Feb 15th, 2017. Novicki seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Novicki moved to approve the minutes from the special meeting Monday Mar 6th, 2017. Huigens seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Schlote moved to approve the claims and payroll against the city. Novicki seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The Manor report was given by Juleen Johnson. Johnson met with a representative of her insurance company and Dennis Johnson from Bush & Roe. The overall increase to the policies for Manor employees by adding them to the city policy would be $18,000. City Attorney Curtiss expressed his concern on the municipal bidding process. City Administrator Holton offered to assists Juleen Johnson on ensuring proper bids would be solicited. Juleen Johnson had met with Bill Altwine who was present to discuss generator options for the Manor and assisted living with the council. Altwine stated that the generator he would recommend holds 710 gallons of fuel and would supply 24 hours of power. Questions were raised on obtaining additional bids for the generators as stated in the city code as the cost of the generator exceeds $30,000. Any costs for engineers necessary to complete the project will need to be paid for by the Manor.

Altwine also discussed a generator for the city plant and office that would help support the current back-up generators in the case of a power outage. This would help keep the phone service and emergency dispatch system functional at all times. Discussion was tabled until more information on the current generation system can be obtained for the council.

Chief Yosten presented the police report. Questions were raised on the installation of the speed signs, which will occur once weather allows. Areas that have been considered will be checked to make sure they meet all requirements from the NDOR.

Will Crane from Bluestem Energy Solutions of Omaha presented on alternative energy sources, in particular solar power. Bluestem focuses on smaller projects involving wind and solar power with all energy sent directly to the city distribution lines. The city is then billed for the energy by Bluestem, much like the city is currently billed by MEAN and WAPA. The city would have no fuel costs, no upfront cost for the project and the price is locked for 25 years. A power purchase agreement would be entered by the city which would make Bluestem responsible for all costs of the project. Solar panels would have a life expectancy of 10-25 years and would create no noise. Bluestem will send additional information to Holton for further review by the council.

Jim Aschoff then presented to the council an application for deferral for property he owns on South 9th Street. When the paving district was initially created an assessment was sent to the current owners at that time. The owners did not file an agricultural deferral and Aschoff was not notified of the need to file an assessment when he purchased the property. Aschoff stated that the property is listed as agricultural land and should not be assessed. Curtiss would like Aschoff to provide information that states he is able to file a deferral. Naprstek would like more information from the bonding company regarding legal obligations of the city once paving district assessments have been set. Holton will contact Ameritas. The deferral will be tabled until the April regular council meeting.

The use of funds in the sales tax accounts was discussed briefly and all approval of how money is to be spent will have to go through the council.

Discussion on the paving of North 9th Street was then held. The project was approved on March 13th by the county commissioner however no interlocal governmental agreement with the city and county has been signed. Both Curtiss and Holton expressed that no agreements with the property owners have been signed and if any object to the project the paving will have to cease. Naprstek and Huigens both would like to have the council meet with the county commissioner to discuss why the project was allowed to begin without the city’s approval. Holton will contact the county and a special meeting will be scheduled.

A request was made by D&K Lanes to add a Type K liquor license to their current Type C license. This is due to the increase in catering obligations by the business. Schlote moved to allow the liquor license change. Huigens seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Updates on the dog ordinance were then discussed. Curtiss presented a rough draft of two ordinances for the council to review. The first was involving all dogs and the rules of confinement by the owner. The second ordinance was addressed towards dangerous dogs and included items discussed by the dog committee. The council went through each section of this ordinance and changed, added or removed items as they deemed necessary. Curtiss will update the ordinance and it will be read at the next council meetings.

Holton discussed hiring Jaden Wingert as a part time city employee for the upcoming summer season with a wage of $10 per hour. Schlote moved to hire Wingert. Huigens seconded the motion. Motion

carried 3-0.

Council member Huigens introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

 **RESOLUTION #549**

**WHEREAS,** there are federal funds available under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act and for the Nebraska Public Transportation Assistance Program, and

**WHEREAS,** the Plainview Handivan desires to apply for said funds to provide public transportation in the City of Plainview area.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED;** the City of Plainview hereby instructs the Plainview Handivan to apply for said funds. Said funds are to be used for the City of Plainview Handivan transportation operations in the FY 2017-2018 Application for Public Transportation Assistance.

Council member Novicki seconded the foregoing motion and on roll call on the passage and adoption of said resolution, the following voted Aye; Schlote, Huigens, Novicki Nay: None. Whereupon the Council President declared said motion carried and Resolution #549 is passed and adopted.

City Attorney Curtiss questioned the contract presented at the special meeting for the water tower renovation and the overall cost of the project. Curtiss also discussed a request to sell Short Street to the west of 8th Street. Holton will look into this for the next council meeting.

City Administrator Holton expressed his concerns on discussion over the generator purchase and assessment deferral from earlier in the meeting.

Council members questioned when the lagoon survey will take place and Holton informed them that the surveyor has been out to the property. Naprstek questioned why there was in an increase in electric bills in certain areas of the town recently.

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It was moved by Schlote, seconded by Novicki to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

TIME: 11:21 P.M.

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Michael Naprstek, Council President (SEAL)

ATTEST:

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Courtney Retzlaff, City Clerk/Treasurer

Courtesy Ford Vehicle Pmt 400.00

Dina Pollock-Osler Meter Refund 200.00

Pierce Co Treasurer License 15.00

NE Child Support Pmt 725.00

Verizon Wireless Cell Phones 495.42

Clerk School Clerk School 223.00

City of Plainview Pool Sales Tax 6019.53

City of Plainview Eco Dev Sales Tax 3554.29

City of Plainview Manor Sales Tax 3554.29

City of Plainview Library Sales Tax 3554.29

Bargain Buyways Ad 25.00

Dearborn Natl Life Ins Emp Ins 69.90

NE Child Support Pmt 725.00

Midwest Bank Emp HSA 400.00

Sterling West Playground Equip 13206.50

Postmaster Postage 157.42

City Employee Payroll 2-15-17 17599.04

City Employee Payroll 2-28-17 14606.42

Agland Electric Motor Svc 1381.25

Bazile Aggregate Su 284.00

Bill Bonta Svc 120.00

Bomgaars Su 109.99

Eileen Bramer Su 45.97

Bud’s Sanitary Service Svc 4752.00

Carroll Distributing Su 74.85

Caseys General Stores Fuel 892.19

Chad’s Tire Service Svc 149.75

City of Plainview Utility Bills 7316.01

City of Plainview C&D Sinking Fund 2000.00

Classic Rentals Su 195.30

Combined Revenue Pmt 3168.96

Cornhusker Auto Center Svc 723.87

Courtney Retzlaff Reim 53.67

Creighton Plumbing Su 400.00

Curtiss Law Office Svc 1250.00

Dept of Energy Electric Svcs 6404.96

DHHS Swimming Pool Lic 40.00

Donna Christiansen Reim 287.56

Dutton-Lainson Co Su 910.00

Eakes Office Solutions Su 216.93

Echo Group Inc Su 19.79

Electrical Engineering & Equip Su 663.99

Electrical System Sinking Fund Pmt 2000.00

Farmers Pride Su 1475.40

Great Plains Communications Svcs 35.61

Great Plains Game & Fish Su 8.00

GreatAmerica Financial Services Copier 143.37

Hoffart Repair Svcs 8.60

Hometown Leasing Copier 86.00

Ingram Library Services Su 542.65

Johnson Repair Svcs 770.05

Kimball-Midwest Su 176.95

L.P. Gill, Inc Svcs 11387.85

League of NE Municipalities Conf 1400.00

Mahaska Su 63.30

Matheson Tri-Gas,Inc Su 24.78

Menards Su 31.49

Midwest Service & Sales Su 560.10

Mike Holton Reim 175.14

Mitch’s Food Center Su 141.66

MEAN Power/RITA 79389.14

Municipal Supply Su 886.12

NE Public Health Env Lab Svcs 60.00

Netcom, Inc Svcs 1734.00

One Office Solution Copier 22.00

Plainview Auto Supply Su 149.66

Plainview News Su/Ads 343.15

Plainview Telephone Co Phone Charges 931.10

Plainview True Value Su 144.82

Reminisce Su 15.00

Rogers Repair Svcs 194.21

Schaefer Grain Su 768.00

Schoenauer Truck Repair Svcs 42.75

Stan Houston Equipment Su 795.00

Steinkraus Service Fuel 2273.45

The Farner Co, Inc Su 34.24

USPS Postage Permit 225.00

Volkman HVAC 1194.00

Water Tower Bond Pmt 2800.83

Waterlink, Inc. Svcs 539.24

Western Oil, Inc Fuel 62.25

NE Dept. of Rev State W/H 1337.00

United Health Care Health Ins 9545.45

Francotyp-Postalia Postage 1000.00

NE Dept of Rev Sales Tax 9202.73

EFTPS Payroll Tax 5792.91

Mass Mutual Pension 2360.48

Comm. Merch. Bank CC Machine 704.49

EFTPS Payroll Tax 4851.96

Mass Mutual Pension 2929.54

United Health Care Health Ins 10636.70

Black Hills Energy Gas 1700.52

Microsoft Office Sup 69.99