City Council Meeting Minutes December 5, 2023

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Schuyler, Nebraska, met in regular session at the Schuyler Municipal Building on December 5, 2023 at 6:00 o'clock PM in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by posting a copy of the notice in three public places in the city, as evidenced by Attachment A hereto, said form of notice being the designated method for giving notice. The Mayor and City Council received advance notice of the meeting. A copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of such notice is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Mayor Lindberg convened the meeting and Clerk Lora Johnson recorded the proceedings. The following council members were present: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Absent: Baumert & Kretz.

Council member Holmberg moved to appoint JEO City Engineer for 2024; Steve Parr Street Superintendent for 2024; Planning Commission for a term of 2023-2026 Megan Novak, Josh Pacas and John Sayer; Board of Adjustments for term of 2023-2026 Brian Bywater and Lance Johnson; Training Officer Jonathan Hespen. Council member Kasik seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Mayor Lindberg toured the renovated police station and it is looking nice and will be a great facility when completed.

Administrator DeRoos reported the police station has figured out an HVAC solution to be able to open when completed. The final walk through and punch list is scheduled for the second week in February. He is working on alternative options for internet since VYVE was around \$8,000 a year. The Ballroom roof replacement bids will be open on December 11th. He met with the Veteran's Memorial group and JEO to go over the layout. Carnagie park equipment has been ordered and will be installed when it arrives. He is working with the Colfax Foundation on a meeting time to discuss the 12th and B project further. He announced that there will be a study session on December 12th at 6:00 and if any council members have anything they would like discussed to please contact him.

Clerk Johnson reported the auditors will be in the office the week between Christmas and New Year's.

Police Chief reported that Electronic Engineering will be in the next day to do some sound checks and see how radios will perform. One candidate for Police Officer is needing to do some additional testing before they can get him into the academy that starts on the 1st. Awilmary Alvarado passed her comp test and practical, she has two more weeks before graduation from the academy.

Council member Rodriguez moved to approve the November 21, 2023 council meetings minutes and dispense with its reading. Council member Holmberg seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Holmberg moved to approve payment of claims for the period from November 18, 2023 through December 1, 2023, in the amount of \$319,116.56 and the following exceeding \$1,000: Great Plains Uniforms, LLC, Vest, Police, \$1,203.92; 402 Electric, Wire Shooting Range, Police, \$2,887.49. All claims under \$1,000 listed on (Attachment 1). Council member Rodriguez seconded the motion. Voting for: Baumert, Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Mayor Lindberg opened a public hearing on an application to amend the zoning map to rezone property from "R-1", Single-Family Residential, to "GC", General Commercial, was filed by 4 Walls LLC. The property is legally described as Lots 1 & 2 of the 4 Walls Minor Subdivision, City of Schuyler, Colfax County, Nebraska.

Clerk Johnson stated the property owners are present. The Planning Commission did recommend amending the zoning map. The completion of the minor subdivision was completed at the last Planning Commission meeting and there were a few members of the public asking questions at that meeting. Council member Kasik asked what they are planning for those lots and the traffic concerns for the area. Jason Smejkal stated at this time they don't know. They are just rezoning to make it more marketable.

Council member Holmberg moved to close the public hearing. Council member Rodriguez seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

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Council member Holmberg introduced the first reading of Ordinance 2023-22, the title being: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SCHUYLER, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP TO CHANGE PROPERTY ZONED R1, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO GC, GENERAL COMMERCIAL WAS FILED BY 4 WALLS LLC. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS LOTS 1 AND 2, 4 WALLS MINOR SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF SCHUYLER, COLFAX COUNTY, NEBRASKA. Council member Rodriguez seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Kasik moved to approve Change Order #6 with Rogge General Contractors, Inc. for the Police Department Expansion and Renovation for an increase in the amount of \$7,272.15. Council member Holmberg seconded the motion. Administrator DeRoos stated this was for the stoop on the northwest side of the building. They did say there would be a credit coming soon for some under used items. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Kasik moved to authorize pay application #11 for the Schuyler Police Station Renovation in the amount of \$267,722.10 to Rogge General Contractors. Council member Wolfe seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Rodriguez moved Resolution 2023-1205 to approve authorization of Mayor to sign Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent Form. Council member Holmberg seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Kasik moved to approve City Maintenance Agreement No. 79 with the Nebraska Department of Roads for 2024. Council member Holmberg seconded the motion. Mayor Lindberg asked what this was for. Clerk Johnson stated is for the maintenance of the lane miles of Highway that run through the city and the state sets the fee. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Holmberg moved to adopt the New Federal Drug and Alcohol Regulations for Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy Zero Tolerance in the Transit Operations Policy for the City of Schuyler. Council member Rodriguez seconded the motion. Council member Kasik asked who does this apply to? Clerk Johnson stated this is a policy that the state recommends for all transits to approve and applies only to the Transit Drivers. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

Council member Rodriguez moved to adjourn. Council member Wolfe seconded the motion. Voting for: Holmberg, Kasik, Rodriguez and Wolfe. Voting against: no one. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Mayor Art Lindberg

City Clerk

STATE OF NEBRASKA) COUNTY OF COLFAX) SS CITY OF SCHUYLER)

I, Lora Johnson, City Clerk for the City of Schuyler, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for said meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that the minutes of the City Council of Schuyler, Nebraska, from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted, were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next council meeting.

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City Clerk Lora Johnson