

## CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, NEBRASKA

### I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

The City Council of the City of Bridgeport, Nebraska, met in regular session at Prairie Winds Community Center, 428 Main Street, Bridgeport, Nebraska, on the 10th day of October 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and Prayer, Mayor Gail Beyer called the meeting to order. Roll call resulted as follows: Present: Mark Wickard, Will Deines, Carrie Harless; Absent: Angie Clinger

No discussion / action of Approval of Excused Absence.

Staff members present were: Melissa Butler

Mayor Beyer presided, and City Clerk Huck recorded the proceedings.

Mayor Beyer announced, "In accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the open meetings act is posted at the back of the meeting room for the review of the public."

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Bridgeport News-Blade on October 3, 2024 the designated method of notice given, as shown by proof of publication, as shown by attached affidavit of posting.

Notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and by email notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Mayor Beyer asked if there were any letters of public correspondence for the board. There were none.

Mayor Beyer asked if there were any visitors that would like to speak on an item that is not on the agenda. There were none.

### II. CONSENT AGENDA

6. Approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held September 11, 2024.
7. Approve the minutes of the Budget Hearing held September 11, 2024.
8. Acceptance of the Monthly Treasurers Report.
9. Approve Barbara Prince as probationary member of the Bridgeport Volunteer Fire Department.
10. Approve the Mayor's Appointment of Parker Smith to the Board of Adjustments with a term expiring December 2027.
11. Approve the Mayor's Appointment of Andrew Gosselin to the Board of Adjustments with a term expiring December 2027.

Council Member Deines moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Council Member Harless. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Wickard, Harless, Deines; Nay: None. Motion carried.

### III. CLAIMS

12. Council Member Deines moved to approve the claims, seconded by Council Member Harless. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Harless, Deines, Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried.

**Claims:** AC Electric Motor Service, Tf, \$1,791.00; Aflac, Aflc, \$366.66; Alarm Security Technicians, Msm, \$32.95; Allo Communications LLC, Tlpn, \$558.57; Allstate Insurance Company, Ins, \$13,445.00; American Funds Service Company, Retire, \$5,109.97; Ameritas Group Life Insurance, Amtrs, \$115.16; Kay Anderson, Trng, \$360.00; Brian R Peters, Rm, \$550.00; BB

Associates, Misc, \$3,420.00; Benzel Pest Control Inc, Op, \$75.89; Beveridge Well Drilling Inc, Op, \$1,565.00; Black Hills Energy, Ht, \$754.55; BCBS Of NE, Hlth Ins, \$7,788.36; Bluffs Sanitary Supply Inc, Op, \$307.31; Bomgaars, Dwn Twn / Op / Shop / Tls, \$402.21; Bridgeport News-Blade, Ofsup / Pp, \$183.78; Cengage Learning Inc, Bks, \$41.98; Century Business Products Inc, Op, \$102.19; Chimney Rock Public Power District, Elct, \$96.93; City Of Bridgeport, Dpst / Elct, \$9,775.74; Christina M Collins, Tlpn, \$40.00; Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co, Cnl, \$605.18; Community Center, Tr, \$67,000.00; Computer Connection, Op, \$1,637.30; Contractors Materials Inc, Tls, \$259.00; Court House & Jail Rock Golf Course Inc, Op, \$4,840.00; Crescent Electric Supply Company, Op / Shop, \$312.01; Culligan Water Conditioning, Op, \$151.50; Dan's Landscape And Tree Service, Tr Brd, \$400.00; Brian Deblois, Dvg Exp, \$144.69; Dutton Lainson Company, Inv, \$111.22; E & S Auto Supply, Rm / Shop, \$144.81; Eldon C Stutsman Inc, Tf, \$5,392.44; Enviro Service Inc, Wtr Aly, \$50.00; Federal, Fed, \$3,251.50; Fica, \$7,221.70; Fire Fund, Tr, \$15,200.00; Fire Safety Education, Op, \$2,127.00; Flatwater Veterinary Services, Anml, \$1,975.98; General Treasury, Tr, \$109,000.00; Global Rental Co Inc, Me, \$122,000.00; Gooder Trucking LLC, Str Mat / Va, \$35,718.25; Grand Slam Solutions LLC, Lgl, \$2,500.00; Greenheart, Op, \$36.00; Hawkins Inc, Tf, \$2,421.66; Health Savings Account, Hsa, \$2,160.00; Doretta J Huck, Tlpn, \$40.00; Ideal Laundry And Cleaners Inc, Op, \$1,055.30; Iworq Systems Inc, Op, \$5,000.00; Zane Jaramillo, Msm, \$2,970.00; Dane M Jeffords, Tlpn, \$40.00; Koke's Auto Farm Truck Inc, Rm / Tls, \$300.58; Daniel L Krentz, Rm, \$5,050.00; Lawson Products Inc, Shop, \$42.79; Lee's Service Inc, Fl / Rm, \$900.00; Legacy Cooperative, Fl, \$41.10; Andrew S Leisy, Tlpn, \$40.00; Library Fund, Tr, \$19,800.00; Kyle E Lusetto, Tlpn, \$40.00; Maguire, Rm, \$86,962.00; Masa Global, Ins, \$140.00; Medicare, Mdc, \$1,688.98; Mid-American Research Chemical, Op, \$797.72; Morrill County Sheriff, Cnty, \$36,125.00; Municipal Energy Agency Of Ne, Mn, \$196,453.90; Nebraska Bank, Nh, \$11,711.17; Nebraska Department Of Agriculture, Anml, \$175.00; Nebraska Dept Of Revenue, State, \$13,119.59; Nebraska Printworks LLC, Ofsup / Sls Tx, \$20.90; Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab, Wtr Aly, \$1,211.00; Nebraska Public Power District, Msm, \$170.68; Nebraska Total Office, Rm, \$45.99; Perry E Nelson, Tlpn, \$40.00; NMC, Op, \$36.60; Northwest Pipe Fittings Inc Of Scottsbluff, Rm, \$350.34; Nutrien Ag Solutions Inc, Chem, \$3,564.75; Lauren Olson, Dwn Twn, \$513.97; One Call Concepts Inc, Op, \$23.00; Optk Networks, Tlpn, \$75.00; Pace Analytical Services LLC, Wtr Aly, \$550.00; Park Fund, Tr, \$34,000.00; Platte Valley Bank, Nh, \$11,711.17; Platte Valley Visa, Blfld / Dwn Twn / Op, \$10,286.33; Plummer Insurance Inc, Ins, \$184,940.00; Pohl's Welding & Fab Inc, Rm, \$965.00; Police Fund, Tr, \$36,125.00; Pool Fund, Tr, \$9,400.00; Quadiant Leasing USA Inc, Op, \$785.70; Red Brick Ventures LLC, Cap, \$312,544.08; Regional Care Inc, Hsa, \$112.00; Riverside Lumber LLC, Rm, \$623.36; Rodak Law Office, Lgl Rtnr, \$1,000.00; Fay Scarrow, Tlpn, \$40.00; Bryan Schluterbusch, Tlpn, \$40.00; Amber Schultz, Dwn Twn, \$24.00; Scottsbluff Family Ymca, Trng, \$10.00; Paul A Sides, Tlpn, \$40.00; Parker Smith, Cnt Svc, \$748.00; Sonny's Super Foods, Op / Tf, \$66.13; Spic-Span Cleaners, Op / Str Mat, \$2,097.20; State Fire Marshal Training Div, Trng, \$100.00; Street Fund, Tr, \$5,000.00; The Simple Company & Floral Shop, Op, \$95.00; John Thomas, Tlpn, \$40.00; Trading Post Enterprises LLC, Fl, \$1,059.98; US Postal Service, Pstg, \$154.00; USDA Rural Development, Bnds Int, \$103,298.00; Van Pelt Fencing, Cap, \$36,565.50; Waste Connections Of Ne Inc, Trsh, \$17,488.93; Wesco Distribution Inc, Df / Me / Op / Rm, \$22,193.92; Western Nebraska Papers, Pp, \$315.25; Whiting Signs & Graphics, Me, \$1,050.00; Wickard Heating & Plumbing Inc, Cap / Rm, \$12,675.05; Total Claims, \$1,626,232.45; Salaries, \$45,148.22

\*\*\*\*Aflc = Aflac; Amtrs = Ameritas; Anml = Animal Fees; Bks = Books; Blfld = Ballfield; Bnds Int = Bonds & Interest; Cap = Capital Outlay; Chem = Chemicals; Cnl = Colonial; Cnt Svc = Contract Services; Cnty = County Contract; Dep = Meter Deposits; Df = Dues & Fees; Dvg Exp = Diving Expense; Dwn Twn = Downtown Appearance; Elct = Electric Bills; Fed = Federal; Fica = Fica; Fl = Fuel; Hlth Ins = Health Insurance; Hsa = Health Savings; Ht = Heat; Ins = Insurance; Inv = Inventory; Lgl = Legal; Lgl Rtnr = Legal Retainer; Mdc = Medicare; Me = Machinery & Equipment; Misc = Miscellaneous; Mn = Mean; Msm = Museum; Nh = Nursing Home; Of Bnds = Officers Bonds; Ofsup = Office Supplies; Op = Operating Expense; Pp = Printing & Publications; Pstg = Postage; Retire = Retirement / City Share; Rm = Repairs & Maintenance; Shop = Shop Supplies; Sls Tx = Sales N Use Tax; State = State; Str Mat = Street Material; Tf = Treatment Facility; Tlpn = Telephone; Tls = Tools; Tr = Transfer Out; Tr Brd = Tree Board; Trng = Training; Trsh = Trash; Va = Veterans Park Old Swim Hole; Wtr Aly = Water Analysis

#### IV. ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

13. None

#### V. PUBLIC HEARINGS

14. At 5:33 p.m., Mayor Beyer opened the public hearing on the One & Six-Year Road Street Improvement Program Plan.

Paul Sides reported previous year completion of the following: routine maintenance, dust control, applied gravel to roads and rebuilt two storm water manholes at 8th & Q Street and Hwy 385 & O Street.

One Year Plan: 1) Routine Maintenance which includes sweeping, grading, snow removal, mowing etc. 2) Dust Control 3) Gravel Streets 4) Repair curbs & Streets as needed 5) Rebuild 2-3 Storm Drainage Structures as needed.

Six Year Plan: One Year Plan plus; 1) Grind the following streets and overlay with asphalt, 10th from L to N; O from Hwy 385 to 5th; P from Hwy 385 to 5th; 7th from Main to Q; S from 15th to 9<sup>th</sup>. 2) Rebuild the concrete intersection at 4th & H Streets 3) Chip seal previously overlaid streets 4) Rebuild storm drainage structures as needed.

Seeing no other comments, Mayor Beyer closed the one and six public hearing at 5:39 p.m.

15. Council Member Wickard made a motion to approve the One & Six Road Street Improvement Program as presented; seconded by Council Member Harless. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Harless, Wickard, Deines; Nay: None. Motion carried.

## VI. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

16. Council Member Harless introduced Resolution 2024-07, and moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Council Member Wickard. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Harless, Wickard, Deines; Nay: None. Resolution passed.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2024-07

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, NEBRASKA, AUTHORIZING, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ONE-AND-SIX YEAR ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.**

***WHEREAS***, DUE AND LEGAL NOTICE STATING THE TIME, PLACE AND PURPOSE OF A HEARING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE ONE-YEAR AND SIX-YEAR ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PLANS UNDER THE HIGHWAY AND STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, HAS BEEN GIVEN BY PUBLICATION IN THE BRIDGEPORT NEWS-BLADE, A LEGAL COUNTY NEWSPAPER, AND

***WHEREAS***, THIS SAME LEGAL NOTICE WAS POSTED IN THREE PUBLIC PLACES IN THE AREA, AND

***WHEREAS***, THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL HAVE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED SUCH PLANS AS PRESENTED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND TOOK ACTION, AND DO FIND THAT THE SAME SHOULD BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED,

***THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, NEBRASKA:***

**Section 1:** That the City of Bridgeport adopts and accepts the One-Year Plan and the Six-Year Road Improvement Program Plan as submitted, and the same hereby approved and adopted

**Section 2:** *Repeal of Previous Resolutions.* Any other resolution or code section passed and approved prior to passage, approval, and publication or posting of this resolution and in conflict with its provisions is repealed.

**Section 3:** *Effective Date.* This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

**Section 4:** *Severability.* If any portion or provision of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such portion or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution, the intention being that the same are severable.

**PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF OCTOBER 2024.**

(ATTEST)

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**GAIL BEYER**  
**MAYOR**

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**DORETTA J HUCK**  
**CITY CLERK/TREASURER**

17. Shawn Green presented the Waste Management Trash Contract and stated the contract is the same except for the addition of yard waste which will start the 2025 season. The trash rates did not increase last fiscal year and with the new CPI the 2024-2025 rates will increase by 3%.

Council Member Wickard made a motion to approve the mayor's signature to the 4-year contract with Waste Management, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Deines, Wickard, Harless; Nay: None. Motion carried.

18. Council Member Wickard introduced Ordinance No. 1011, AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE MUNICIPALITY FOR TRASH REMOVAL SERVICE; PRESCRIBING THE TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION OR POSTING AS REQUIRED BY LAW, and moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Deines, Wickard, Harless; Nay: None. Motion carried. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three-fourths of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance. Ordinance No. 1011 was then read by title and thereafter. Council Member Wickard moved final passage of the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Council Member Deines. The Mayor then stated the question: "Shall Ordinance No. 1011 be passed and adopted?" Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: Harless, Deines, Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried. The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted and the Mayor, in the presence of the Council, signed and approved the ordinance and the City Clerk attested to the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto.

## VII. REPORTS

19. Department Reports:

**Public Works:** John Thomas was present to introduce himself as the new lineman and stated they have been trimming branches. Paul Sides stated that when funds are available, he would like to convert the old sewer vac truck into a water truck at a cost of around \$10,300.00 for the tank and accessories. During the dry spells they would be able to apply water to the gravel roads to help reactive the dust control as well as using it in other areas as needed. Council stated when the money is available to proceed.

**Pwcc:** Director Christy Collins was not present, but the council discussed her attached report on the quote for adding more cameras which are the same system as the sheriff's department. The Women's volleyball league has started and pickleball will be moving indoors. It was also discussed making a door directly north of the kitchen door into the gymnasium when serving for big events with the cost be provided by a donor.

**Library:** Melissa Butler stated the makers club last month had an average of 50 kids; Teen groups are going well; waiting to hear back from the 30K Oregon Trail grant; Friends of the Library will be doing the concessions at the Holiday craft show as well as doing a blanket raffle.

**Fire Dept:** No report

**Sheriff:** Cardenas stated there has been vandalism to the east park door as well as kids jumping on the picnic tables and would like to install cameras as well as extra lights. Also there are a couple of sidewalk slabs at the east park needing to be replaced. Everything else is going well and all campers are off the streets.

**Administration:** Golf Course Board Member Paul Sides presented pictures of the new pump house with the funds coming from the ACE fund and thanked Bob Benton, Wayne Adams and Carl Roach for donating their time on this project and pictures of the driving range with the funds coming from the Keno Fund with ten new hitting stations, bag holders and club washers will be added as well. The golf course will be adding four more security cameras. Council Member Wickard and Harless also will be starting to do a few more employee reviews.

## VIII. REGULAR AGENDA

20. Emergency Items – None

21. Mayor Beyer stated it would not be feasible for the city to supply city water to the Morrill County 4-H Fairgrounds after receiving cost information from the City Engineers.

22. With the sale of the Steel Grill the Keno Lottery Sales Outlet Location needed to be updated with Lucky Keno Contract and the Nebraska Charitable Gaming Commission. Council Member Deines made a motion to approve the Lucky Keno Contract with SGBT Investments LLC (Steel Grill) as a Lottery Sales Outlet Location, seconded by Council Member Harless. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Harless, Wickard, Deines; Nay: None. Motion carried.

#### **IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

23. At 6:24 p.m. Council Member Harless made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel and to prevent the needless injury to an individual, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: Deines, Harless, Wickard; Nay: None. Motion carried.

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Doretta J Huck, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED:

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Gail Beyer, Mayor

At 6:43 p.m. Council Member Wickard made a motion to exit executive session and no action was taken, seconded by Council Member Deines. Roll call resulted as follows; Aye: All yeas; Nay: None. Motion carried.

#### **X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, the Mayor Beyer entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Deines made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m., seconded by Council Member Harless. Roll call resulted as follows: Aye: All yeas; Nay: None. Meeting Adjourned.

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Mark Wickard, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

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Gail Beyer, Mayor

I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is the full, true and correct original document of proceedings of Thursday, October 10, 2024, had and done by the Mayor and City Council; that all of the subjects included in the proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Doretta J. Huck, City Clerk