CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
CHAPPELL NEBRASKA

A regular meeting of the Chappell City Council was held October 4, 2021, at the Chappell City Hall at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present: Brott, Carlson, Hahn and Johnson. Staff members present were City Attorney J Leef, City Treasurer Geralyn Konruff, ODD Shaunna Mashek, Utilities Worker Todd Rust, Street Overseer Jerrod Elms. Others present included Dale Fornander and Grant Nisly.

Notice of the meeting was posted as required by law. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Mayor Brott informed the public of the location of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act on the back wall of Council room.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to excuse Council member Riley. “Yes” Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “Absent” Riley. “No” None.

Public Comments:
No public comments.

Consent Agenda:
A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Carlson to approve the consent agenda, minutes of the regular meeting September 20, 2021, claims list and dept head reports. “Yes” Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “Absent” Riley. “No” None.

Bomgaars - $826.61 * Century Link - $572.84 * Chappell Municipal Utilities - $4565.05 * Cranmore Pest Control LLC - $50.00 * Croell Inc - $2866.50 * Culligan - $31.00 * Dearborn Life Insurance Company - $17.20 * Deuel County Treasurer - $7333.34 * Dutton-Laison Company - $544.02 * Eakes Office Products Center - $64.67 * EMC Insurance Companies - $8448.43 * Halie Brott - $600.00 * HireRight, LLC - $35.70 * Ingram Book Company - $235.22 * Matheson Tri-Gas Inc - $111.20 * Michael Todd & Company Inc - $875.95 * Municipal Supply Inc of Nebraska - $2404.79 * Nebraska Rural Water Association - $150.00 * NE Safety & Fire Equipment - $380.00 * NMC Exchange LLC - $3266.00 * Northwest Pipe Fittings Inc - $130.09 * Olsson Associates - $350.00 * Panhandle Area Development District - $720.06 * Ron's Chappell Auto Repair - $806.77 * Sedgwick County Sales - $2609.40 * Vistabeam - $68.95 * Total Payroll - $38,669.85 *

Unfinished Business:
Discussion was held on a goose management plan for the Chappell Lake. Attorney Leef drafted an ordinance in regards to this. Discussion was held on the draft of the ordinance and Attorney Leef made notes. The ordinance will be placed on the next agenda.

New Business:
Grant Nisly discussed the options of getting city utilities to lots that are located on the north side of the City. He is currently looking at purchasing some lots and wanted to be sure he could get utilities to the lots. He’s also interested in purchasing another property in town.

Dale Fornander went through the new insurance policy with council members. Discussion was held on the policy changes and premium adjustments. No further changes were made to the insurance policy.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Hahn to approve the building permit for a garage located at 1830 Hughes Drive. “Yes” Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “Absent” Riley. “No” None.

Communications:
Todd Rust informed council on EPA regulations on copper and lead and what could be coming in the near future in regards to this.

Shaunna received information today in regards to the city’s property for sale south of the interstate. The item will be on the next agenda.

A motion was made by Council member Carlson, second of Council member Hahn to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. “Yes” Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “Absent” Riley. “No” None.

ATTEST:
Geralyn Konruff
City Treasurer

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A regular meeting of the Chappell City Council was held October 18, 2021, at the Chappell City Hall at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present: Brott, Riley, Carlson, Hahn and Johnson. Staff members present were City Attorney J Leef, City Administrator/Clerk Ashlea Bauer, and City Treasurer Geralyn Konruff. Others present included Erica Priest.

Notice of the meeting was posted as required by law. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Mayor Brott informed the public of the location of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act on the back wall of Council room.

Public Comments:
No public comments.

Consent Agenda:
A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Carlson to approve the consent agenda, minutes of the regular meeting October 4, 2021, claims list, treasurer's report and sheriff's report. “Yes” Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “No” None. Motion carried.
The purpose of goose management at the Chappell Lake is to maintain a healthy body of water to support aquatic activities and habitat. Proper management will also assist with maintaining a clean environment in the surrounding area for people to enjoy and recreate. The plan has been discussed with fisheries and wildlife biologists with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and has been unanimously determined to be the best solution to curb the migratory goose population at Chappell Lake.

New Business:

Erica Priest, co-coordinator of the Chappell Ambulance Squad addressed the council regards to the dire need to recruit more volunteer EMTs. Currently there are only 4 full-time volunteers. There will be an EMT offered in the upcoming months. There has been some interest shown by a few residents in town but the cost of the class is a hindrance. Polly Olson, co-coordinator is applying for grants to help with the costs of the class to allow for individuals to take the course. There will be a lot of advertising to recruit volunteers. The Ambulance Service is a necessity and the City and Ambulance Squad want to make sure that it stays operational. More discussion on this will be on a future agenda.

Ordinance 538 was introduced to the council in regards to goose hunting at Chappell Lake. A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Hahn to designate Ordinance 538. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Carlson to waive the three readings of Ordinance 538-Goose Hunting at Chappell Lake. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Carlson to pass Ordinance 538-Goose Hunting at Chappell Lake. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Riley, second of Council member Carlson to publish Ordinance 538-Goose Hunting at Chappell Lake. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Clerk Bauer read the title of Ordinance 538 as follows;

ORDINANCE NO. 538

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHAPPELL, NEBRASKA, PROVIDING FOR GOOSE HUNTING AT THE CHAPPELL LAKE AS A MEANS OF CONTROLLING THE GOOSE POPULATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER 95 ANIMALS SECTION 95.04 KILLING AND INJURING OF ANIMALS TO ALLOW FOR HUNTING OF DARK GESEE AT CHAPPELL LAKE IN COMPLIANCE WITH CITY ORDINANCES; ADDING SECTION 95.07 GOOSE HUNTING TO CHAPTER 95 ANIMALS PROVIDING FOR A METHOD AND FEE FOR ISSUING GOOSE HUNTING PERMITS FOR HUNTING AT CHAPPELL LAKE; PROVIDING FOR SPECIFIC SAFETY PRECAUTIONS DURING GOOSE HUNTING SEASON AT CHAPPELL LAKE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CLOSING OF THE LAKE WHEN HUNTING IS AUTHORIZED. MAKING NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THIS ORDINANCE WHEN HUNTING AT CHAPPELL LAKE A VIOLATION OF CITY ORDINANCES PUNISHABLE BY FINES; REPEALING ANY OTHER ORDINANCE OR PART OF ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT WITH THE ABOVE PROVISIONS THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHAPPELL, NEBRASKA THAT:

SECTION 1.

That Chapter 95 ANIMALS of the Codified Ordinances Section 95.03 KILLING AND INJURING, is amended to read as follows:

95.04 KILLING AND INJURING. No person shall kill or injure any animal by the use of firearms, stones, clubs, poisons, or any other manner, unless hunting dark geese at Chappell Lake in compliance with state statutes and Chappell Ordinances or unless the animal is vicious or dangerous and cannot be captured without danger to the persons attempting to affect a capture of the animal. Penalty, see § 10.99 Statutory reference: Definitions, see Neb. RS 28-1008 Cruelty prohibited, see Neb. RS 28-1009

SECTION 2.

That Chapter 95 ANIMALS of the Codified Ordinances is amended to add and include Section 95.07 GOOSE HUNTING, to read as follows:

95.07 GOOSE HUNTING

a) PURPOSE. The purpose of goose management at the Chappell Lake is to maintain a healthy body of water to support aquatic activities and habitat. Proper management will also assist with maintaining a clean environment in the surrounding area for people to enjoy and recreate. The plan has been discussed with fisheries and wildlife biologists with the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and has been unanimously determined to be the best solution to curb the migratory goose population at Chappell Lake.

b) TYPE. Limited dark goose hunting will be allowed at Chappell Lake, provided that all Nebraska Game and Parks Commission rules and regulations and City of Chappell Ordinances shall apply. Only dark goose may be taken at Chappell Lake.

c) LOCATIONS AND TIMES. All hunting shall only be from city- owned blind(s) installed by city employees or personal blind boats which shall be parked directly in front of City- owned blinds and said blinds shall not be moved to other locations. Shot markers will be placed outside of the blind to clearly mark "no shot" zones on one or both sides of the
blind. Hunting days will be Tuesday’s, Thursday’s and Sundays during the legal hunting hours permitted by Nebraska statute.

d) CLOSING OF LAKE. During hunting hours, the north side of the lake shall be blocked off to vehicle and pedestrian access and clearly marked with signs stating the closure.

e) APPLICATION AND AWARD OF BLINDS. Blind(s) will be awarded by a lottery system each month wherein a person or group of no more than four (4) persons shall have the right to hunt in accordance with State and City laws for one week beginning on Tuesday morning and ending on Sunday evening. The drawing for each month shall be held at the first city council meeting of the month prior to the month of the draw. Applications for the drawing must be turned in no later than 4:00 pm the day of the drawing. Each application must be accompanied by a $40 application fee. The application fee shall be used for lake improvement projects.

f) PENALTIES. It shall be unlawful for any person to hunt at Chappell Lake in violation of this Ordinance. Penalty, see § 10.99

SECTION 3.

All previously adopted Resolutions and Ordinances or parts of law in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, and should any part or section(s) of this Ordinance be declared void and unenforceable, such declaration shall not render any other part void or unenforceable.

SECTION 4.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of October, 2021.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Carlson to appoint Darci Schneider to the Library Board. “Yes” Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “No” None. Motion carried.

Communications:

Clerk Bauer informed the council that the Utilities Superintendent plans to retire at the end of the month.

Council instructed Clerk Bauer to inform a city employee to remove a camper from city property immediately.

Council inquired about the ongoing issues with a building permit. Attorney Leef is still waiting for a court date. Leef has requested the City Zoning Inspector measure the set-backs on the current building to be sure they are within code. Leef had Clerk Bauer send a letter to the resident in regards to obtaining a building permit for the garage that appears to be in the process of being built. The original permit was approved for a house and garage but no dimensions or drawings for the garage were included so a new permit must be obtained prior to building.

The dredging at the lake has begun and the gentleman has dug out quite a bit in a few hours. The council is very pleased with the work thus far.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Carlson to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. “Yes” Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. “No” None. Motion carried.

Steve Brott, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Steve Brott, Mayor

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Ashlea Bauer
City Administrator/Clerk