

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
CHAPPELL NEBRASKA**

A regular meeting of the Chappell City Council was held September 5, 2023, at the Chappell City Hall at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present; Riley, Carlson, Hahn and Johnson. Staff members present were City Administrator/Clerk Ashlea Bauer. Others present included were Jim and Tracy McCormick.

Notice of the meeting was posted as required by law. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Council President Riley 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 Johnson, second of Council member Hahn to excuse Mayor Smith. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

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 August 21, 2023, minutes of special meeting August 30, 2023, claims list, dept head reports and animal control report. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Arrowhead Distributing, Inc - Beer Expense - \$406.75 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Candy/Pop - \$225.92 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Licenses, fees and permits - \$11.75 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Perishables - \$305.55 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Supplies - \$90.55 * Century Link - Telephone/Communications - \$219.98 * Deuel County Treasurer - Law Enforcement - \$8166.66 * Dietrich Distributing - Beer Expense - \$230.70 * Dutton-Lainson Company - Supplies - \$2498.12 * Eakes Office Products Center - Supplies - \$155.21 * Halie Brott - Liberty Park Maintenance - \$600.00 * High Plains Budweiser - Beer Expense - \$142.9 * Highline Electric Association - Utilities - \$231.22 * Ingram Book Company - Books/Video - \$205.12 * Jerrod Elms - Licenses, fees and permits - \$120.00 * Municipal Supply Inc of Nebraska - Supplies - \$1501.60 * NE Safety & Fire Equipment - Licenses, fees and permits - \$175.00 * Our Town Pharmacy - Supplies - \$17.67 * Pepsi-Cola of Alliance - Candy/Pop - \$334.63 * Rod Hanson - Supplies - \$87.80 * Sedgwick County Sales - Trash Hauling/Recycling - \$2587.20 * Vistabeam - Telephone/Communications - \$272.80 * Total Payroll - \$40,266.96 *

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business.

New Business:

Council reviewed the upcoming Class C liquor license renewals for Burgie's Bowling, Kristy Enterprises-Chappell Super Foods, and Rockin' 5T LLC-Rusty Bucket Pub & Grub. The licenses will automatically renew on November 1st. A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to approve the automatic renewals of Burgie's Bowling, Kristy Enterprises-Chappell Super Foods, and Rockin' 5T LLC-Rusty Bucket Pub & Grub liquor licenses. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Communications:

Council member Riley asked about the weeds on the streets and also mentioned there were tall weeds in the backyard on a property that can be seen in the alley.

Clerk Bauer received a rough estimate on what the engineers believe it would cost to do the concrete repairs at the library. Ashlea also received a letter with the findings on a water drainage issue from the engineers and read it to the council. She will forward it on to the City attorney.

Attorney Leef has drafted an ordinance in relation to storage containers, she has asked Zoning Administrator Rust to review and then it will have to go before the zoning and planning commission next.

There will be a special meeting on September 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. for the 2023-2024 budget hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Hahn to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. "Yes" Riley, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Dan Riley, Council President

ATTEST:

Ashlea Bauer
City Administrator/Clerk

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A regular meeting of the Chappell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on September 18, 2023. The following members were present; Smith, Riley and Johnson. Staff members present were City Attorney J Leef, City Administrator/Clerk Ashlea Bauer, CDD Shaunna Mashek and Street Supervisor Jerrod Elms. Others present included Jim & Tracy McCormick.

Notice of the meeting was posted as required by law. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Mayor Smith 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 Riley, second of Council member Johnson to excuse Council members Carlson and Hahn. "Yes" Riley, Johnson, Smith. "Absent" Carlson, Hahn. "No" None. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

No public comments.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Riley to approve the consent agenda, minutes of the regular meeting September 5, 2023, claims list and treasurer's report. "Yes" Riley, Johnson, Smith. "Absent" Carlson, Hahn. "No" None. Motion carried.

Aaron Stegeman - Travel Expense & Per Diem - \$170.05 * Arnold Pool Company - Swimming Pool Exp - \$849.00 * Black Hills Energy - Utilities - \$115.80 * Bob's Welding - Repair - \$220.00 * Bomgaars - Maintenance - \$139.99 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Candy/Pop - \$573.42 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Licenses, fees and permits - \$11.75 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Perishables - \$1576.10 * Cash-Wa Distributing - Supplies - \$27.54 * Chappell Lumber - Supplies - \$421.15 * Chappell Lumber - Tools - \$44.98 * Chappell Register - Ads, Forms & Printing - \$519.07 * Chappell Super Foods - Perishables - \$74.16 * Chappell Super Foods - Supplies - \$43.90 * Cranmore Fire Protection - Licenses, fees and permits - \$309.75 * Cranmore Fire Protection - Maintenance - \$1837.25 * Cranmore Pest Control LLC - Licenses, fees and permits - \$110.00 * Culligan - Supplies - \$126.39 * Dietrich Distributing - Beer Expense - \$177.95 * Dutton-Lainson Company - Supplies - \$4797.68 * Floyd's Truck Center - Repair - \$1639.92 * Hansen's Petroleum - Fuel - \$3145.95 * Highline Electric Association - Utilities - \$231.22 * Ideal Linen Supply - Supplies - \$780.10 * Jirdon Agri Chemicals Inc - Chemicals & Fertilizer - \$1133.08 * League of NE Municipalities-Utilities - Continuing Education - \$440.00 * MacQueen Equipment - Supplies - \$628.83 * Matheson Tri-Gas Inc - Oxygen - \$114.44 * Monument Inn & Suites - Hotel Expense - \$447.00 * Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska - WAPA & MEAN - \$50666.38 * NE Dept of Revenue - Licenses, fees and permits - \$25.00 * Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association - Subscriptions & Dues - \$100.00 * Northwest Pipe Fittings Inc - Supplies - \$231.50 * One Billing Solutions, LLC - Collections Expense - \$259.27 * Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services, - Licenses, fees and permits - \$176.19 * Premier Auto Parts & Service, LLC - Supplies - \$586.24 * Ritchey's Redi-Mix Concrete - Park Concrete - \$1208.00 * Ritchey's Redi-Mix Concrete - Curb Concrete - \$568.00 * RVW, Inc - Professional Fees - \$4220.00 * The L L Johnson Distributing CO - Repair - \$186.30 * USA Blue Book - Tools - \$1010.81 * Valley Tire & Service LLC - Maintenance - \$2190.49 * Vistabeam - Telephone/Communications - \$361.35 * Westco - Chemicals & Fertilizer - \$1133.08 * Western Resources Group Inc. - Trash Hauling/Recycling - \$279.50 * WEX BANK - Fuel - \$1951.30 * Wheat Belt Public Power District - Utilities - \$50.22 * Total Payroll - \$40,476.59 *

Unfinished Business:

Reichman Construction will get a quote for the concrete at the library to Clerk Bauer and it will place on a future agenda.

Discussion on the old picnic tables was tabled until the next meeting.

New Business:

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Riley to approve the building permit for a concrete patio at 1050 4th St. "Yes" Riley, Johnson, Smith. "Absent" Carlson, Hahn. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Riley, second of Council member Johnson to approve the signing of Exhibits A, B & E all to Contract #14-RMR-2550 with Western Area Power Administration. "Yes" Riley, Johnson, Smith. "Absent" Carlson, Hahn. "No" None. Motion carried.

Terry Duffield asked Clerk Bauer about the city assisting with more funds for the cat project she has been doing in town over the last few years. A motion was made by Council member Riley, second of Council member Johnson to approve using Keno funds in the amount of \$2000.00 to go towards the cat project. "Yes" Riley, Johnson, Smith. "Absent" Carlson, Hahn. "No" None. Motion carried.

Council member Riley had asked that the city attorney research the current sexual predator ordinance that the town has. Attorney Leef reviewed the ordinance and it is set according to the state statutes. No further discussion.

Communications:

Attorney Leef is still waiting to hear back from the property owner of the triangle property.

City Staff has been working with the Federal Highway Administration on an ADA complaint and they are waiting to get more feedback from them on an action item. Once more information is given, it will be placed on the agenda.

A board of health meeting will be scheduled in the next few weeks and a lake board meeting will be scheduled.

The budget hearing for the 2023-2024 fiscal year will be held on September 27th at 7:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Riley to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. "Yes" Riley, Johnson, Smith. "Absent" Carlson, Hahn. "No" None. Motion carried.

Kent Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ashlea Bauer
City Administrator/Clerk

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The 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget Hearing was held at 7:00 p.m. on September 27, 2023. The following members were present; Smith, Riley, Hahn and Johnson. Staff member present was City Administrator/Clerk Ashlea Bauer. Others present were Bob Meyer.

Notice of the meeting was posted as required by law. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Mayor Smith 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 Carlson. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Riley, second of Council member Hahn to open the 2023-2024 Budget Hearing. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried. Mayor Smith opened the 2023-2024 Budget Hearing at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Smith opened the floor for public comments. No public comments were made on the budget hearing.

City auditor Bob Meyer was present to answer any questions on the 2023-2024 Budget. No public comments were made on the budget.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Riley to close the budget hearing at 7:26 p.m. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A special meeting of the Chappell City Council was held September 27, 2023, at the Chappell City Hall immediately after the Budget Hearing for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to open the hearing for the final tax request. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried. Mayor Smith opened the Hearing for the Final Tax Request at 7:26 P.M.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Riley to accept the final tax request and approve Resolution 2023-05 Setting the Property Tax Request. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Resolution 2023-05 SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the City of Chappell passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the City of Chappell, resolves that:

1. The 2023-2024 property tax request be set at \$142,410.00.
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 2.08 percent.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be 0.354784 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. The City of Chappell proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.363437 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of The City of Chappell will increase (or decrease) last year's budget by -2.54 percent.
6. A copy of this resolution will be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2023.

A motion was made by Council member Riley, second of Council member Hahn to close the final tax request hearing at 7:27 p.m. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Total tax requirement for the 2022-2023 budget is \$142,410. A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to adopt the 2023-2024 budget with additional 1% increase in restricted funds. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Riley to open the hearing to amend the 2022-2023 Budget. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried. Mayor Smith opened the hearing to amend the 2022-2023 Budget Hearing at 7:28 P.M.

City auditor Bob Meyer was present to answer any questions on amending the 2022-2023 Budget. No public comments were made on amending the budget. Bob explained that the construction fund loan for the street improvement project had to be included in the budget so it was amending to include that.

A motion was made by Council member Riley, second of Council member Hahn to close the hearing to amend the 2022-2023 budget at 7:33 p.m. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to amend the 2022-2023 Budget. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Riley to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. "Yes" Riley, Hahn, Johnson. "Absent" Carlson. "No" None. Motion carried.

Mayor Kent Smith

ATTEST:

Ashlea Bauer
City Administrator/Clerk