

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CHAPPELL NEBRASKA**

A regular meeting of the Chappell City Council was held August 4, 2025, at the Chappell City Hall at 5:00 P.M. The following members were present; Riley, Ortgies, Carlson, Johnson. Staff members present were City Administrator/Clerk Ashlea Bauer. Others present included Leslie Snell.

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

**Public Comments:**

No public comments.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Carlson to excuse Council member Hahn. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Johnson. "No" None. "Absent" Hahn, Johnson. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:**

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Carlson to approve the consent agenda, minutes of the regular meeting July 21, 2025 and dept head reports. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Johnson. "No" None. "Absent" Hahn, Johnson. Motion carried.

Arbor Day Foundation-Subscriptions & Dues - \$20.00 \* Cash-Wa Distributing-Candy/Pop - \$78.20-Perishables - \$404.78 \* Century Link-Telephone/Communications - \$288.63 \* Chappell Municipal Utilities-Utilities - \$6753.81 \* Crescent Electric Supply Company-Supplies - \$367.18 \* Dearborn Life Insurance Company-Life Insurance - \$20.64 \* Deuel County Treasurer-Law Enforcement - \$8166.66 \* Dutton-Lainson Company-Supplies - \$198.86 \* Eakes Office Products Center-Supplies - \$528.88 \* Garden County News-Swimming Pool Exp - \$93.50 \* Global Industrial-Community Improvement - \$3659.70 \* Grainger-Supplies - \$496.65 \* Halie Brott-Maintenance - \$600.00 \* Highline Electric Association-Utilities - \$195.14 \* HireRight, LLC-Drug Testing - \$215.25 \* Ingram Library Services-Books/Video - \$500.59 \* Justin Polk (Rec)-Baseball Expense - \$2333.33 \* Mattoon,Martens & Strommen LLC-Legal Fees - \$1790.25 \* Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska-WAPA & MEAN - \$47,490.80 \* Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab-Lab Testing - \$282.00 \* NMC Exchange LLC-Repair - \$1515.19 \* Northwest Pipe Fittings Inc-Community Improvement - \$140.10 \* Sedgwick County Sales-Trash Hauling/Recycling - \$3136.35 \* Sidney Regional Medical Center-Supplies - \$11.66 \* Spic and Span Cleaners-Supplies - \$2080.00 \* Tom's Delivery Service, Inc-Liquor Expense - \$108.00 \* Vicki Stegeman-Continuing Education - \$100.00 \* Vicki Stegeman-Travel Expense & Per Diem.00 - \$442 \* WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP.-Supplies - \$377.33 \* Western Equipment Finance-Debt Service - \$1293.36 \* Total Payroll – \$57,231.29 \*

**Unfinished Business:**

No unfinished business.

**New Business:**

No new business.

**Communications:**

Clerk Bauer was informed by the city insurance that the guidelines are the same for an archery range or a shooting range. She will find out what the increase in insurance may be for the city implementing an archery range.

The contractors have been working on the splash pad and hopefully within the next week they will get the concrete poured.

The lake mowing tractor is in the shop to determine the problems they have been having with it.

A motion was made by Council member Carlson, second of Council member Ortgies to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 p.m. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Johnson. "No" None. "Absent" Hahn, Johnson. Motion carried.

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Dan Riley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ashlea Bauer  
City Administrator/Clerk

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A regular meeting of the Chappell City Council was held August 18, 2025, at the Chappell City Hall at 5:00 P.M. The following members were present; Riley, Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. Staff members present were City Attorney Kendra Strommen, City Administrator/Clerk Ashlea Bauer, City Treasurer Geralyn Konruff, CDD Shaunna Mashek and Street Supervisor Jerrod Elms. Others present included Paul Strommen, Scott DeCoste, Lee & Michelle Bartlett, Vanessa Bartlett and Kristian Fuslier.

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

**Public Comments:**

Vanessa Bartlett expressed her concerns with nuisance properties in town.

**Consent Agenda:**

A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to approve the consent agenda, minutes of the regular meeting August 4, 2025, treasurer's report, sheriff's June and July reports. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

American Test Center, Inc - Maintenance - \$1833.00 \* Arnold Pool Company - Swimming Pool Exp - \$56.35 \* Arrow Seed LLC - Supplies - \$56.00 \* Arrowhead Distributing, Inc - Beer Expense - \$770.95 \* Ault Well Service - Repair - \$486.00 \* Bomgaars - Supplies - \$263.35 \* Cash-Wa Distributing - Candy/Pop - \$226.61 - Liquor Expense - \$72.27 - Perishables - \$19.41- Supplies - \$211.81 \* Chappell Lumber - Animal Control - \$27.68 - Mow, Trim & Spray - \$9.99 - Supplies - \$523.05 - Swimming Pool Exp - \$25.99 \* Chappell Register - Ads, Forms & Printing - \$416.91 \* Chappell Super Foods - Liquor Expense - \$25.37 - Perishables - \$65.66 - Supplies - \$3.99 - Swimming Pool Exp - \$21.74 \* Contractors Materials - Equipment - \$578.00 - Supplies - \$585.20 - Tools - \$289.00 \* Croell Inc - Gravel & Concrete - \$3049.35 \* Culligan - Supplies - \$122.78 \* Dietrich Distributing - Beer Expense - \$950.45 \* Eakes Office Products Center - Supplies - \$370.04 \* Enviro Safety - CPR - \$448.80 \* Enviro Service Inc - Lab Testing - \$30.00 \* Fox Insurance - Insurance & Bonds - \$695.00 \* Frenchman Valley Co-op - Chemicals & Fertilizer - \$1007.00 - Fuel - \$1770.00 \* Hansen's Petroleum - Fuel - \$2424.48 \* High Plains Budweiser - Beer Expense - \$1316.85 \* Hometown Leasing - Leases - \$108.67 \* Ideal Linen Supply - Supplies - \$1055.44 \* Johnson Brothers of Nebraska - Liquor Expense - \$493.00 \* Kacey Huff - Supplies - \$2653.00 \* L L Johnson Distributing CO - Repair - \$53.98 \* League of NE Municipalities - Subscriptions & Dues - \$2537.00 \* MacQueen Equipment - Repair - \$968.04 \* Matheson Tri-Gas Inc - Oxygen - \$204.62 \* MCR Medical Supply, Inc - Supplies - \$288.80 \* Municipal Supply Inc of Nebraska - Supplies - \$815.06 \* Nebraska Department of Agriculture - Animal Control - \$175.00 \* Nebraska Library Commission - Subscriptions & Dues - \$500.00 \* NMC Exchange LLC - Repair - \$20,715.50 \* One Billing Solutions, LLC - Collections Expense - \$26.56 \* Pepsi-Cola of Alliance - Candy/Pop - \$360.33 \* Petty Cash - Postage - \$124.75 - Supplies - \$10.00 \* Premier Auto Parts & Service, LLC - Fuel - \$99.71 - Repair - \$24.49 \* - Supplies - \$885.38 - Tools - \$8.83 \* Pye-Barker Fire Safety - Subscriptions & Dues - \$273.00 \* Reichman Construction - Community Improvement - \$9750.00 \* RNDC-Eagle/Falcon Division - Liquor Expense - \$517.14 \* Stephanie Behrends - Books/Video - \$114.52 \* Subsurface Solutions - Equipment - \$18,096.50 \* Verizon Wireless - Telephone/Communications - \$310.73 \* Vistabeam - Telephone/Communications - \$938.24 \* Waste Connections, Inc - Trash Hauling/Recycling - \$13.75 \* Western Resources Group Inc. - Trash Hauling/Recycling - \$602.00 \* WEX BANK - Fuel - \$1229.88 \* Wheat Belt Public Power District - Utilities - \$112.88 \* Total Payroll - \$52,089.89 \*

**Unfinished Business:**

Discussion was held on nuisance properties and how to handle them. There are several nuisance properties in town and the council along with concerned citizens want to get them cleaned up. The consensus was that it is time to act on the nuisances. Attorney Strommen provided the council with the steps to identify and handle a nuisance property. A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Ortgies to move forward taking on the abatement procedures through the city code by starting with a board of health meeting and to continue exploring the use of a third party to future abatement work. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried. City clerk will schedule a board of health meeting as the first step to proceed forward.

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Council member Ortgies, second of Council member Hahn to approve the increase for Devan Schultz who has completed his 90 day probationary period. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

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

Consideration was given to Resolution 2025-08 Signing of Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form 2025. A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Carlson to pass Resolution 2025-08 Signing of Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form 2025. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION 2025-08**

Resolution for the Signing of the Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance Form 2025.

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification.

Be it resolved that the Mayor of the City of Chappell is hereby authorized to sign the Municipal Certification of Program Compliance Form.

Consideration was given to Resolution 2025-09 to approve the airport authority budget. A motion was made by Council member Hahn, second of Council member Johnson to approve Resolution 2025-09 Chappell Airport Authority Levy at \$10,610, no increase from last year. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION 2025-09**

WHEREAS, Nebraska Statute 77-3443 requires all political subdivisions subject to the city levy authority to submit a preliminary request for levy allocation to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Chappell City Council is the levy authority for the Chappell Airport Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Chappell City Council shall adopt a resolution by a majority vote of the present members which determines the final allocation of levy authority to the Chappell Airport Authority, as a city political subdivision;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council that the Chappell Airport Authority's requested tax amount of \$10610.00 for the fiscal year 2025-2026 be approved.

### **Communications:**

Jerrold told council that the concrete was going to be poured for the splash pad this week. He is also waiting for the engineer to get back to him on his recommendations for what to do with the low water levels in pond 3 at the sewer plant.

Council member Ortgies thanked Shaunna for all she does for the community. Ortgies asked if mosquito spraying was still be done, Jerrod said they would schedule to do it again.

A motion was made by Council member Johnson, second of Council member Hahn to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m. "Yes" Ortgies, Carlson, Hahn, Johnson. "No" None. Motion carried.

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Dan Riley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ashlea Bauer  
City Administrator/Clerk