

Minutes
City Council
August 7, 2023

The City Council of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Utilities Conference Room at the Utility Shop on the 7th day of August, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same being annexed to the minutes of the meeting as Attachment #1, said attachment showing how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this notice, the same having been transmitted to each Council Member simultaneously. The Mayor presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Routine Business

The following Council Members were present: Lance Beethe, Alicia Brommer, Travis Goracke, James Reed, Tyler Speckmann and Lorie Topp. Absent: None Others present: Mayor, City Attorney, 3 Staff, 1 media, 5 public.

Meeting called to order at 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Grof read a statement of availability of current copy of Open Meeting Act.

Additions or Corrections to Agenda – none.

PUBLIC HEARING

Application to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG). Hearing Opened at 5:00 p.m.
No public comment. Hearing closed at 5:01 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

Sheriff's Report- handed out at meeting.

Discussion Tecumseh Tomorrow's. Stacie Lada and Lisa Othmer spoke to the status of Daycare project. Currently in the silent phase of fund raising. Looking for additional ARPA funding, other grant opportunities.

Consider new banking options for City/BPW funds. Discussion on local banking for City/BPW funds. Items reviewed were fees, interest rates and on-line banking platforms. Council requested additional information on interest rates before decision to be made. -Tabled.

City Clerk Report- Budget work.

Streets Report- Goracke reported that tree limbs were picked up from the storm, material is ordered for the bottom off the culvert on Broadway, and looking into bids for paving 2nd street.

ED Report- Still looking for one or two more OOR projects, projects at the intersection are progressing faster now, and working towards a CDBG Planning grant for the downtown district.

Utility Report- Crews responded to power outages due to the storm, total of about 165 customers were affected. Installing URD to the JCH building and waiting to get installation done at NAPA and UStop.

Parks Report- Regular Pool season over. Will continue to offer Water Aerobics, adult lap swim, and will be open the weekends of August 12-13 and 26-27 from 1:00-5:00. Purchase Mulch for city park.

Consider Authorization for the Mayor to sign all documents related to the City of Tecumseh's Community Development Grant (CDBG) funding. Motion by Goracke, Seconded by Reed to authorize mayor to sign for CDBG funding. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Resolution of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska Authorizing the Execution of All Contracts, Documents, or Other Memoranda between the City of Tecumseh, and the Nebraska Department of Economic Development to Accept awarded Grant. Introduction of Resolution by Reed, Seconded by Topp to approve Resolution. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Purchase of new John Deere Z930R Ztrack Mower, Trade in 2015 JD Mower-\$9,300.00. Motion by Reed, Seconded by Topp to approve purchase. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Lease Buyout/Purchase of 2021 John Deere Gator -UV835M-\$21,750. Motion by Reed, Seconded by Topp to approve lease/purchase buyout. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Purchase of Rubber Mulch for Park-\$8,000. Motion by Speckmann, Seconded by Goracke to approve purchase. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Proposal from Constructors for 2nd Street Overlay from 136 south to Broadway and one block of Grant Street from 6th to 5th, \$157,138.00. Motion by Reed, Seconded by Brommer to approve proposal. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Wage Recommendation for 2023-2024 Fiscal Year. Motion by Reed. Seconded by Topp to approve wages as recommended. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: Goracke. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider Resolution of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska Denying Allocation of Levy Authority to Tecumseh Airport, but authorizing Transfer of Funds to Tecumseh Airport Pursuant to Interlocal Agreement. Introduction of Resolution by Goracke, Seconded by Brommer to approve resolution. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Motion Carried.

Consider an Interlocal Agreement with the Tecumseh Airport Authority. Motion by Reed. Seconded by Topp to approve Airport Interlocal Agreement. Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: Goracke. Absent: Motion Carried.

Budget Work Session- Review and Discussion on proposed 2023-2024 budget.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Topp, second by Reed to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approve Minutes from the July 17, 2023 meeting.
2. Pay bills for City Funds

Voting Aye: Beethe, Brommer, Goracke, Reed, Speckmann, Topp. Voting Nay: None. Not Present:
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Janelle Moran, City Clerk

Jesse Grof, Mayor