

REGULAR MEETING

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Cozad, Dawson County, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 24, 2022 in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building at 215 West 8th Street. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Council Chambers.

Present for the meeting were: Mayor Kloepping, City Attorney Trusdale, Councilmembers: Olds, Montgomery, Kloppenborg, Leahy, Clerk Kloepping, Police Chief Montgomery, Commissioner Franzen, Commissioner Fales, Commissioner Weinmaster.

Absent: City Administrator Schwanz, Library Director Yocom.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publishing in the Tri City Trib. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda was given to members of the City Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was opened to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Kloepping opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Olds moved, Montgomery seconded, to open the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Leahy, Kloppenborg, Montgomery, Olds. No – None.

Leahy moved, Kloppenborg seconded, to close the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Olds, Montgomery, Kloppenborg, Leahy. No – None.

Montgomery moved, Olds seconded, to approve Resolution 2022-1 to recommend approval to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission on the application for Shelby Dyches-Chandler dba Big E's Lounge for a Class C liquor license to be operated at 707 Meridian Avenue. Roll call vote: Yea – Leahy, Kloppenborg, Olds, Montgomery. No – None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-1 OF THE CITY OF COZAD, NEBRASKA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF COZAD, NEBRASKA, that:

Sec. 1. The City of Cozad has received a Class C liquor license application from Shelby Dyches-Chandler dba Big E's Lounge.

Sec. 2. Notice of a Public Hearing on said application set for January 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. was published as required by law.

Sec. 3. The Cozad City Council held a public hearing concerning the application of Shelby Dyches-Chandler dba Big E's Lounge Class C liquor license.

Sec. 4. Upon hearing it is found and determined that the liquor license of Shelby Dyches-Chandler dba Big E's Lounge is hereby approved.

Sec. 5. The City Clerk is authorized to submit necessary documents to the Nebraska Liquor Commission evidencing the outcome of the public hearing of said application.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2022.

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

Marcus Klopping, Mayor

Brandi Klopping, City Clerk/Treasurer

Leahy moved, Kloppenborg seconded, to approve the consent agenda that included:

City Council Minutes – January 10, 17 ad hoc

Approve payment of \$500.00 to CDS Inspections for CDBG 18-HO-33060

Treasurer’s Report - December

Roll call vote: Yea –Montgomery, Olds, Kloppenborg, Leahy. No-None.

Montgomery moved, Olds seconded, to approve the claims: AMERICAN FUNDS -ex- 650.00, Altec Industries, Inc.-ex - 1291.00, BOUND TREE MEDICAL – su-656.71, CARDMEMBER SERVICES -su 1252.83, COMFORT INN -ex- 599.68, COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE -ex- 5250.34, COZAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE -ex- 5385.00, COZAD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION -ex- 21477.95, COZAD ELKS CLUB -ex- 552.52, COZAD POSTMASTER -su- 58.00, CENGAGE LEARNING INC/GALE -su- 32.29, DANKO -su- 1142.12, DAWSON AREA DEVELOPMENT – ex-500.00, DAWSON PEST CONTROL – ex-44.90, DEMCO INC -su- 254.40, DOUBLE L EMBROIDERY – su-583.84, EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS – su-365.48, ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION DIVISION -ex- 92.08, EFTPS – ex-14394.74, EQUIPMENT BLADES INC – su-3472.83, Equitable Financial Lif Ins Co of Americ ex-- 104.96, FYR - TEK INC -su- 256.57, HUNT CLEANERS INC -su- 57.75, JACK’S WELDING LLC -su-176.25 , KATHLEEN A LAUGHLIN CHPT 13 TRUSTEE -ex- 127.00, LEXINGTON AREA SOLIDWASTE AGEN -ex- 9750.27, LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP -ex- 8410.14, Leroy Kramer, Region 12 Treasurer -ex- 180.00, MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS -su- 70.00, MID-IOWA SOLID WASTE EQUIPMENT CO., INC. -su- 77.74, MID-STATES ORGANIZED CRIME INFORMATION C -ex- 100.00, MONTGOMERY MARK -su- 98.35, NEBRASKA DEPT REVENUE -ex- 2395.81, OLSSON ASSOCIATES -ex- 6844.80, Oliver Consulting Services, Inc. -ex-649.00, PAULSEN INC -ex- 4608.87, Regional Care Inc. -ex- 61033.62, SUN LIFE FINANCIAL -ex- 1824.41, T A S C -ex-1511.07, TRI CITY TRIBUNE – su-350.31, WAYPOINT BANK – ex-55.50, WEX BANK – ex-1132.99, gWorks – ex-2000.00, Total - 159872.12

Roll call vote: Yea – Kloppenborg, Leahy, Olds, Montgomery. No – None.

Discussion was taken up on the 1 & 6 year street plan, may need to adjust some that are finished and check on some that were not on the plan.

Olds moved, Montgomery seconded, to approve to waive In Lieu of Taxes payment FYE 2023 for the Cozad Housing Authority. Roll call vote: Yea – Kloppenborg, Leahy, Montgomery, Olds. No – None.

Montgomery moved, Kloppenborg seconded, to approve Resolution 2022-2 approving the provisions of the USDA regulations for new REDLG loan for Cozad Hospital. Roll call vote: Yea - Olds, Leahy, Kloppenborg, Montgomery. No – None.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-2

OF THE
CITY COZAD, NEBRASKA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF COZAD, NEBRASKA, that:

WHEREAS, CITY OF COZAD prepared an application for a \$300,000 Rural Economic Development Grant which will supplement a revolving loan fund for the purpose of sustaining rural economic development and job creation projects; and

WHEREAS, CITY OF COZAD is committing \$60,000 from its economic development funds to meet the matching dollar amount requirements for creating a revolving loan fund, and these matching funds will remain in the revolving loan fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council also authorizes the loan fund committee to review all applications from the newly formed City of Cozad Loan Fund.

WHEREAS, Cozad Community Health Systems is the recipient for the initial 0% interest loan for ten years, for the Cozad Community Health Systems to create new jobs and investment in Cozad Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, CITY OF COZAD is an eligible Rural Utility Services borrower and is therefore eligible to participate in the Rural Economic Development Grant and Loan Program and has legal authority under its Charter to enter into a grant agreement in the accordance with the provisions of 7 CFR Part 4280.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council agrees to the provisions of the USDA regulations including all subparts of the Grant agreement and authorizes the Mayor to represent the City on all commitments and management of the application;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby certify that the project does not violate 4280.27 regarding ineligible purposes and 4280.30 regarding restrictions on the uses of REDG and REDL of 7 CFR Part 4280 and that there is not conflict of interest, potential conflict of interest, or an appearance of conflict of interest known by the City of Cozad, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and/or City Clerk be empowered and authorized to requisition grant funds under the program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City of Cozad the certification form AD-109, regarding a drug free workplace program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate staff be authorized and directed to prepare and execute the necessary documents and certifications in order to carry out the intent of this resolution, subject to review and approval of Rural Business and Cooperative Development and service loan documents by the City of Cozad or its agent, and further subject to other government documents deemed necessary by the City of Cozad or its agent at their sole discretion, with such documents prepared by counsel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Cozad City Council hereby adopts the City of Cozad Rural Development Plan and Scope of Work as approved by USDA on the 20th day of February, 2012.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of January, 2022.

MARCUS KLOEPPING, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

BRANDI KLOEPPING, CITY CLERK

I, Brandi Kloeping, do hereby certify that I am the City Clerk of the City of Cozad, an electric non-profit utility organized and existing under the laws of the State of Nebraska; that the foregoing is a complete and correct copy of Resolution No. 2022-2 adopted by the City Council of this municipality duly and properly called and held on 24th day of January, 2022; that a quorum was present at the meeting; that this action has not be rescinded or modified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affix the seal of this municipality on that 24th day of January, 2022.

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

BRANDI KLOEPPING, CITY CLERK

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor Marcus Kloeping

ATTEST:

City Clerk / Treasurer Brandi Kloeping