

**THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GERING CITY COUNCIL,  
FEBRUARY 25, 2019**

A regular meeting of the City Council of Gering, Nebraska was held in open session on February 25, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Gering City Hall, 1025 P Street, Gering, NE. Present were Mayor Kaufman and Councilmembers Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison and Cowan. Also present were City Administrator Lane Danielzuk, City Clerk Kathy Welfl and City Attorney Jim Ellison. Absent was Councilmember O'Neal. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Star-Herald, the designated method of giving notice. All proceedings hereafter were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kaufman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Mayor stated that there was a quorum of the Council and City business could be conducted.

1. Recital of the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer
2. Roll Call
3. Excuse councilmember absence (None)

**OPEN MEETINGS ACT - NEB.REV.STAT. CHAPTER 84, ARTICLE 14**

Mayor Kaufman stated: As required by State Law, public bodies shall make available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room. Agenda items may be moved up or down on the agenda at the discretion of the Mayor. As required by State Law, additions may not be made to this agenda less than 24 hours before the beginning of the meeting unless they are considered under this section of the agenda and Council determines that the matter requires emergency action.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approve minutes of the February 11, 2019 regular Council meeting
2. Approve Claims and Financials

**Claims:**

2-2-19 TO 2-15-19

21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY EQUIPMENT \$23.12 MAINT – JD MOWERS, 24/7 FITNESS \$410.00 WELLNESS, AMERICAN DOORSTOP PROJECT \$12,500.00 LB840 GRANT, BAVCO VALVE CO \$130.50 BACKFLOW PREVENTOR ICE MACHINE, BENZEL PEST CONTROL \$90.95 PEST CONTROL 1050 M ST, BKD RENTALS LLC \$2,154.20 FEB 2019 PRAIRIE PINES SUBSIDY, BLACK HILLS ENERGY \$1,790.12 GAS BILL 615 RUNDELL RD, BLAKE RYAN \$91.00 CASPER GROUNDSKEEPER CONF, BLR \$536.99 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS HANDBOOK, BLUFFS SANITARY SUPPLY \$124.84 PLUNGER/AIR FRESHENER/SOAP GOLF MAIN/TRASH BAGS/RESTROOM SUPP, BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES \$115.49 REP LIGHTS OVER CIR DESK/WIRE/HENDRIX SET UP, CENTURYLINK \$2,687.32 TELEPHONE BILL ALLOCATION, CHARTER COMM \$628.66 TV/INTERNET CHRGS, CITY INSURANCE FUND \$176,076.36 HEALTH PREM 125, CITY OF GERING \$1,456.61 RFRSHMNTS COMP PLAN WORKSHOP/AWARDS BANQUET CEREMONY, CITY PAYROLL TRUST \$4,894.30 FSA MEDICAL 125/VOL LIFE INS <50/DISABILITY INS, COLORADO ASPHALT SRV'S \$4,033.40 23.45 TONS COLD MIX, CONNECTING POINT \$287.95 COPY CHRGS, CREDIT BUREAU SRV'S \$217.49 GARNISHMENT, CRESCENT ELECTRIC SUPPLY \$41.85 BREAKER, CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING \$76.50 SALT, DALES TIRE & RETREADING \$85.18 TIRE RPR ON BOB CAT, DATA TECHNOLOGIES \$436.10 TAX FORMS, DENNIS SUPPLY CO \$117.84 FILTERS, DEPT OF MOTOR VEHICLES \$6.60 UNDERCOVER PLATES, DHHS DIVISION PUBLIC HEALTH \$18.00 WATER LAB, DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT CENTER \$95.24 PRIMER & TAPE PAINTING PIPE, DISCOVER BANK \$2.74 GARNISHMENT 2, DOCU-SHRED LLC \$52.00 DOCUMENT SHREDDING SRV'S/64 GALLON CONTAINER SHREDDING, DOOLEY OIL INC \$243.38 OIL CENTRAL PLANT PUMP MOTORS/GREASE ALJON, EADS SHANE \$75.00 RV ROOM RENTAL DEPOSIT, ELITE TOTAL FITNESS \$102.00 ELITE FITNESS, ENVIRO SRV INC \$1,374.50 WATER LABS/MWW LAB, EZ GO DIVISION OF TEXT \$33,983.43 JACOBSEN HYBRID GREENS MOWER, FANKHAUSER DUSTIN \$41.00 WGGG CONF CASPER WY, FASTENAL CO \$159.99 RPR'S/RPR'S/LAB GLOVES/BOLTS, FIRST STATE BANK \$366.73 IBEW UNION DUES, FLOYD'S SALES & SRV \$2,864.93 TUBING/RPR'S ON SEWER JET/RPR'S ON G-9/WORK G-10/WORK G-11/ABS VALVE/NOZZLE AND PUMP/CAP/VALVE G-12 & G-11/ABS VALVE/COOLANT LINE, FRANK PARTS CO \$646.36 HEATER HOSES/OIL FILTERS/AIR FILTER MAINT/COOLANT & FILTER/HOSE CLAMP PLIERS FOR SHOP/TRIGGER GUN FOR NORTH SHOP/FILTER TORO 5200, FREMONT MOTOR SCOTTSBLUFF \$102.97 WHEEL ALIGNMENT FOR PICK UP, FRESH FOODS \$22.74 REFRESHMENTS FOR INMATES/DISTILLED H2O GOLF CARS, GALE \$199.92 8 LARGE PRINT BOOKS, GALL'S INC \$308.00 UNIFORMS, GARDNER DEBORAH \$75.00 ROBIDOUX DEPOSIT REFUND, GERING VALLEY PLUMBING \$512.00 RPR HEAT UNIT/RPR'S HVAC, GERING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT \$165.00 COMM TRNG W/LAW ENFORCEMENT, GONZALEZ ANNA \$75.00 RV ROOM DEPOSIT REFUND, GREAT AMERICA LEASING CORP \$100.00 COPIER LEASE, GREGORY'S LOCK SHOP LLC \$163.95 RPR LOCK ON WEST DOOR, GROUND UP CONSTRUCTION \$590.00 JAN 19 JANITORIAL SRV'S, HOME DEPOT \$194.42 BATTERIES/DRILL/SAWZALL, HYDROTEX \$172.30 OIL MOBILE KIT, ICMA ELECTRONIC RETIREMENT \$642.24 ICMA CITY ADMIN, IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY \$117.25 EXCHANGED MATS/1 MOP/9 RUGS, INDOFF INC \$655.67 CALCULATOR RIBBONS/STAPLES/RUBBER BANDS/STANDING DESK/OFFICE SUPP FOR PARK OFFICE/12 PK TAPE/PENS/LAB GLOVE HOLDER/BINDER FOR SDS SHEETS/OFFICE SUPP, INGRAM LIBRARY SRV \$684.84 24 BOOKS, INTERNAL REV SRV \$38,388.62 FED/FICA TAX, INTRALINKS TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS \$3,804.00 COMPUTER SUPPORT/CAT 5 WIRE, JOHN HANCOCK USA \$13,352.44 JH RETIRE 6%, JOHNSON CASHWAY CO \$182.86 SPARE KEYS MADE/RPR PARKS

OFFICE/CENTRAL PLANT PUMP RPR/TOOL SCREW DRIVER/SHOVEL FOR TRUCK/PAINT FOR CONTAINERS, KARST INDUSTRIES INC \$8,700.00 PIPE FOR CATCH FENCE, KAUFMAN TONY \$99.00 MIDWINTER CONF 2019, KING JIMMY \$139.99 FOR BOOTS, KNOWBUDDY RESOURCES \$887.75 45 CHILDRENS BOOKS, KOVARIK ELLISON MATHIS \$1,320.00 LARM/LEAGUE CONFLICTS, LL JOHNSON DISTRIBUTING \$1,430.81 TORO 5010H BEDKNIVES, LOGOZ LLC \$320.00 EMBROIDER PATCH ON COATS, LONDON FLATS LLC \$600.00 HAULING FEE FOR FENCE, LOPEZ JOSE \$41.00 CASPER GROUNDS KEEPER CONF, MAIN STREET APPLIANCE \$10,000.00 RMBRSE FAÇADE GRANT 1455 10<sup>TH</sup>, MATHESON TRI-GAS INC \$345.01 OXYGEN FOR WELDING/PARTS FOR WELDER IN SHOP, MATRIX TRUST CO \$6,343.34 MG T-POLICE, MEAT SHOPPE \$18,712.64 CATERING COSTS, MENARDS \$837.79 BOLTS & NUTS/LUMBER FOR LOFT AREA/GFC1 OUTLET RPR MAINT SHOP/AIR HOSE REELS NEW SHOP, MEYER GARY \$300.00 WATER MAIN RPR, MITCHELL REFRIGERATION \$55.00 WORK ON ICE MACHINE, MONEY WISE OFFICE SUPPLY \$102.97 LEGAL PAPER 1 REAM/OFFICE SUPPLIES/LEGAL PAPER 2 REAMS/PINK PAPER/PENS & REFILLS, MORALES JEAN CARLA \$32.57 OVERPAID FINAL 29010346, MUNICIPAL SUPPLY INC OF \$220.22 PLUGS FOR WATER VALVE BOXES, MUTUAL OF OMAHA \$373.75 BOOK KEEPER RETIREMENT PLAN, NATIONAL INS SRV \$1,144.88 VISION INS, NATIONAL PATENT ANALYTICA \$442.61 DATA MASTER RPR, NE CHILD SUPPORT PYMT \$794.64 CHILD SUPPORT 1, NE DEPT OF REV (PR) \$12,155.14 STATE TAXES, NE SAFETY FIRE EQUIPMENT \$373.63 5 YR SRV CHECK, NEBRASKA MACHINERY CO \$426.50 OIL FILTER FOR 914C LOADER, NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL POWER \$500.00 TRAINING GROUP, NEBRASKALAND TIRE \$554.02 TIRES ON UNIT 61, NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS \$31.19 PIPE CLAMP/PARTS SEWER PIPE @ BOOSTER STATION, PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP FOR \$180.00 PLANNING WORKSHOP 6 ATTENDEES, PAYROLL CHECKS \$118,665.80 PAYROLL CHECKS ON 2-15-19, POWERPLAN OIB \$2,599.93 BOLTS FOR CUTTING EDGE/RPR'S ON 180G EXCAVATOR, R & R PRODUCTS INC \$357.75 HYDRAULIC FILTERS/BEN KNIVES, RECORDED BOOKS LLC \$40.50 1 AUDIO BOOK, REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL CENTER \$63.00 CPR CARDS FOR EMT'S, RODRIGUEZ JOSE \$89.00 TOW SRV'S, RON'S TOWING \$275.00 TOW SRV'S, RUSCH'S CONSTRUCTION \$2,660.00 NEW DOORS, SANDBERG IMPLEMENT INC \$1,104.49 RPR 07 & 12 KUBOTA/3 CHAINSAW CHAPS SAFETY/MAINT STIHL TRIMMERS, SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY \$1,534.15 SCBA TESTING, SCB CO SHERIFF OFFICE \$29.44 LEGAL PAPERWORK DELIVERY, SCHLAGER JORDAN \$41.00 CASPER GROUNDS KEEPER CONF, SCOTTS BLUFF CO CONSOLIDATED \$85.00 BUILDING ALARM FEE, SCOTTSBLUFF GERING UNITED \$70.75 UNITED WAY CTRB, SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER \$525.00 FINANCIAL SUPPORT, SHEEP CREEK FILMS \$1,165.00 CVB VISUAL PROMOTION PKG, SLAFTER OIL CO \$307.65 HYDRO OIL TORL 6M3050, SLEUTH SOFTWARE \$500.00 ANNUAL MAINT RENEWAL, SOLUTIONS EAP \$244.55 COUNSELING SRV'S, SONNY'S TOWING \$100.00 TOW SRV, STAPLES CREDIT PLAN \$135.44 CVB OFFICE SUPPLIES, STATE OF NE/DAS COMM \$130.24 LONG DISTANCE PHONE CHRGS, SUGAR VALLEY FEDERAL CREDIT \$678.37 CREDIT UNION, TEAM CHEVROLET \$375.00 WING LEASE, THOMPSON GLASS INC \$425.65 WINDOW RPR @ CLUBHOUSE, TRIHYDRO CORP \$5,686.00 GERING SCB LANDFILL STEP 1, TWIN CITY AUTO \$35.00 PLOW LIGHT, UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO \$755.00 FOLDER #0314879 RPLC SEWERLINE, US AUTO FORCE \$49.96 TIRES, VAN PELT FENCING \$14.65 PARTS TO FIX FENCE, VERIZON WIRELESS \$945.64 IPAD CHRGS/M2M BILL TABLETS/DATA FEE GOLF PRO IPAD, WAREHOUSE FITNESS CENTER \$446.00 WELLNESS, WARRIOR RUN \$3,440.83 SUPP FOR 2018 WARRIOR RUN, WATCH GUARD VIDEO \$45.00 WATCHGUARD ASSEMBLY, WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$104.86 VEST FOR BRYCE, WESTERN NE COMM COL \$896.20 4 EMT BOOKS FOR CLASS, WESTERN STATES BANK \$17,890.94 HSA CTRB 125, WESTERN STATES BANK - POL \$360.00 PO UNION DUES, WESTERN UNITED ELECTRIC \$42,195.57 3 PHASE TRANSFORMERS, WINCHELL CLEANING SRV \$580.00 CLEAN HALLS/BATHS/OFFICES, WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY \$377.34 HOSE FOR 2" LEAK PUMP/HOSE & CLAMPS FOR G-5, YMCA \$470.00 WELLNESS

**Motion by Councilmember Morrison to approve the consent agenda. Second by Councilmember Wiedeman. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**BIDS:** (None)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**1. Public Hearing regarding the One and Six Year Street Plan – Transportation Superintendent, Casey Dahlgren**

Mayor Kaufman opened the public hearing for the One and Six Year Street Plan at 6:02 p.m.

**Summary of City of Gering 1 & 6 Year Plan**

**2019**

**1 Year Projects**

Lockwood Road and Highway 92 Intersection	\$40,000
13 <sup>th</sup> Street from U Street North to dead end	\$123,000
N Street from 10 <sup>th</sup> Street to 11 <sup>th</sup> Street	\$55,000
Sage Street from M Street south to alley	\$42,000
9 <sup>th</sup> Street from R Street to S Street	\$33,000

1 Year Plan Total \$293,000

**6 Year Plan**

Five Rocks Road & Oregon Trail Blvd

6 Year Plan Total \$100,000

Casey Dahlgrin, Transportation Superintendent, addressed Council and stated that he'd start with the one-year projects: Lockwood Road and Highway 92 intersection will be a concrete project as the intersection is pretty much gone. The next four will actually be mill & overlays (13<sup>th</sup> Street from U Street North to dead end, N Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Sage Street from M Street south to alley, 9<sup>th</sup> Street from R Street to S Street ). He stated that Sage Street from M Street south to the ally will have a little concrete work because of ADA requirements. On the six-year plan we just have the Five Rocks Road and Oregon Trail Boulevard intersection. He added that they're trying to update the Pavement Plan throughout the city. They did it five or six years ago but they're in the midst of updating that again now.

Councilmember Smith asked if there were any plans to do some chip/seal. Mr. Dahlgrin replied not this year; he said that will be next year. Chip/seal is maintenance - anything less than two inches is considered maintenance, so it's not part of the One and Six Year Plan. Budget wise we do about \$100,000 to \$120,000 every two years; this is our off-year on chip/seal, we did some last year.

Councilmember Wiedeman asked for clarification on the Five Rocks Road and Oregon Trail Blvd. Mr. Dahlgrin replied that that would be the Soto addition/intersection - Westwood. The intersection has actually been approved by the state but we have not paid the fee for it. He said staff are doing the pavement plan to see where we stand from the last time we did it and how well the streets are holding up. Councilmember Wiedeman asked what a pavement plan is. Mr. Dahlgrin replied that it tells us... we look at various size sections and rate the street for cracks and other things; it's time-consuming. He added that Council will see more about it during budget.

With no further comments Mayor Kaufman asked if anyone in Council Chambers wished to speak in favor of the One and Six Year Street Plan. Seeing none he asked if anyone wanted to speak in opposition of the One and Six Year Street Plan. Seeing none he closed the administrative record and the public hearing closed at 6:07 PM.

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to enter the administrative record, which is the One and Six Year Street Plan, for this public hearing into the public record. Second by Councilmember Cowan. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

#### **1a. Adopt Resolution 2-19-1 approving the One and Six Year Street Plan**

##### **RESOLUTION 2-19-1**

WHEREAS, at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Gering, Nebraska, held in the Gering City Council Chambers, 1025 "P" Street, Gering, Nebraska on February 25, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., a public hearing was held on the One and Six Year Street Improvement Program, as advertised and posted.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF GERING, NEBRASKA, THAT:

The One and Six Year Street Program for 2019 is hereby approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt the One and Six Year Street Improvement Program for fiscal year 2019. On roll call vote, the following voted "AYE": \_\_\_\_\_ "NAY" \_\_\_\_\_ Absent: \_\_\_\_\_.

Whereupon the Mayor declared said Motion carried and Resolution passed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and affix the seal of said City this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mark A. Kaufman, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Kathy Welfl, City Clerk

**Motion by Councilmember Smith to adopt Resolution 2-19-1 approving the 2019 One and Six Year Street Improvement Plan. Second by Councilmember Gillen. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**CURRENT BUSINESS:**

**1. Library Annual Report**

Suzanne Myers, Past-President of the Library Board and Tracy Henderson, the current President, Presented a Power Point to the Council highlighting the events/activities of the last year as well as current staff, board members and statistics. The following information was presented to Council in pamphlet form.

**Library Hours:**

Monday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
 Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
 Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday Closed

**Library Board of Directors:**

Monthly meetings every third Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. at the library.  
 Tracy Henderson, President  
 Suzanne Myers, Vice President  
 Catharine Houstoun  
 Dr. Alan Johnson  
 Michelle Moore

**Staff: (5.6 full time equivalent):**

- Diane Downer, Director, 28 1/2 years of service with the City (13 years in current position).
- Kathryn Wasserburger, Technical Services Librarian, 13 years of service with the City.
- Christie Clarke, Youth Services Librarian, 8 1/2 years of service with the City (5 1/2 years in current position).
- Sherry Preston, Public Services Librarian, 3 years of service with the City.
- Myra Dillman, Library Assistant II, 3 1/2 years of service with the City.
- Ann Anderson, Library Assistant I, 6 months of service with the City.
- Tammie Gitschel, Library Assistant I, 2 1/2 years of service with the City.
- Hannah Johns, Library Page, 1 year of service with the City.
- Lexi Tallmon, Library Page, 1 year of service with the City.

**Financial Report: Revenue**

City of Gering	\$475,527
Library State Aid	\$1,375
Lender's Compensation	\$727
Other	\$4,239

**Expenditures**

Staff, Benefits, Training	\$356,393
Library Materials	\$38,867
Support Services	\$85,764

**Foundation Board of Directors:**

Charles Lieske, President  
 William C. Peters, Vice-President  
 Tom Swan, Treasurer  
 Kay Grote, Secretary  
 Penny Businga  
 David Nash  
 Sandra Reddish  
 Beverly Russell  
 Crystal Sandberg  
 Leann Sato

**Friends Board of Directors:**

Liz Ossian, President  
 Carol Enderle, Vice President  
 David Tarr, Treasurer  
 Karen Carrizales, Secretary  
 Mary Robinson  
 Judy Sharp  
 Lisa Walter  
 Kathy Yost

**Volunteers:**

Sandra Dyer, delivering books to  
 our homebound.  
 Connie King, covering books.

**Statistical  
Information:****Circulation**

Adult Materials (includes downloadable materials)	31,955
Children's Materials (includes downloadable materials)	14539
Total	46,494

**Interlibrary Loans**

Loaned	360
Borrowed	214

**Collection**

Books (Print )	30,083
Audio	1,134
Videos/DVDs	1,366
Periodicals/Newspapers	70
Cake Pans	23
Total	32,676

**Electronic Collection**

E-books (NE Overdrive)	25,629
Audio (NE Overdrive)	13,784
Databases	28

## Library Services

Community Room Usage	203
Registered Borrowers	7143
Library Visits	38,743
Reference Transactions	5,004
Public Computers Usage	7,734
Children's Programs	173
Young Adult Programs	5
Adult Programs	35

## Children Programs

Story times are held Wednesday mornings for Toddlers with playtime afterwards and Thursday mornings for Preschool with an activity. LEAP (Learn, Educate, Achieve & Play) is an eight week program that is offered twice a year. Lego Club is now offered Wednesday afternoons to coincide with early release from school. SMILE (See Me in the Library Event) is our program to introduce 2nd graders to the library and getting their own card. We visit the schools in February and then the students visit us in March and April.

## Summer Reading Program

"Libraries Rock" was the theme for 2018 Summer Reading Program. We had twenty-five programs including a history of blues performed by Joey Leone at Five Rocks Amphitheater and a children's performance of "The String Beans" at Midwest Theater.

## Technology

New public access computers have been installed with larger screens, Microsoft Office 16 and Windows 10 operating system. Not necessarily technology, but we also got a new back door, a new A/C unit for the story time room, and a new spigot on the faucet outdoors. We are currently working on trying to solve the handicap access to the basement with a new lift.

## Memorials

Several memorials this year, including one over \$2000 for "Tad" Shoemaker, who was once an employee at the library. The family requested it be used to further enhance story times. A STEM cart with several activities was purchased.

## GPL Building Project:

Joseph Hewgley & Associates and Humphries Poli Architects completed their study. Four sites were evaluated: Current facility; old Lane property; Legion Park; and the property south of Dome Rock Manor. Megan Hayward presented the final report which was given to the community and City Council in September 2018.

## Library Services:

- Story times for both toddlers and preschool ages
- S.M.I.L.E. (See Me in the Library Event for 2nd graders)
- LEAP (Learn, Explore, Achieve, Play—an early childhood school readiness program)
- Lego Club
- Summer Reading Program for all ages
- Book Discussion Groups
- Tax Forms
- Book Drop—return your materials 24 hours a day
- Interlibrary Loan—get materials from anywhere in the world
- Online Card Catalog
- Reserve or Hold List
- Phone, email, and online renewals
- Britannica Online
- Tumble Books
- Downloadable audio and e-books
- Readers' Advisory

- Internet Access—including Wi-Fi
- Tours for all ages—scouts, seniors, community groups, etc.
- Class Visits
- Fax Service
- Computers and Printers—for word-processing, spreadsheet, graphics, etc.
- Scanner
- ADA Workstation
- Reference Service
- Copier
- Homebound Delivery Service
- Microfilm Reader and Printer
- Community Room
- Community Bulletin Board
- Daily/Weekly Newspapers
- Public Notary

Mayor Kaufman thanked Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Henderson for the Annual Library Report. Councilmember Wiedeman commented that she appreciates the services the Library provides including the large print books for patrons who need them.

**Motion by Councilmember Wiedeman to enter the Library Annual Report into the public record. Second by Councilmember Cowan. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**2. Approve Ordinance 2075 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM THE CITY OF GERING, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS OF SAID CONVEYANCE AND FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF**

Mayor Kaufman entertained a motion to introduce Ordinance number 2075 pertaining to Lot One (1), Block One (1), Monument Shadows Subdivision Phase III, City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

**Councilmember Morrison made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2075 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM THE CITY OF GERING, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS OF SAID CONVEYANCE AND FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. Seconded by Councilmember Cowan. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**Councilmember Smith moved that the Ordinance be designated as Ordinance No. 2075 and the title thereof approved, and that the Statutory Rule requiring Ordinances to be fully and distinctly read on three different days be dispensed with, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Gillen. There was no discussion. The Clerk called the roll. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**The motion to suspend the statutory rule having been concurred in by three-fourths of all members elected to the Council, was, by the Mayor declared to have carried. Whereupon Ordinance No. 2075 was read by title only, Councilmember Backus moved that the Ordinance be passed as read, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Holliday. "The question is shall Ordinance No. 2075 be passed?" There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

The passage and adoption of the Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Mayor declared passed.

**3. Approve Ordinance 2076 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM THE CITY OF GERING, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS OF SAID CONVEYANCE AND FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF**

Mayor Kaufman entertained a motion to introduce Ordinance number 2076 pertaining to Lot Two (2), Block One (1), Monument Shadows Subdivision Phase III, City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska.

**Councilmember Wiedeman made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2076 – AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM THE CITY OF GERING, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS OF SAID CONVEYANCE AND FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. Seconded by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. “AYES”: Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. “NAYS”: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O’Neal. Motion Carried.**

**Councilmember Cowan moved that the Ordinance be designated as Ordinance No. 2076 and the title thereof approved, and that the Statutory Rule requiring Ordinances to be fully and distinctly read on three different days be dispensed with, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Smith. There was no discussion. The Clerk called the roll. “AYES”: Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. “NAYS”: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O’Neal. Motion Carried.**

**The motion to suspend the statutory rule having been concurred in by three-fourths of all members elected to the Council, was, by the Mayor declared to have carried. Whereupon Ordinance No. 2076 was read by title only, Councilmember Gillen moved that the Ordinance be passed as read, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Backus. “The question is shall Ordinance No. 2076 be passed?” There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. “AYES”: Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. “NAYS”: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O’Neal. Motion Carried.**

The passage and adoption of the Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Mayor declared passed.

**4. Request for Administrative Committee meeting – Agenda item: Discuss bid process**

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to approve a request for an Administrative Committee meeting with agenda item: Discuss Bid Process. Second by Councilmember Smith. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. “AYES”: Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. “NAYS”: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O’Neal. Motion Carried.**

**5. Consider approving Real Estate Purchase Agreement for Lots 4A and 5A, A Replat of Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7, Block 20, Gardner’s Addition to the City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska**

**Councilmember Gillen made a motion pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute 84-1410 that the Gering City Council enter into closed session for the purpose of: Discussion of strategy, negotiation, protection of the public interest and guidance from City legal counsel regarding a Commercial Purchase Agreement for City owned property described as Lots 4A and 5A, A replat of Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, Block 20, Gardner’s Addition to the City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska, commonly known as 1605 11<sup>th</sup> Street.**

**Mayor Kaufman stated Councilmember Gillen made a motion that the Gering City Council enter into closed session pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute 84-1410, also known as Nebraska’s Public Meetings Law, for the purpose of: Discussion of strategy, negotiation, protection of the public interest and guidance from City legal counsel regarding a Commercial Purchase Agreement for City owned property described as Lots 4A and 5A, A replat of Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, Block 20, Gardner’s Addition to the City of Gering, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska, commonly known as 1605 11<sup>th</sup> Street. The motion was seconded by**



Councilmember Wiedeman. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison and Cowan. "NAYS": Backus. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.

Mayor Kaufman stated that the Council will enter into closed session at 6:40 p.m. He then invited Administrator Danielzuk, City Attorney Jim Ellison as well as Realtor, Kim Bowman, into the closed session.

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to come out of closed session at 7:11 p.m. Second by Councilmember Wiedeman. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison and Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**Motion by Councilmember Cowan to instruct staff to carry forward with negotiations. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison and Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

**REPORTS:** (Information only) None

**CLOSED SESSION:** (Council reserves the right to enter into closed session if deemed necessary.)

**OPEN COMMENT SECTION:** None

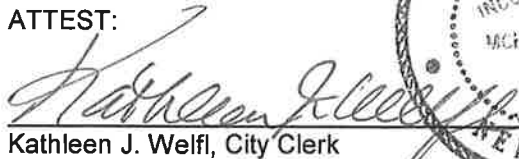
Mayor Kaufman stated discussion or action by Council regarding unscheduled business will not take place. This section is for citizen comment only.

**ADJOURN:**

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to adjourn. Second by Councilmember Cowan. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Gillen, Backus, Holliday, Wiedeman, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: O'Neal. Motion Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Kathleen J. Welfl, City Clerk



  
Mark A. Kaufman, Mayor