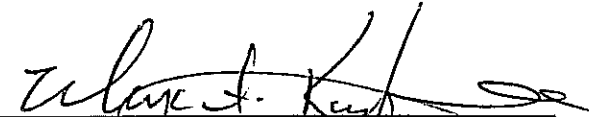



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF
NOTICE OF MEETING**


We, the undersigned, the duly qualified Mayor and Councilmembers, of and for the City of Gering, Nebraska, hereby acknowledge receipt of advance notice and the agenda for the meeting on February 8, 2016 at 6:00pm., in the Gering City Council Chambers, 1025 "P" Street.



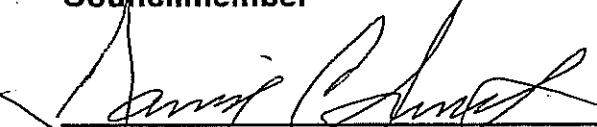
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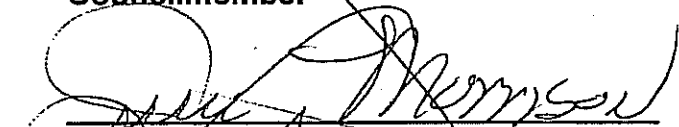
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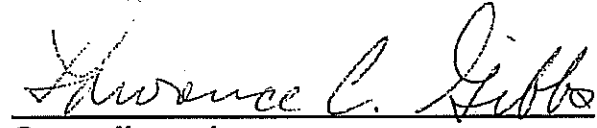
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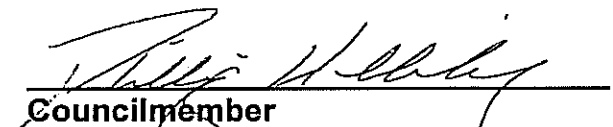
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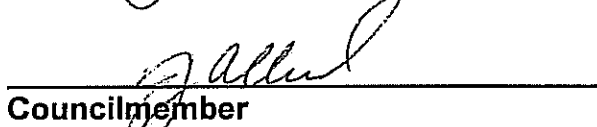
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CERTIFICATE


Kathy Welfl, the duly appointed City Clerk for the City of Gering, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the items which were on the agenda were placed on the agenda not less than 24 hours prior to this meeting and that the news media so requesting, have been notified of the time, place, and subjects to be discussed at this meeting.

I hereby certify that _____
was/were absent from the meeting but that, to my personal knowledge,
he/she/they received advance notice of the meeting.



Kathy Welfl, City Clerk

NOTICE OF MEETINGS FOR FEBRUARY 2016

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Notice is hereby given of Public Meetings of the following Gering City Public Bodies. All meetings will be held in the Gering City Council Chambers or Conference Room, 1025 "P" Street unless otherwise noted.

The Gering City Council will meet at 6:00 P.M. on Monday February 8, 2016 and February 29, 2016.

The Planning Commission will meet at 6:00 P.M. on February 16, 2016.

The Gering Library Board will meet at 5:00 P.M. on February 16, 2016 at the Gering Public Library, 1055 "P" Street.

Members of the Gering City Council may be present at the following: League of Municipalities 2016 Mid-Winter Conference, February 21 - 24, 2016 in Lincoln, Nebraska and Soroptimist International of Scotts Bluff County presents "Dancing with the Stars" on January 30, 2016, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Because one or more City Council members may attend these meetings or events, this notice is also published for the purpose of providing the public with notice that on the date and time designated, a quorum of the Council may be present at the same time as the meetings/events.

Any person with a disability desiring reasonable accommodation to attend a public meeting must contact the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 1025 "P" Street, Gering, NE by 12:00 p.m. five (5) days prior to the date of each meeting. Agendas kept current and up to date are available at the office of the City Clerk during normal business hours.

/s/Kathy Welfl, City Clerk

**THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GERING CITY COUNCIL,
FEBRUARY 8, 2016**

A regular meeting of the City Council of Gering, Nebraska was held in open session on February 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Gering City Hall at 1025 P Street, Gering, NE. Present were Mayor Kaufman and Councilmembers Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison and Cowan. Also present were City Administrator Lane Danielzuk, City Clerk Kathy Welfl and City Attorney Jim Ellison. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Gering Citizen, 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 noted 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

Motion by Councilmember Gibbs to excuse the absence of Councilmember Holliday from the January 25, 2016 regular City Council meeting. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

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 January 25, 2016 Regular City Council Meeting
2. Approve the minutes of the January 6, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting
3. Approve Claims
4. Approve Fire Department Roster

Claims:

1-20-16 to 1-29-16

AHLER'S BAKING INC \$27.32 LARM MTG SUPPLIES, AMAZON \$270.88 9 BOOKS, AMERICAN SOC CIVIL ENGINE \$15.95 ASCE BRIDGE CALENDAR, ATLAS LAWN EQUIPMENT CO \$320.52 RPR'S, BENZEL PEST CONTROL \$292.70 PEST CONTROL, BEST BOOKS INC \$113.65 7 BOOKS, BETTER HOMES & GARDENS \$36.28 1 BOOK, BLUFFS SANITARY SUPPLY \$20.23 PUMICE STICK & BOWL SWAB, BROADWAY OFFICE CENTRE \$829.97 3 PRINTER TONER CARTRIDGES, BUDS RADIATOR INC \$931.67 NEW CORE SWEEPER, BUDGET TIRE & SRV \$14.00 TIRE RPR'S, CEN CON LLC \$1,000.00 MAIN RPR, CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS \$96.98 TV/INTERNET CHRGS, DON CHRISTENSEN \$119.00 MEAL EXP: MIDWINTER CONF, CITY INSURANCE FUND \$144,177.35 HEALTH PREM 125, CITY OF GERING \$2,316.74 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET, CITY OF GERING - GENERAL AC \$65,000.00 TRANSFER ACH PAYROLL, CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF \$2,059.40 EMERGENCY MNGMT OCT - DEC, CITY PAYROLL TRUST \$6,629.56 FSA MEDICAL 125, CONOCO \$5.00 FUEL: WALSH - TURFGRASS CONF, CONSUMER REPORTS \$26.00 12 ISSUE MAG SUBSCRIPTION, CONTRACTORS MATERIALS \$11.50 SHOP SUPPLIES, COURTYARD MARRIOTT (-\$37.78) CREDIT REFUND FOR SALES TAX, CREATIVE SIGNS DIVISION/C \$670.00 DECAL REPLACEMENT DODGE CHRGR, CRESCENT ELECTRIC SUPPLY \$307.27 100 CONDUITS/SUPPLIES, CUMMINS CENTRAL POWER \$369.10 CENTRAL PLANT GENERATOR RPR, LANE DANIELZUK \$382.12 FUEL/MEAL EXP: NPZ CONF, DEMCO \$505.78 CATALOGING SUPPLIES, DOLLAR GENERAL STORE #077 \$43.50 ZIP LOCK BAGS FOR EVIDENCE, DUTTON - LAINSON CO \$1,862.23 200 TIES & 42 ARRESTORS, ECOLAB \$88.69 PEST CONTROL, ESC ENGINEERING \$3,646.00 NPPD TRAN LINE, ENERGY LABORATORIES INC \$456.00 WATER LAB, ENVIRO SRV INC \$1,042.00 WW LAB, FASTENAL CO \$200.07 TRAINING SUPPLIES, FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO \$165.30 MOUNT & DISMOUNT 4 TIRES, FEDEX \$76.77 SHIPPING & HANDLING FEES, FIRST STATE BANK \$366.82 IBEW UNION DUES, FLOYD'S SALES & SRV \$6,076.15 RPR'S TO G6, FOLEY - BELSAW CO \$135.30 2 GRINDING STONES, FORT DEARBORN LIFE INC \$120.40 FIREFIGHTER LIFE INSURANCE, FRERKING CUSTOM WORKS \$143.95 CUSTOM WORK ON AR-15, GALE \$101.21 4 BOOKS, GERING HIGH SCHOOL \$6,857.10 KENO FUNDS: DANCE TEAM, GERING VALLEY PLUMBING \$148.00 RPR'S TO SINKS, GERING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT \$406.93 TRVL EXP: NAB - \$219 CLASS, GREASE N GO \$60.44 OIL CHANGE FOR PICKUP, HEILBRUN \$1,161.72 RPR'S, HILTON (-\$212.87) CREDIT REFUND FOR SALES TAX, HONEY - WAGON EXPRESS \$140.00 CLEAN GREASE TRAPS, IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY INC \$435.88 MAINT SUPPLIES, INGRAM LIBRARY SRV \$82.96 4 BOOKS, INLAND TRUCK PARTS CO \$97.89 1 ENGINE HEATER, INTERNAL REVENUE SRV \$36,672.06 FED/FICA TAX, JOHNSON CASHWAY CO \$320.78 SUPPLIES, KNEB \$365.50 RADIO ADVERTISING, KOIS

BROTHERS EQUIPMENT \$488.17 1 ROLL RITE TARP, KOVARIK, ELLISON, MATHIS \$9,935.97 EEOC RESEARCH, KRIZ DAVIS CO \$745.83 4 POLE COVERS, LEAGUE ASSOC/RISK MANAGEMENT \$158.01 GRN HOUSE ENDORSEMENT CHANGES, LEAGUE OF NE MUNICIPALITIES \$1,438.00 MIDWINTER CONF REG: ONEAL, MEAT SHOPPE \$21,594.42 CATERING COSTS, MIZUNO USA INC \$10.13 GOLF CLUB RPR SHIPPING FEE, MOTOR FUELS DIVISION \$6,755.00 FUEL TAX, MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY \$453,762.92 POWER BILL, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOC \$39.00 12 ISSUE MAG SUBSCRIPTION, NE CHILD SUPPORT PYMT \$827.56 CHILD SUPPORT 1, NDOR - LODGING \$420.18 LODGING TAXES - DECEMBER, NE SAFETY/FIRE EQUIPMENT \$84.00 FIRE EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION, NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN \$7,562.48 ICE SLICER, NEBRASKALAND TIRE \$88.50 FLAT RPR, NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS \$110.00 SUPPLIES, PIZZA HUT \$152.50 SHOP W/A COP VOLUNTEERS LUNCH, POWERPLAN OIB \$88.28 RPR LOADER BUCKET, RWPC MULTISPECIALTY \$318.00 PRE NLETC PHYSICAL EXAM, RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS \$37.56 SHOP SUPPLIES, ROBINSON ELECTRIC \$94.85 TROUBLESHOOT SCALE LIGHT, ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL T \$900.00 TURF CONF REG, ROLLING STONE \$34.95 26 ISSUES, SCI DISTRIBUTION LLC \$1,650.00 SOFTWARE UPDATE/SUPPORT, SANDBERG IMPLEMENT INC \$4,496.72 4 SKID STEER TIRES, SARCHET ENTERPRISES \$225.00 BRWNSFLDS CONSULTING, SCOTTS BLUFF CO CONSOLID \$52,175.00 15 - 16 INTERLOCAL AGRMT, SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY COURT \$51.00 COURT FEES, SCOTTSBLUFF - GERING UNITED \$71.54 UNITED WAY CTRB, SCOTTSBLUFF TOWING SRV \$585.00 PD TOWING FEES 13 CHEVY CRUZ, SEARS COMMERCIAL ONE \$43.19 SHOP TOOL, SIMON CONTRACTORS \$339.00 CONCRETE FOR 15TH & Q ST, SLAFTER OIL CO \$305.73 4 GALLONS OF HYD OIL, DAN SMITH \$520.38 FUEL & MEAL EXP: MIDWINTER CONF, SNELL SRV INC \$592.75 RPR'S, SOLUTIONS EAP \$244.55 COUNSELING SRV, SOURCE GAS \$1,497.28 UTILITIES - 1035 M ST: FIREHALL, STAPLES CREDIT PLAN \$29.99 COMPUTER EQUIP FOR ALICE TRNG, STAR HERALD \$145.60 NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTION, UPRR - COLLECTION \$2,294.73 LEASE PUBLIC RDWY 2016, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA \$240.00 PESTICIDE LIC: BUHR & STAMAN, VALLEY BANK & TRUST CO \$7,413.07 HSA CTRB 125, WALMART COMM \$113.37 SUPPLIES, WAREHOUSE FITNESS CENTER \$38.00 WELLNESS, WESTCO \$2,476.03 1500 GALLONS OF DIESEL, WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULT \$228.80 DRUG/ALCOHOL SCREENINGS, WESTERN PLAINS BUSINESS \$77.26 COPIER MAINT, WINCHELL CLEANING SRV \$610.00 CLEANING SRV, YMCA \$665.60 WELLNESS, MENARDS \$111.02 SHOP SUPPLIES, UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD \$505.00 APP REVIEW FOR EL UNDER TRACKS, GERING CITIZEN \$550.63 CONDENSED MINUTES, IRBY TOOL & SAFETY \$451.22 2 TRANSFORMER PADS, INTRALINKS TECHNICAL SOL \$237.59 COMPUTER SUPPORT, C & M AIR COOLED ENGINE \$1,205.27 RPR'S, CENTURYLINK \$2,690.12 MONTHLY TELEPHONE ALLOCATION, VERIZON WIRELESS \$120.03 3 AIR CARDS FOR PORT CAMERAS, NDOR - LOTTERY \$7,440.95 LOTTERY TAXES OCTOBER - DECEMBER 15, NE DEPARTMENT OF REV (PR) \$11,445.23 STATE TAXES, JOHN HANCOCK USA \$13,924.64 JH RETIRE 6%, MG TRUST CO LLC \$5,975.43 MT T- POLICE, ICMA ELECTRONIC RETIREMENT \$546.42 ICMA CITY ADMIN, NE PUBLIC POWER DIST \$1,578.90 UTILITIES - PHEASANT DRIVE, NEFSMA \$100.00 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - LANE, ACP DIRECT \$243.65 18 HEADPHONES & 8 CABLES, ATV WORKS \$796.89 RPR'S, OCLC INC \$138.65 ILL & CAT SUBSCRIPTIONS, CREDIT MANAGEMENT SRV \$171.95 GARNISHMENT 2, CROWNE PLAZA \$357.00 LODGING: WALSH - TURFGRASS CONF, VISTA PRINT \$24.19 BUSINESS CARDS FOR GEORGE, MATHESON TRI - GAS INC \$52.81 8 SAFETY GLASSES, SUGAR VALLEY FEDERAL CREDIT \$1,268.08 CREDIT UNION, GREATAMERICA LEASING CORP \$178.49 COPIER LEASE PYMT, MONEY WISE OFFICE SUPPLY \$245.24 8 CALENDARS & 1 GLUE STICK, DOOLEY OIL INC \$136.00 OIL FOR BALER, KATHLEEN A LAUGHLIN \$165.00 GARNISHMENT 2, BRUNTZ BRENDA \$770.46 FUEL/MEAL EXP: NPZA CONF, DHHS ONLINE LICENSING \$460.00 WA OP LIC GRADE VI - BUHR, THE ROCK PILE \$231.39 SEWERLINE RPR, LOGOZ LLC \$120.00 7 NAME TAGS & 2 PLAQUES, FRESH FOODS \$87.98 SUPPLIES FOR SANI MEETING, GAME & FISH \$18.00 12 ISSUE MAG SUBSCRIPTION, SHELL \$66.00 FUEL TO PICK UP DUMPSTERS, VALLEY BANK - POLICE \$300.00 PO UNION DUES, US AUTO FORCE \$51.86 2 TIRES, GREGORY'S LOCK SHOP LLC \$660.50 DOOR LOCK RPR/REPLACEMENT, FIREHOUSE TROPHIES AND GI \$185.00 FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR AWARD, SYSCO DENVER INC \$6,120.46 837 CUPS & 1 CS OF SOAP, CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT \$44.34 2 BOOKS, THE WEEK \$55.59 51 ISSUE MAG SUBSCRIPTION, YOUNG MENS CHRISTIAN \$10.00 YOUNG MEN'S CHR, NATIONAL INSURANCE SRV \$1,083.88 VISION INSURANCE, J-14 TEEN MAGAZINE \$16.97 10 ISSUE MAG SUBSCRIPTION, STATE OF NE DEPT OF HHS \$63.10 OVERPAID FINAL 3-1890-57, DITCH WITCH UNDERCON \$1,916.18 RPR'S, NEOFUNDS BY NEOPOST \$800.00 POSTAGE, DAVIS MIKE \$31.00 CDL REIMBURSEMENT, PT HOSE & BEARING \$47.83 RPR'S, FAMILY DOLLAR \$20.50 INVESTIGATIVE SUPPLIES, ACUSHNET CO \$85.90 1 PR OF GOLF SHOES, HOBBY LOBBY \$52.86 CRAFT SUPPLIES, DIRECTPARTS \$859.74 RPR'S, COOLEY TAMMY \$542.38 FUEL/MEAL EXP: MIDWINTER CONF, GIBBS LAWRENCE \$46.98 FUEL EXP: WNEC MTG IN KIMBALL, EXPRESS COLLECTIONS INC \$195.74 GARNISHMENT 2, BKD RENTALS LLC \$4,308.40 RENT SUBSIDY - JANUARY, HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS - WY \$384.48 LODGING: JACKSON AR - 15 TRAINING, 24/7 FITNESS \$60.00 24/7 WELLNESS, DUNHAMN'S SPORTS \$28.78 EQUIPMENT FOR ALICE TRIANING, MONROE TRUCK EQUIPMENT \$110.88 LADDER FOR TRUCK, O'NEAL PAM \$119.00 MEAL EXP: MIDWINTER CONF, PIPER PATRICK \$20.00 COURT FEES, C & C AUTO ELECTRIC \$92.96 STARTER RPR'S, COOK'S COUNTRY \$14.95 MAG SUBSCRIPTION, HANSON AMANDA \$75.00 RV ROOM DEPOSIT REFUND, TARIN PAMELA \$75.00 RV ROOM DEPOSIT REFUND, PAYROLL CHECKS \$104,459.77 PAYROLL CHECKS ON 1-22-16

Motion by Councilmember Christensen to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Councilmember Holliday. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

BIDS:

1. Bid for GPS System for the Compactor - Landfill Department

Darrell Vance, Director of Environmental Services, stated that he'd like to add the GPS system for the compactor that was previously approved. He didn't put it in the first time because he didn't know where the bids would come in. He'd like to put it on the compactor because it will let them know how many times they need to run over the garbage so we're not wasting fuel packing it more than we need to; it'll give us a reading every month on where our air space is at; it will let us stop within three feet on our final grades, etc. He has \$103,300 left from what he had budgeted; the GPS System will run about \$80,000. They will have all the coordinates in it when it gets here so we'll be ready to go.

Mayor Kaufman clarified that the joint funds with Scottsbluff aren't helping to pay for this. Mr. Vance added that there will be a demonstration in March by Caterpillar for the shredder; he'll let everybody know. Councilmember Morrison asked if anyone else makes the same GPS system that goes on the compactor. Mr. Vance replied that yes there are, but he has talked to five or six other landfills and they are recommending this one because it is made strictly for landfills; they program it for our landfill. There will be a small fee after three years to keep the GPS going. Councilmember Holliday asked if it's an upfront purchase or a lease program. Mr. Vance replied that it's an upfront purchase and it will be on that machine.

Motion by Councilmember Gibbs to approve a Geological Orion Landfill GPS System for the Compactor at the Landfill for \$80,000. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

2. Engine Driven Snow Blower Sno-Go MP 3D – City Street Department

Casey Dahlgrin, Street Superintendent, stated that he put in the budget for a snow blower, for a loader that attaches right on the front. Normally we use state bids for Nebraska, but we're a member of the Minnesota State bid also. Nebraska doesn't have snow blowers on their state bid; staff pulled off the Minnesota State bid for a snow blower. We then went to our local dealers; the one we want to award is a local dealer. Their parent company actually has the Minnesota state bid but they gave us a better price and that would be Nebraska Environmental Products for \$139,330. We have \$120,000 budgeted, and we'll take \$19,330 out of reserves.

Councilmember Christensen asked if this will improve their snow removal. Mr. Dahlgrin said definitely. We need something bigger; the ice chunks we got into last time kept popping the chains; it's time for an actual snow blower. Councilmember Morrison asked if this piece of equipment is new. Mr. Dahlgrin said yes. Councilmember Holliday asked about the life expectancy of this equipment. Mr. Dahlgrin replied he's hoping we never have to buy another one. It has a Cummins motor, a tier three motor; this is the same brand that Scottsbluff uses.

Motion by Councilmember Cowan to approve the staff recommendation for a 2015 Sno-Go MP-3D Snow Blower from Nebraska Environmental Products for \$139,330.00. Second by Councilmember Christensen. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

3. 2016 Street Improvements – Mark Drive, 17th Street, and Country Club Road

Casey Dahlgrin said we took bids for these projects. We want to award Mark Drive to Infinity Construction for \$198,760; 17th Street to Concrete Cattle Company for \$110,269; and Country Club Road to Infinity Construction for \$373,472. Paul Reed bid Country Club but their start date wasn't until April of 2017 so we denied their bid. Councilmember Morrison asked who Concrete Cattle Company is. Mr. Dahlgrin said they are the ones that did the concrete on the power line project; they do more buildings but we were satisfied with their work.

Motion by Councilmember Gibbs to approve the staff recommendation for Street Improvements which include \$198,760.00 for Mark Drive to Infinity Construction using 6" thick concrete; \$110,269.00 for 17th Street to Concrete Cattle Company, and \$373,472.00 for Country Club Road to Infinity Construction. Second by Councilmember Christensen. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Consider moving the second meeting in February to the 29th instead of the 22nd due to Council Members attending the League Conference

Mayor Kaufman stated that due to a number of Council Members attending the League Conference at the same time as the fourth Monday meeting, and a conflict he has on that same date, he and staff are suggesting that we move the second meeting in February to the fifth Monday of the month which is February 29.

Motion by Councilmember Morrison to approve moving the second meeting in February to the 29th. Second by Councilmember Cowan. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

2. Approve appointment of Jason Parks to the Board of Adjustment

Motion by Councilmember Gibbs to approve the appointment of Jason Parks to the Board of Adjustment. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

3. Approve Ordinance 2019 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA, PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. (This article shall be known as airport zoning regulations. These regulations are intended to provide for the safe operation of aircraft into and out of Western Nebraska Regional Airport, William G. Heilig Field).

Councilmember Allred made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2019 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF GERING, NEBRASKA, PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. Seconded by Councilmember O'Neal. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

Councilmember Morrison moved that the Ordinance be designated as Ordinance No. 2019 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 Cowan. There was no discussion. The Clerk called the role. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. 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. 2019 was read by title only, Councilmember Smith moved that the Ordinance be passed as read, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Christensen. "The question is shall Ordinance No. 2019 be passed?" There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. 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. Approve Ordinance 2020 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GERING TO AMEND THE ZONING ON ALL PROPERTIES ALONG THE 10TH STREET CORRIDOR FROM UPRR NORTH TO COUNTRY CLUB ROAD AND FROM UPRR EAST TO 7TH STREET BY ADDING A HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (BHC) ZONING OVERLAY ON THE EXISTING HEAVY INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING DISTRICT (MH), LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING DISTRICT (ML), AND RURAL RESIDENTIAL ESTATE DISTRICT (RRE), SITUATED IN A PORTION OF THE EAST

HALF OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 22 NORTH, RANGE 55 WEST OF THE 6TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF GERING, SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY, NEBRASKA AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Councilmember Smith made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 2020 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GERING TO AMEND THE ZONING ON ALL PROPERTIES ALONG THE 10TH STREET CORRIDOR FROM UPRR NORTH TO COUNTRY CLUB ROAD AND FROM UPRR EAST TO 7TH STREET BY ADDING A HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (BHC) ZONING OVERLAY ON THE EXISTING HEAVY INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING DISTRICT (MH), LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING DISTRICT (ML), AND RURAL RESIDENTIAL ESTATE DISTRICT (RRE), SITUATED IN A PORTION OF THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 22 NORTH, RANGE 55 WEST OF THE 6TH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF GERING, SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY, NEBRASKA AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. Seconded by Councilmember Christensen. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

Councilmember Gibbs moved that the Ordinance be designated as Ordinance No. 2020 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 Holliday. There was no discussion. The Clerk called the role. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. 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. 2020 was read by title only, Councilmember Allred moved that the Ordinance be passed as read, which motion was seconded by Councilmember O'Neal. "The question is shall Ordinance No. 2020 be passed?" There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. 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.

5. Consider approving recommendation from the Recreation Committee regarding Rates and Guidelines at the Robidoux RV Park

Mayor Kaufman stated that the Recreation Committee met last week. Ron Ernst, Parks & Recreation Director, reviewed a rate increase proposal and guidelines for the RV Park with the Committee. Councilmember Allred pointed out that they're suggesting a monthly rate which we haven't done before which will please the some of the regular campers out there and make it easier to collect rather than weekly.

Motion by Councilmember Gibbs to approve the recommendation from the Recreation Committee regarding Rates and Guidelines at the Robidoux RV Park. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

6. Request for Administrative Committee meeting – Agenda item: 1% Sales Tax

Mayor Kaufman stated that it was mentioned during the meeting of the Whole Committee on January 6 that the 1% Sales Tax will expire this year. This is a very important tax to the City because it provides tax relief and additional funding for tourism as well as downtown revitalization. To get the ball rolling we'd like to have the Administrative Committee meet on February 11 to discuss this matter and make a recommendation that will be presented to the full Council at a February 18 Special Meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Morrison to approve a request for an Administrative Committee meeting – Agenda item: 1% Sales Tax . Second by Councilmember Christensen. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

7. Annual Clerk's Report

City Clerk Welfl stated that there are two corrections to the report, one being that Mayor Kaufman attended the December 2014 meeting as the Mayor which was not reflected in the report and that the total amount of construction value in 2015 was \$5,816,629.57 which was down from 2014; we were also lower in the total number of permits that were issued.

Motion by Councilmember Gibbs to enter the Annual Clerk's Report into the public record. Second by Councilmember O'Neal. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

(Council reserves the right to enter into closed session if deemed necessary.)

REPORTS: (None)

OPEN COMMENT SECTION:

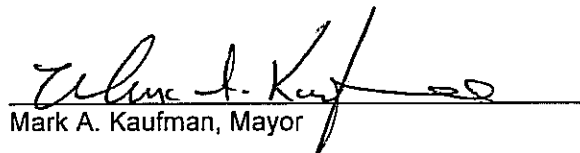
Discussion or action by Council regarding unscheduled business will not take place. This section is for citizen comment only.

Robert Prestor commented that he gets comments almost every day about the greenhouse. He has discussed this with Lane and Larry and a few other people. He thinks we need to move on this thing. He knows at least three people, maybe four, who are willing to volunteer. There are questions about repair work. He talked to Mr. Ernst and he understands that there aren't funds for this but there are grants that might be available. HE added that it really needs to be done; there is a lot of community support to have the greenhouse up and running.


ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Christensen, second by Councilmember O'Neal. There was no discussion. The Mayor called the vote. "AYES": Smith, Christensen, Gibbs, Holliday, Allred, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.


Mark A. Kaufman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kathleen J. Welfl, City Clerk

