

## **THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GERING CITY COUNCIL, JULY 14, 2025.**

A regular meeting of the City Council of Gering, Nebraska was held in open session on July 14, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Gering City Hall, 1025 P Street, Gering, NE. Present were Mayor Ewing and Councilmembers Shields, Gillen, Frye, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Jackson. Also present were City Administrator Pat Heath, City Clerk Kathy Welfl, and City Attorney Jim Ellison. 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 Ewing called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated that a quorum of the Council was present 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 Ewing 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 the Council determines that the matter requires emergency action.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

(Items under the Consent Agenda are proposed for adoption by one action for all items unless any member of Council requests that an item be considered separately.)

1. Approve minutes of the June 23, 2025 regular City Council Meeting
2. Approve Claims
3. Approve the May, 2025 Financial Statement

### **Claims 6/24/25 thru 7/14/25**

24/7 FITNESS \$233.00, 308 PLUMBING SOLUTIONS \$225.00, ACE HARDWARE \$2,131.88, ACUSHNET COMPANY \$413.57, ADIDAS AMERICA, INC \$1,261.50, ADVANCED SERVICES, INC. \$635.25, AFLAC \$1,391.56, ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$3,504.99, ALLRED BROTHERS FIREWORKS \$7,500.00, ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. \$7,401.89, AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$445.21, AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION \$190.00, AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP. \$1,200.88, APPLIED CONCEPTS, INC. \$4,962.00, AT&T MOBILITY \$293.06, AULICK INDUSTRIES \$399.80, B & C STEEL \$3,578.00, B & H INVESTMENTS, INC \$116.60, BAD BIRDIE GOLF \$588.30, BEELINE SERVICE NC \$435.00, BENZEL PEST CONTROL \$56.71, BLACK HILLS ENERGY \$865.58, BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS \$1,722.36, BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC \$1,909.48, BROWN'S SHOE FIT COMPANY \$103.98, BUSHNELL OUTDOOR PRODUCTS \$353.10, C & C MANUFACTURING LLC \$242.65, CAMPSPOUT \$964.79, CATTLE BANK & TRUST \$44,213.79, CITY OF GERING \$22,862.25, CLINTON RATLIFF \$33.00, COLUMN SOFTWARE, PBC \$418.40, CONNECTING POINT \$28.03, CONTRACTORS MATERIALS, INC. \$72.50, CORE & MAIN LP \$556.71, CROELL, INC \$953.75, DEARBORN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY \$113.52, DIRT STIX NURSERY \$675.51, DOOLEY OIL \$175.50, DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$5,682.37, EJS SUPPLY, LLC \$26,404.00, ELITE TOTAL FITNESS \$165.00, FASTENAL COMPANY \$1,070.06, FAT BOYS TIRE & AUTO \$625.21, FEDEX \$167.40, FELSBURG HOLT & ULLEVIG INC \$2,831.25, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA \$20,419.86, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OMAHA - POLICE \$1,168.00, FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER, INC. \$109.50, FRANK PARTS COMPANY \$828.60, GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY \$56.98, GENERAL TRAFFIC CONTROLS, INC. \$5,850.00, GOLF & SPORT SOLUTIONS \$2,073.32, GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICE \$100.00, GREGORY'S LOCK SHOP LLC \$279.51, GREY HOUSE PUBLISHING \$242.00, GROUND UP CONSTRUCTION & CLEAN \$804.00, HAWKINS, INC. \$1,723.64, HEALTHBREAK, INC. \$659.00, HENNING BROTHERS \$166.00, HIGH PLAINS AUTO CLUB \$3,500.00, HIGH PLAINS SCUBA CENTER \$36.12, IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, INC. \$769.98, INDOFF INCORPORATED \$128.08, INFINITY CONSTRUCTION INC. \$6,775.00, INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES \$1,486.34, INTEGRATED LIFE CHOICES \$11.07, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$123,749.22, INTRALINKS, INC. \$26,721.14, IRBY TOOL & SAFETY \$1,475.45, J & A TRAFFIC PRODUCTS \$1,140.00, J RODZ \$350.00, JEO CONSULTING GROUP \$20,914.00, JIRDON AGRI CHEMICALS, INC \$13,528.43, JOHN HANCOCK USA \$35,080.14, JOHN HANCOCK USA FIRE \$1,747.12, JOHN HANCOCK USA POLICE \$19,594.62, JOHNSON CASHWAY CO. \$77.27, KLAAS STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING, LLC \$450.00, LEGACY COOPERATIVE \$4,134.00, LONDON FLATS, LLC \$792.74, MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, LLC \$102.55, MANUEL BARRAZA \$14,085.00, MARKETING CONSULTANTS \$71.20, MATHESON TRI-GAS INC \$242.38, MATTY B'S HVAC \$392.43, MB KEM ENTERPRISE \$1,393.00, MENARDS \$150.73, MIDWEST CONNECT \$3,675.23, MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF NE

\$303,176.93, MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. OF NE. \$1,251.93, MUTUAL OF OMAHA \$5,176.10, NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTE \$1,429.86, NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR \$9.57, NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REV (PR) \$17,862.20, NEBRASKA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION \$100.00, NEBRASKA GOLF ASSOCIATION \$310.00, NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT \$150.00, NEBRASKA POWER REVIEW BOARD \$1,216.96, NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRO LAB \$18.00, NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER \$1,110.00, NKC TIRE \$929.71, NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC \$1,111.53, OCLC, INC. \$2,290.61, ODEYS \$1,016.00, OREGON TRAIL DAYS ASSOC. \$400.00, O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE STORE \$184.82, PANHANDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE, INC. \$2,190.00, PAUL REED \$3,597.78, PEACEFUL PRAIRIE NURSERY, INC. \$381.99, PETE'S QUICK LUBE \$68.93, PIPE WORKS PLUMBING LLC \$6,800.00, PLATTE RIVER GLASS \$190.00, PRECISION AIR \$5,357.04, PT HOSE AND BEARING \$467.54, QUADIENT LEASING USA \$840.00, RED BARN SHOP, LLC \$1,257.39, REGIONAL CARE INC. \$93,779.11, RESCO \$334,414.23, RICH'S WRECKING & USED CARS, I \$525.00, RIVERSIDE DISCOVERY CENTER \$8,333.34, RIVERSTONE BANK \$1,150.45, ROBYN BURGMAN \$250.00, RON STODDARD \$75.00, RPM FITNESS \$70.00, SANDBERG IMPLEMENT, INC. \$6,163.95, SAPP BROS \$710.10, SCOTTSBLUFF-GERING UNITED WAY \$546.04, SHERWIN WILLIAMS \$4,094.92, SIMON CONTRACTORS \$11,165.19, TAYLOR MADE GOLF COMPANY \$159.74, TEAM CHEVROLET \$600.00, TERESA TOSH \$20,543.26, THE YOGA COLLECTIVE \$65.00, TREE MONKEYS LLC \$3,000.00, TWIN CITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOC \$12,500.00, TYNDALE \$716.81, UTILITLY BILL REFUNDS \$1,273.74, VALLEY AUTO LOCATORS LLC \$1,474.42, VERIZON WIRELESS SERVICES, LLC \$333.14, WESCO RECEIVABLES CORP. \$3,942.83, WESTERN COOPERATIVE COMPANY \$10,334.12, WESTERN NEBRASKA PIONEERS BASEBALL CLUB \$7,200.00, WESTERN NEBRASKA TOURISM COALI \$250.00, WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS \$142.00, WHITING SIGNS, LLC \$750.00, WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY \$83.68, YMCA OF SCOTTSBLUFF \$829.00, TOTAL \$1,351,598.00

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Councilmember Frye. There was no discussion. Mayor Ewing called for the vote. "AYES": Shields, Gillen, Frye, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Jackson. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS:**

##### **1. Approve appointment of Councilmember Frye as a Liaison to the Gering Library Board**

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to approve the appointment Councilmember Frye as a Liaison to the Gering Library Board. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. Mayor Ewing called for the vote. "AYES": Shields, Gillen, Frye, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Jackson. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

##### **2. Approve appointment of Councilmember Shields as Liaison to the Gering Merchants Association**

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to approve the appointment Councilmember Shields as a Liaison to the Gering Merchants Association. Second by Councilmember Wiedeman. There was no discussion. Mayor Ewing called for the vote. "AYES": Shields, Gillen, Frye, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Jackson. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

##### **3. Request for Recreation, Amusement and Leisure Services Committee meeting with agenda item: 1. Discussion of future Gering Public Library improvements and review of conceptual plan**

**Motion by Councilmember Wiedeman to approve a request for a Recreation, Amusement and Leisure Services Committee meeting with agenda item: 1. Discussion of future Gering Public Library improvements and review of conceptual plan. Second by Councilmember O'Neal. There was no discussion. Mayor Ewing called for the vote. "AYES": Shields, Gillen, Frye, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Jackson. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

**CLOSED SESSION:** (Council reserves the right to enter into closed session if deemed necessary.) None.

**OPEN COMMENT:** Discussion or action by Council regarding unscheduled business will not take place. This section is for citizen comment only. None.


**ADJOURN:**

**Motion by Councilmember Gillen to adjourn. Second by Councilmember O'Neal. There was no discussion. Mayor Ewing called for the vote. "AYES": Shields, Gillen, Frye, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Jackson. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

  
Kent E. Ewing, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Kathleen J. Welf, City Clerk



