

THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GERING CITY COUNCIL, April 11, 2022

A regular meeting of the City Council of Gering, Nebraska was held in open session on April 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Gering City Hall, 1025 P Street, Gering, NE. Present were Councilmembers Gillen, Backus, Bohl, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. Also present were City Administrator Pat Heath, City Clerk Kathy Welfl and City Attorney Matt Turman. Absent were Mayor Kaufman and Councilmember Smith. 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

Council President Gillen 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. (There were no absences to be excused from the last meeting).

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

Council President Gillen 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 Council President. 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:

1. Approve minutes of the March 28, 2022 regular City Council meeting
2. Approve Claims

Claims 3-29-22 to 4-11-22

21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT \$80.04; ACCENT WIRE PRODUCTS \$13,922.71; ACE HARDWARE \$756.55; ACTION COMMUNICATIONS, INC. \$866.26; ACUSHNET COMPANY \$3,807.07; ALLEN CLAUSE \$149.99; ALLO COMMUNICATIONS \$5,953.00; AL'S TOWING, INC \$150.00; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$33.98; AUTO ZONE 1657 \$18.88; B & H INVESTMENTS, INC \$79.50; BAAS 24 HOUR TOWING, LLC \$250.00; BAIRD HOLM LLP \$216.00; BENZEL PEST CONTROL \$206.71; BH MEDIA GROUP HOLDING, INC. \$500.33; BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS \$688.43; BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC \$310.52; C & C MANUFACTURING LLC \$484.62; CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY \$2,482.52; CENGAGE LEARNING/GAGE \$22.39; CITY DIRECTORIES \$320.00; CITY OF GERING \$200.00; CITY PAYROLL TRUST \$2,546.77; CLARK PRINTING LLC \$113.05; CNA SURETY DIRECT BILL \$175.00; CONNECTING POINT \$76.96; DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRAL \$98.88; DE NORA WATER \$2,443.61; DEMCO, INC \$380.35; DOOLEY OIL \$76.49; DUSTIN KINNAN \$31.00; DUTTON-LAINSON COMPANY \$7,805.13; DYKES OIL INC. \$38.45; EAKES INC \$7,584.32; ECOLAB \$181.82; ELLIOTT FRIESEN \$241.00; ENERGY LABORATORIES INC. \$432.00; FAIRFIELD INN \$439.80; FASTENAL COMPANY \$237.23; FIRST STATE BANK \$509.84; FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER, INC. \$2,147.06; FOX VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE \$195.00; FRANK PARTS COMPANY \$844.43; FRASER STRYKER PC LLO \$3,526.00; FREMONT MOTOR SCOTTSBLUFF, LLC \$199.00; FRESH FOODS INC. \$10.68; GALLS, AN ARAMARK COMPANY \$169.11; GERING VALLEY PLUMBING & HTG. \$15,250.00; GROUND UP CONSTRUCTION & CLEAN \$678.50; HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS \$33.98; HENSLEY BATTERY, LLC \$(9.00); IDEAL LAUNDRY AND CLEANERS, IN \$296.91; INDOFF INCORPORATED \$167.65; INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES \$578.79; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$42,670.68; INTRALINKS, INC. \$7,976.40; J & A TRAFFIC PRODUCTS \$2,366.65; JANA L. BODE \$5,110.00; JEFF SELDEN \$1,923.74; JL BECKER INC \$1,265.00; JOHN HANCOCK USA \$14,912.85; JOHN HANCOCK USA FIRE \$597.33; JOHN HANCOCK USA POLICE \$5,995.76; JOHNSON CASHWAY CO. \$64.43; JONES & BARTLETT LEARNING \$3,296.76; JUSTIN BERNHARDT \$250.00; KALEB SHAW \$241.00; KAREN SUE BRUNTZ \$450.00; KENNETH LEROY DODGE \$96.00; KEVIN LEHR \$950.00; KIRSTYN COWEN \$75.00; LEAGUE ASSOC./RISK MANAGEMENT \$2,815.27; LIGHTHOUSE ELECTRICAL \$292.29; LOGOZ LLC \$170.00; LUCKY KENO \$100.00; MATHESON TRI-GAS INC \$93.06; MEAT SHOPPE \$18,870.00; MENARDS \$1,030.88; MIKE DAVIES \$31.00; MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY \$30.00; MOTOR CONTOLS INC \$650.00; MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF NE \$175.00; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY, INC. OF NE. \$845.20; NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTE \$462.93; NE STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER \$690.00; NEB DEPT OF ENVIRONMENT AND EN \$8,184.07; NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL POWER POOL \$7,084.96; NEBRASKA RURAL WATER ASSOC. \$790.00; NEBRASKA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION \$100.00; NEWSBANK, INC \$1,190.00; NKC TIRE \$551.00; NMC EXCHANGE LLC \$102.64; NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS, INC \$122.37; OCLC, INC. \$163.87; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC \$74.80; PANHANDLE COOP ASSOCIATION \$1,258.28; PANHANDLE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVIC \$1,496.00; PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP FOR \$100.00; PATTLEN ENTERPRISES, INC \$681.13; PAYROLL \$129,239.80; POWERPLAN OIB \$6,715.49; QUADIENT LEASING USA, INC \$800.00; RED BARN SHOP, LLC \$296.02; RIVERSIDE DISCOVERY CENTER \$12,500.00; RON'S TOWING & RECOVERY, LLC \$125.00; SANDBERG IMPLEMENT, INC. \$151.34; SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY \$25.07; SCB CO PUBLIC TRANSIT \$5,000.00; SCOTTSBLUFF-GERING UNITED WAY \$141.75; SHAWNA WINCHELL \$1,380.00; SIRCHIE ACQUISITION CO., LLC \$589.12; SOUTHWESTERN EQUIPMENT COMPANY \$859.20; SPECTRUM \$832.19; STAPLES CREDIT PLAN \$179.42; STEVE MOUNT \$150.00; SUGAR VALLEY FEDERAL CREDIT \$528.37; SUNBELT SOLOMON \$674.10; TAYLOR MADE GOLF COMPANY \$842.56; THE CIT GROUP \$1,877.53; TOUR EDGE MFG INC \$2,265.00; TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIV \$75.00; TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY \$6,696.00; TWIN CITY AUTO, INC \$47.00; TWIN CITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOC \$12,500.00; TYLER TECHNOLOGIES \$76,667.30; UNANIMOUS, INC. \$305.00; UNITED CHAMBER OF COMMERCE \$375.00; UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOC, INC. \$150.00; VALLEY AUTO LOCATORS LLC \$202.93; VERIZON WIRELESS SERVICES, LLC

\$1,229.79; WESTERN COOPERATIVE COMPANY \$6,217.53; WESTERN STATES BANK \$28,804.88; WESTERN STATES BANK - POLICE \$516.00; WYOMING BEARING & SUPPLY \$346.03; WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY \$47.15; YANT EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC. \$710.00

Motion by Councilmember Wiedeman to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Councilmember Bohl. There was no discussion. Council President Gillen called the vote. "AYES": Gillen, Backus, Bohl, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Smith. Motion carried.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Approve appointment of Steven Alvizar to the Planning Commission

Motion by Councilmember Wiedeman to approve the appointment of Steven Alvizar to the Planning Commission. Second by Councilmember Cowan. There was no discussion. Council President Gillen called the vote. "AYES": Gillen, Backus, Bohl, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Smith. Motion carried.

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

REPORTS:

1. PADD Liaison Report – Administrator Heath

Administrator Heath stated that PADD (Panhandle Area Development District) has been a little short on employees; they're trying to rebuild their staff. They have been working on closing out the Community Development Block Grant for Prime Metal Products. They've also been working on a partnership with the Nebraska Regional Officials Council. PADD has organized and hosted state-wide conferences bridging Nebraska's digital divide, which focused on the next steps for counties and communities on the expansion of broadband in rural areas of the state. PADD continues to administer the assessments for the Phase I and Phase II of the Kelley Bean and Westco properties. They have hired one staff for the position of Grant Writer Manager and are still seeking qualified candidates for their open planning position. They've also been busy with grant administration for public works projects, owner-occupied rehab projects and planning projects.

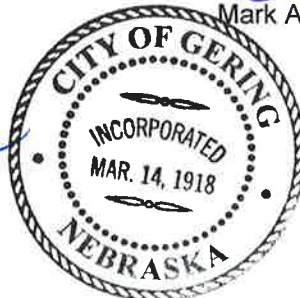
ADJOURN:

Motion by Councilmember Cowan to adjourn. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. Council President Gillen called the vote. "AYES": Gillen, Backus, Bohl, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison, Cowan. "NAYS": None. Abstaining: None. Absent: Smith. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kathleen J. Welfl, City Clerk




Mark A. Kaufman, Mayor