

City of Valentine  
Regular Council Meeting  
City Library Meeting Room  
Thursday, October 12, 2023  
6:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Valentine, Nebraska was held October 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Library Meeting Room, the same notice of meeting was given according to law. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the public. A public information council agenda packet was available at the public information table. Notice of the Open Meetings Act was provided as required by law.

Council President Kyle Arganbright opened the meeting with the following Council members in attendance: Ross Brockley, Kalli Kieborz, Neil Wescott, Brad Arnold. Also in attendance were City Manager Shane Siewert and City Clerk Deanna Schmit who recorded the minutes.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion to approve consent agenda items: #2a) Regular Library Board meeting minutes of September 25, 2023; #2b) Regular Cemetery Board meeting minutes of September 7, 2023; #2c) Golf Course Board meeting minutes of September 11 and September 19, 2023; #2d) Planning Commission meeting minutes of October 2, 2023; #3a) Special Budget meeting of September 14, 2023; #3b) Regular meeting of September 14, 2023; #4) August, 2023 Financial Reports; #5) September, 2023 Receipt Report; #6) September, 2023 Claims & Payroll. Councilmember Brockley seconded the motion. Voting yes: Arnold, Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright, Brockley. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held concerning Warren Jackson sewer backup claim. No action taken.

6:05 p.m. Pursuant to notice in the Valentine Midland News, a public hearing was opened for the purpose of hearing comments to the proposed amendments to the zoning map mandated by Section 4.6 of the Valentine Zoning Ordinance, as amended. In accordance with the provisions of Section 19.7 of the Valentine Zoning Ordinance, the Valentine City Council will review to amend the Official Zoning Map as follows:

From Highway Commercial (CI) with mobile home overlay to Limited Industrial (I-1) with mobile home overlay a tract of land located within the following legal description:

LOTS 11, 12, 13, AND 14, EVERGREEN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VALENTINE, CHERRY COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

6:33 p.m. Public Hearing closed.

A presentation from Heartland Energy Staff about the Southwest Power Pool market and how Heartland's contract works on behalf of the City was presented.

No action taken concerning the street superintendent proposal to repave the streets in the southwest part of town with concrete.

Councilmember Arganbright made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between City of Valentine Economic Development, the Valentine Chamber of Commerce, Cherry County Tourism, the Valentine Area Arts Council, the Sandhills Area Foundation and the City of Valentine to establish a Nebraska Arts Council Creative District in Valentine. Voting yes: Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright, Arnold, Brockley. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Kieborz, to deny Ordinance 2023-2079M concerning amendments to the zoning map. Voting yes: Wescott, Arganbright, Arnold, Brockley, Kieborz. Motion carried unanimously.

No action taken concerning CWSRF loan at a rate of 1.3% with 45% forgiveness for the interceptor sewer. The City Manager will continue to pursue this avenue of funding.

Second reading Ordinance No. 2023-2283A AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2023, OF THE CITY OF VALENTINE, NEBRASKA, OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,500,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING WATER IMPROVEMENTS IN WATER EXTENSION DISTRICT NO. 2023-1 AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION DISTRICT NO. 2023-1; DIRECTING THE APPLICATION OF THE PROCEEDS OF SAID BONDS; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME; AUTHORIZING OFFICERS OF THE CITY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SALE OF THE BONDS AND TO DESIGNATE THE FINAL TERMS, RATES AND MATURITY SCHEDULE FOR SAID BONDS WITHIN STATED PARAMETERS; AUTHORIZING OFFICERS OF THE CITY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SALE OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

Second reading Ordinance No. 2023-2283B AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION VARIOUS PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2023, OF THE CITY OF VALENTINE, NEBRASKA, OF THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED SIX MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,500,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING WATER IMPROVEMENTS IN WATER EXTENSION DISTRICT NO. 2023-1 AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION DISTRICT NO. 2023-1; DIRECTING THE APPLICATION OF THE PROCEEDS OF SAID BONDS; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SAID BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME; AUTHORIZING OFFICERS OF THE CITY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SALE OF THE BONDS AND TO DESIGNATE THE FINAL TERMS, RATES AND MATURITY SCHEDULE FOR SAID BONDS WITHIN STATED PARAMETERS; AUTHORIZING OFFICERS OF THE CITY TO MAKE

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SALE OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

Councilmember Arganbright made a motion, seconded by Brockley, to adopt Resolution No. 1012231 providing for authorization to sign the Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance for the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards Voting yes: Arganbright, Arnold, Brockley, Kieborz, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

No action taken concerning Mill Pond dam inspection report with alternative options to address concerns.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to adopt Resolution No. 1012232 A resolution of the City Council of Valentine, Nebraska approving and authorizing the City Manager to pursue a replacement of the current Trustee of the Joseph E. Dowden, Henry Morris Jackson and Queen Moon Jackson Memorial Trust naming Union Bank and Trust as trustee. Voting yes: Arnold, Brockley, Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Brockley made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to approve the Annual renewal of Highway 20 Law Enforcement Interlocal Agreement. Voting yes: Arnold, Arganbright, Wescott, Kieborz, Brockley. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Brockley, to approve the Memorandum Of Understanding Between Fort Niobrara/Valentine National Wildlife Refuge Complex and the Valentine Police Department. Voting yes: Wescott, Brockley, Arganbright, Kieborz, Arnold. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Arganbright made a motion, seconded by Kieborz to adopt Resolution for Disposition of Personal Property consisting of a 1992 Ford Crown Vic LX car and 50 Clubhouse chairs with a \$500.00 minimum bid for the car. Voting yes: Kieborz, Arnold, Wescott, Brockley, Arganbright. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the Agreement for pass through funds between Sandhills Area Foundation and City of Valentine for convention center donations. Voting yes: Arganbright, Kieborz, Arnold, Wescott, Brockley. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business before the council, Council Chairperson Arganbright declared the Valentine City Council meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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President of Council

I, the undersigned City Clerk of Valentine, Nebraska, hereby certify that all of the subjects including the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting; kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were published in the Midland Newspaper; that said minutes were made available on September 15, 2023.

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Deanna Schmit, City Clerk

A complete version of the minutes may be viewed at the office of the City Clerk, 323 N Main Street, Valentine, Nebraska during normal business hours.

Deanna Schmit  
City Clerk