

City of Valentine
Regular Council Meeting
City Library Meeting Room
Monday, December 17, 2007
7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Valentine, Valentine, Nebraska was held November 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Valentine City Library Meeting Room, the same notice of meeting being published in the Valentine Midland News. 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 was given of posting of the open meetings act on the back wall of the meeting room.

The Council and those in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

Chairperson of the Council Kluender presided at the meeting with the following Council members in attendance: Nelsen, Petersen, Wescott, Neujahr. Also in attendance were City Manager Siewert, City Attorney Beel and Deanna Schmit, City Clerk, recorded the minutes.

Councilmember Neujahr made the motion to approve consent agenda items:
#2a. Cemetery meeting minutes of December 3, 2007; #2b. Library Board Meeting minutes of December 11, 2007; #3a. Regular Council meeting minutes of November 19, 2007; #4 October, 2007 Financial Reports; #5 November, 2007 Receipt Report; #6 November, 2007 Claims & Payroll. Councilmember Wescott seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Wescott, Petersen, Nelsen, Kluender, Neujahr. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Burge reporting for the Valentine Cherry County Economic Development Board updated the council on recent activities and programs of the Economic Development Board.

Pursuant to advertisement in Valentine Midland News, a public auction was opened at 7:15 p.m. and held open for 1 hour to receive verbal bids on the following described real estate: LOTS 1 & 8, BLK5, and LOTS 5, BLK 4, CITY THIRD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF VALENTINE

Eric Noteboom presented the council with an overview of recent dividends paid by EMC insurance to many Nebraska entities including the City of Valentine.

Following presentation of some concerns regarding paving district no. 113 by Warren Bertrang, Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Nelsen, to take the information offered by Mr. Bertrang to the city attorney and have it reviewed. Voting aye: Petersen, Nelsen, Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott,. Motion carried unanimously.

Zachary Dean, representing the Jaycees, offered information concerning the possible acquisition of the gym. More information will be gathered for consideration.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Kluender, to accept the cemetery board recommendation to purchase the Ditch Witch excavator/loader. Voting aye: Nelsen, Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Nelsen made a motion, seconded by Petersen, to adopt resolution number 1217071 calling the combined utilities revenue bonds, series 1999 for redemption as part of the financing of the new substation and electrical system upgrades. Voting aye: Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen, Nelsen. Motion carried unanimously.

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Councilmember Nelsen made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to suspend the statutory rule requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 2007-2083M on three different days. Voting aye: Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen, Nelsen, Kluender. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Neujahr made a motion, seconded by Nelsen to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-2083M authorizing the issuance of combined utility system revenue and refunding bonds, series 2008, in the principal amount of two million three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$2,350,000.00) to finance the new substation and electrical system upgrades. Voting aye: Neujahr, Kluender, Nelsen, Petersen, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

The public auction of the city third lots was declared closed by Chairperson Kluender at 8:15 p.m. with no bids received.

Councilmember Nelsen made a motion, seconded by Petersen, to adopt the contract for substation and electrical system upgrades with Kayton Electric. Voting aye: Nelsen, Wescott, Kluender Petersen, Neujahr. Motion carried unanimously.

A decision for possible relocation of new power lines to be built along First Street as part of the new substation project was tabled to the next meeting for more information.

Discussion was held concerning the possible acquisition of power lines from KBR.

Councilmember Nelsen made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to suspend the statutory rule requiring the reading of Ordinance No. 2007-2083CT on three different days. Voting aye: Petersen, Neujahr, Nelsen, Wescott, , Kluender. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Neujahr made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-2083CT confirming the sale of Lot 3, Block 4, City Third Addition to the City of Valentine. Voting aye: Kluender Petersen, Neujahr, Nelsen, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business before the council, Councilmember Nelsen made a motion, seconded by Wescott, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:16 p.m. Voting Aye: Petersen, Neujahr, Nelsen, Wescott, Kluender. Motion carried unanimously.

President of the 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 December 18, 2007.

Deanna Schmit
City Clerk

