

City of Valentine
Regular Council Meeting
City Library Meeting Room
Thursday, January 8, 2009
7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Valentine, Valentine, Nebraska was held January 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Valentine City Library Meeting Room, the same notice of meeting 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.

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

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

7:00 p.m. Pursuant to advertisement in Valentine Midland News, a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining public comment prior to considering Scott Millard's proposed amendment to the general redevelopment plan including certain redevelopment projects, in an area of the City that has previously been declared blighted and substandard and in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Community Development Law was opened.

Councilmember Petersen requested that consent agenda item #2d. Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2009 be pulled for consideration.

Councilmember Neujahr made the motion to approve consent agenda items:

#2a. Regular Cemetery Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2008; #2b. Regular Cemetery Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2008; #2c. Regular Library Board Meeting Minutes of December 22, 2008; #3a. Regular Council meeting minutes of December 11, 2008; #4 November, 2008 Financial Reports; #5 December, 2008 Receipt Report; #6 December, 2008 Claims & Payroll. Councilmember Wescott seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Wescott, Petersen, Kluender, Neujahr. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to approve consent agenda item #2d. Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2009 with a change to reflect the resolution number 0105091 to 0108091. Voting aye: Petersen, Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

Having had no comments from the public, Council Chairperson Kluender declared the public hearing closed at 7:04 p.m.

Mike Burge reported on progress of the Valentine/Cherry County Economic Development Board activities and projects. He informed the board and public of the sales tax money collected and some of the projects that money had been used for, established and future business growth projects and that an income survey would be done in the near future.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Kluender, to adopt Resolution number 0108091, A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Valentine, Nebraska, recommending an amendment to the general redevelopment plan for a redevelopment area, including a redevelopment contract; approving certain redevelopment projects within a redevelopment area; approving a cost benefit analysis for such projects; and approving related matters. Voting aye: Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Kluender, to adopt Resolution number 0108092, A Resolution authorizing the issuance of a tax increment revenue note (Ranchland Foods Project), Series 2009, of the City of Valentine, Nebraska for the purpose of paying certain project costs in connection with a redevelopment project; prescribing the form and details of said note and the covenants and agreements made by the City of Valentine, Nebraska to facilitate and protect the payment thereof; and prescribing other matters related thereto. Voting aye: Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen. Motion carried unanimously.

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Pursuant to advertisement in Valentine Midland News, a public auction was opened at 7:15 p.m for the purpose of accepting verbal bids for lease for grazing of Parcel A for the year 2009.

Pursuant to advertisement in Valentine Midland News, a public auction was opened at 7:15 p.m for the purpose of accepting verbal bids for lease for grazing of Parcel B & C for the year 2009.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to reconsider the previous motion concerning consent agenda item no. 2d.(Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of January 5,2009 with a change to reflect the resolution number 0105091 to 0108091). Voting aye: Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen, Kluender. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to correct the resolution number on the planning commission minutes back to 010509. Voting aye: Neujahr, Kluender, Petersen, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Neujahr to approve a request for conditional use permit by Mark Weaver to operate Tidy Totes Etc. as a home occupation at 303 N Macomb Street. Voting aye: Wescott, Kluender, Petersen, Neujahr. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to approve a request by the Chamber of Commerce/Heart City Bull Bash Committee for a special designated license for a wine tasting to be held in the Wells Fargo Building on February 14, 2009. Voting aye: Petersen, Neujahr, Wescott, Kluender. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Petersen, to adopt a resolution to request that excess funds in the Valentine Bond Fund Account be transferred from the Cherry County Treasurer to the City of Valentine for disposition according to law. Voting aye: Kluender, Petersen, Neujahr, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

Following a series of bids for lease of Parcel A, B and C, Council Chairperson Kluender declared the public auction closed at 7:45 p.m.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to accept the bid of \$400.00 from Bill Ward for lease of Parcel A for grazing for the year 2009. Voting aye: Wescott, Petersen, Kluender, Neujahr. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to accept the bid of \$400.00 from Bill Ward for lease of Parcel B and C for grazing for the year 2009. Voting aye: Petersen, Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to adopt a resolution to change the number of members on the cemetery board from six to five. Voting aye: Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Petersen, to approve the reappointment of John Hanzlicek to the cemetery board. Voting aye: Kluender, Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen. Motion carried unanimously.

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Councilmember Petersen made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to authorize solicitation of bids for a utility pickup. Voting aye: Neujahr, Wescott, Petersen, Kluender. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Petersen, to donate the consumers building to the county for 600 square feet of office space in the Cherry County Justice Center. Voting aye: Petersen, Wescott. Voting no: Neujahr, Kluender. Motion failed.

Councilmember Kluender made a motion, seconded by Neujahr, to contribute the consumers building property to the county if required in exchange for police office space in the Cherry County Justice Center subject to an interlocal agreement agreed upon by both parties. Voting aye: Wescott, Kluender, Petersen, Neujahr. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business before the council, Councilmember Kluender made a motion, seconded by Wescott, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:39 p.m. Voting aye: Petersen, Neujahr, 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 January 9, 2009.

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

