

City of Valentine
Regular Council Meeting
City Library Meeting Room
Thursday, September 13, 2018
7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Valentine, Nebraska was held September 13, 2018 at 7:00 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.

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

Chairperson of the Council Kyle Arganbright opened the meeting with the following Council members in attendance: Neil Wescott, Kalli Kieborz, Dave Otradovsky and Andrew Ward. Also in attendance were City Manager Shane Siewert and Deanna Schmit, City Clerk, recorded the minutes.

7:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING: Pursuant to advertisement in the Midland News and Nebraska State Statutes Sections 13-501 to 13-512, a Public Hearing was opened to receive comments on the City of Valentine proposed 2018-2019 fiscal year budget.

7:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING: Pursuant to advertisement in the Midland News and Nebraska State Statutes Section 77-1601.02, a Public Hearing was opened to receive comments in setting the final tax request for fiscal year 2018-2019.

Councilmember Wescott asked to pull consent agenda item number 2B.

Councilmember Wescott made the motion to approve the consent agenda items: #2a) Regular Library Board meeting minutes of August 27, 2018; #2c) Economic Development Board meeting minutes of July 23, 2018; #3a) Regular Meeting of August 9, 2018 #3b) Special Valentine Area Solid Waste Agency meeting minutes of August 23, 2018; #4 July, 2018 Financial Reports; #5 August, 2018 Receipt Report; #6 August, 2018 Claims & Payroll. Councilmember Arganbright seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright, Otradovsky. Voting no: Ward. Motion carried four to one.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve consent agenda item #2b) Cemetery Board meeting minutes of July 2, 2018. Voting aye: Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright, Otradovsky, Ward. Motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken concerning the purchase of a vacuum/excavation trailer with valve exerciser.

7:15 p.m. Pursuant to notice in Valentine Midland News and section 4.6 of the Valentine Zoning Ordinance, a public hearing was opened for review and approval/denial of the zoning change request for John Borman. From Highway Commercial (CH) to General Industrial (I2).

7:20 p.m. Public hearing for zoning change request was closed.

7:20 p.m. Public hearing for proposed 2018-2019 fiscal year budget was closed.

7:20 p.m. Public hearing to set final tax request was closed.

No action taken concerning Ordinance No. 2018-2227M AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VALENTINE, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF VALENTINE, NEBRASKA, AS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 2016-2196M OF THE VALENTINE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VALENTINE, NEBRASKA, BY REZONING THE FOLLOWING TRACT OF LAND: A TRACT OF LAND LYING SOUTHEAST OF LOT 1, BLOCK 1, BORMAN'S SECOND ADDITION TO VALENTINE, NEBRASKA LOCATED IN THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 33 NORTH, RANGE 27 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., CHERRY COUNTY, NEBRASKA CHANGING THE ZONED AREA FROM HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (C-1) TO GENERAL INDUSTRIAL (I-2); PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND TAKE EFFECT.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the request by Cherry County Visitors Promotion Board for a contribution of \$2,392.00 in Economic Development funds to install a solar powered lighting system at the welcome to Valentine sign on Highway 20 as approved by the economic development board. Voting aye: Wescott, Arganbright, Otradovsky, Ward, Kieborz. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Arganbright made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to approve the recommendation by the economic development board to renew membership in the Central Nebraska Economic Development District. Voting aye: Arganbright, Otradovsky, Kieborz, Wescott. Voting no: Ward. Motion carried four to one.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the recommendation by the economic development board to appoint Pat Schwartz to the board for the remainder of Angie Jordan's term through June of 2021. Voting aye: Otradovsky, Ward, Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Arganbright made a motion, seconded by Wescott, to reappoint Jake Ohlmann to the Economic Development Board through June of 2021. Voting aye: Otradovsky, Arganbright, Wescott, Kieborz, Ward, Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Otradovsky, to increase sewer rates by five percent. Voting aye: Wescott, Arganbright, Kieborz, Otradovsky. Voting no: Ward, Motion carried four to one.

Councilmember Arganbright made a motion, seconded by Kieborz, to increase water rates by five percent. Voting aye: Kieborz, Otradovsky, Arganbright, Voting no: Wescott, Ward. Motion carried three to two.

Concilmember Kieborz made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the Cost of Living raises for 2018-2019 fiscal year for all non-union employees. Voting aye: Arganbright, Kieborz, Otradovsky. Voting no: Wescott, Ward. Motion carried three to two.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the Contract No. 18-UGPR-16 for Firm Electric Service to the City of Valentine from the United States Department of Energy Western Area Power Administration with a term of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. Voting Aye: Ward, Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright, Otradovsky. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the Contract No. 18-UGPR-1002 for Firm Electric Service to the City of Valentine from the United States Department of Energy Western Area Power Administration with a term of January 1, 2021 through Decembe 31, 2050. Voting aye: Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright, Otradovsky, Ward. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Ward, to approve the fire department roster. Voting aye: Wescott, Arganbright, Otradovsky, Ward, Kieborz. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Kieborz, to reappoint Burnell Nieuwenhuis, Mike Woodraska and Jeremy Stec to the Planning Commission through June, 2021. Voting aye: Arganbright, Otradovsky, Ward, Kieborz, Wescott. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Ward, to approve the American Legion Post 90 application for addition to liquor license for beer garden. Voting aye: Otradovsky, Ward, Kieborz, Wescott, Arganbright. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Arganbright, to approve the request by Devin Muirhead to allow the discharge of firearms at the golf course for a golf/skeet shooting tournament. Voting aye: Otradovsky, Arganbright, Wescott, Kieborz, Ward, Motion carried unanimously.

Update on main street project was presented.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Otradovsky to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-2228M, an Ordinance of the City of Valentine, Cherry County, Nebraska, to adopt the budget statement to be termed the Annual Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. Voting aye: Wescott, Arganbright, Kieborz, Otradovsky. Voting no: Ward. Motion carried four to one.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Otradovsky to adopt Resolution No. 0913181 setting the property tax request for fiscal year 2018-2019 in the amount of \$433,319.84. Voting aye: Kieborz, Otradovsky, Wescott, Arganbright. Voting no: Ward. Motion carried four to one.

Councilmember Wescott made a motion, seconded by Otradovsky, to adopt Resolution No. 0913182 increasing the budgeted restricted funds for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 by an additional one percent (1%) as provided by Neb. Rev. Stat 13-519. Voting aye: Arganbright, Kieborz, Otradovsky.Wescott. Voting no: Ward. Motion carried four to one.

Discussion of fees at dump was had.

Update on off hour dump operation was given.

Discussion of change to city billing cycle was had.

Update on mill pond committee was presented.

Update on permit to drain mill pond was given.

There being no further business before the council, Council Chairperson Arganbright declared the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

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 September 14, 2018.

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