

Ralston City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, December 18, 2018

The Ralston City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 5:30 PM at Ralston City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll was called with the following present: Mayor Groesser and Council members Konwinski, Fidelity, Kavanaugh, Krause, and Preis. Council member Sanchez was absent. The agenda was available at City Hall for public inspection and posted prior to the meeting. The legal notice for the meeting was published in the Ralston Recorder. Claims listed are approved and part of these minutes.

Pastor Greg Berger, Messiah Lutheran Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Groesser welcomed the press and guests. Groesser said the meeting is subject to the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and a copy of the Act is posted at the rear of the Council Chambers.

The following building permits were approved: #10491 to Shane Caradori, 7742 Highland Street – Replace roof - \$8,000.00; #10492 to Eccles Hearing & Air Conditioning, 5715 S. 77th Street – Remove window and install door - \$2,079.00; #10493 to Scott G. Shymkewicz, 7919 Heritage Circle – Replace roof - \$19,780.00; #10494 to Jacklynn A. Martin, 8316 Maywood Street – Install furnace and humidifier - \$2,535.00; #10495 to Kristin Subbert, 8004 Maywood Street – Install new furnace - \$3,163.00; #10496 to David Shively, 8049 State Street – Install new furnace/A/C, and humidifier - \$8,252.00; #10497 to Jeff L. Sinnett, 7561 Polk Street – Install new furnace - \$4,500.00; #10498 to Lisa Jedlecki, 7615 Sunset Drive – Install new insulator and reconnect with OPPD - \$100.00; #10499 to Renee Peyton, 8121 Oakwood Street – Upgrade electrical system - \$200.00; #10500 to Scott Nigro, 7529 Oakwood Street – Install picket fence/gates - \$4,309.00; #10501 to Gerald Krause, 6309 S. 73rd Avenue – Install new heat pump and electric air handler - \$9,000.00; #10502 to Joshua Siske, 8117 Oakwood Street – Install furnace - \$2,206.00; #10503 to Kenneth L. Ahl, 5127 S. 79th Avenue – Replace dishwasher - \$150.00; #10504 to Brian Lahm, 8720 Monroe Street – Replace furnace and A/C - \$10,389.00; #10505 to Christopher Barnes, 7635 Sunset Drive – Complete sewer repair - \$2,500.00;

The City Council reviewed the following items under the consent agenda:

1. Minutes from the December 4, 2018 regular city council meeting;
2. Claims; and
3. Department Head and/or Commission Reports.

Krause moved and Fidelity seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Konwinski, Fidelity, Kavanaugh, Krause, and Preis. Nay: None. Absent: Sanchez. Motion carried.

Klinker thanked Council members for their willingness to serve and their courtesy to him. The City Administrator, Finance Director and City Clerk have made an impact

this year and he is glad they are here. Klinker also extended his appreciation to the Public Works Director, Library Director, Arena General Manager and Police Chief.

Halbur reported the November statistics are included in the packets.

Benis reported the World Curling Cup event is over and officials wanted to sign a contract to have the event at the arena next year. Benis hopes to have the television numbers by next week. Benis reported on the Lancers games and the youth hockey tournament. There will be a public skate on December 22nd and 23rd; New Life Church will hold Christmas services; and the Skating Academy will have a Christmas show on December 23rd.

Groesser opened discussion on the City of La Vista special services bus annual report of ridership and revenues. Freshman said this is the annual update and commented on the FY 2017-2018 budget surplus of \$3,658, a 40 percent increase over the budgeted amount. The total ridership increased for FY 2017-2018 and Freshman indicated that the percentage is about 70 percent La Vista rides and 30 percent Ralston rides.

This program is running well. There is, however, a struggle in finding drivers. With the surplus, the costs for the City will be less and with the sale of the old van for \$4,900, that was unbudgeted revenue as well.

Groesser opened consideration of his appointments to boards and commissions, as follows:

- a. Library Board: Melanie Bloom and Tamara Aldrich
- b. Park & Tree Commission: Bob Tourek

Krause moved and Kavanaugh seconded to approve the Mayor's appointments to the boards and commissions. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Konwinski, Fidelity, Kavanaugh, Krause, and Preis. Nay: None. Absent: Sanchez. Motion carried.

Groesser opened consideration of rescheduling the first City Council meeting in January since it falls on January 1st. After discussion, it was the consensus to hold the first City Council meeting in January on January 2nd.

Groesser opened consideration of the Keno satellite permit and lottery contract for Keno at the Ralston Arena. Keith Lewis, Ralston Keno, indicated that Keno was held in the arena previously. The plan now is to install a Keno kiosk in the Cold Zone area. Winning tickets must be cashed at the main Ralston Keno location. Winning tickets can also be used to keep playing.

There being no further discussion, Konwinski moved and Krause seconded to approve the Keno satellite permit for the Ralston Arena and authorize the Mayor to sign the lottery contract for Keno at the Ralston Arena. On roll call vote, the following votes

were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Konwinski, Fideline, Kavanaugh, Krause, and Preis. Nay: None. Absent: Sanchez. Motion carried.

Groesser opened consideration of the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards Certification and Standardized System of Annual Reporting (SSAR) Roads and Streets Certification Required by LB 904 (2006).

Krause moved and Konwinski seconded to authorize the Mayor to sign the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards Certification and Standardized System of Annual Reporting (SSAR) Roads and Streets Certification Required by LB 904 (2006). Freshman indicated this is an annual report due to the state which allows the City to receive highway allocation dollars. BKD, CPA's prepared the report and it has to be filed with the state before the end of the month. It was indicated that there are 65.37 lane miles in Ralston.

On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Konwinski, Fideline, Kavanaugh, Krause, and Preis. Nay: None. Absent: Sanchez. Motion carried.

Public comment: Amy Roeder, Chamber President, thanked the City departments for their assistance for all the events that have taken place throughout the year.

George Sevick, 8001 Main Street, commented on the vegetation hiding the Veterans' memorial and would like it removed. Sevick also commented that the front of the building is falling apart on the walkway to City Hall. Sevick inquired why the snow wasn't plowed curb to curb during the last snow fall. Sevick commented on his property tax notice and the Ralston bond line item increase. Bohling indicated that 10 cents was added to service all the City services including the arena. It is the continued debt service to pay the debts for the past. Sevick said his portion increased 56 ½ percent. Krause said the taxes are based on the mill levy and commented on his property valuation. The City increased the amount of money needed to pay for the debt.

Council comment: Mayor Groesser and Council members wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 PM.

Next regular meeting Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 5:30 PM.

Rosemarie D. Russell
City Clerk

Donald A. Groesser
Mayor

CLAIMS -12-18-2018 – AAA Rents, 370.80, Rental; Action Batteries, Inc., 19.90, Batteries; Adams, Catherine, 11.81, Reimbursement; AFLAC, 275.52, Insurance; Agrivision Equipment Group, 526.32, Supplies; All American Publishing Invoices, 250.00, Publication; American legion Post #373, 600.00, Basement Rent; Ameripride Services, Inc., 98.53, Building Maint; Axon Enterprises, 1,980.00, Equipment; Billings Corporate Image, 95.00, Council photo; BMI Janitorial Group, 4,106.25, Janitorial Svcs; Book Page, 324.00, Subscription; Calibre Press, 159.00, Seminar; Carbonhouse, Inc., 500.00, Monthly Website Hosting; Carpenter Paper Co., 191.52, Supplies; Caselle, Inc., 1,151.00, Contract Support; Century Certified Services, 103.00, Pest Control/Management; Chick Fil A, 775.36, Sales Commissions; Chief School Bus Service, 1,282.75, Services; CNA Surety, 350.00, Council member Bond; Command Center, 1,163.81, Contract Labor; Cornhusker State Industries, 355.00, Services; Cox Business Services, 7,162.68, Cable; Cutchall Management, 2,596.04, Sales Commissions; Demco, 367.50, Supplies; Diamond Laundry Service, Inc., 49.90, Laundry Service; Donut Express, 811.96, Sales Commissions; Dultmeier Sales, LLC, 505.50, Parts; Eakes Office Solutions, 1,140.40, Office Supplies; Event Booking.com, LLC, 2,000.00, Subscription; Excel Physical Therapy, 50.00, Medical Testing; Experian, 27.00, Svcs; Factory Motor Parts, Co., 155.04, Supplies; Fireguard, Inc., 1,659.62, Inspection Svcs; Fleek, Brianna, 100.00, Janitorial Svcs; Forrest, David, 20.15, Reimbursement; Gale/Cengage Learning, 145.61, Books; Global Financial Group, 151.91, Armored Car Service; Great Western Bank, 332,950.97, Transfer; Halbur, Bailey, 34.34, Reimbursement; Hatcher Mobile Services, LLC, 3,486.86, Svcs; Helget Gas Products, 272.59, Supplies; Holiday Inn Express Ralston, 233.98, Hotel Room; Ingram Library Services, Inc., 2,956.25, Books; Integrated Solutions, Inc., 2,551.00, Computer Support; J.P. Cooke Company, 20.76, Name Plate; Klinker, Mark, 3,620.00, Legal Services; La Rue Coffee, 786.87, Coffee; La Vista, City of, 683.88, Special Service Bus; Loveless Machine & Grinding, 135.00, Services; Lueders Lock & Key, Inc., 110.00, Services; M & M Staffing, 660.00, Contract Labor; Main Street Café, 498.50, Sales Commissions; Maria's Enterprises, 32,344.13, Sales Commissions; Menards-Ralston, 134.35, Supplies; MHSAA, 5,341.05 Basketball; Micro Marketing LLC, 43.80, Books; Mid America Books, 37.90, Books; Mid-American Benefits, Inc., 128.00, Cobra; Midwest Plastics, Inc., 389.70, Supplies; Midwest Sound & Lighting, Inc., 80.00, Equipment Rental; Nebraska Air Filter, Inc., 418.80, Supplies; Nebraska Iowa Supply Co., 2,848.99, Fuel; Nebraska Licensed Beverage Assn, 200.00, Annual Dues; Nebraska Salt & Grain Co., 1,715.63, Salt; OCLC, Inc., 352.01, Cataloging and Metadata; Omaha Compound Company, 196.16, Supplies; Omaha Douglas Publ Bldg., 19.25, Parking; Omaha Magazine, Ltd, 1,420.00, Advertising; Omaha World Herald, 1,835.10, Publications; O'Malley, Margaret, 412.50, Janitorial; One Call Concepts, Inc., 25.29, Locate Fees; OS Sales Co., Inc., 954.30, Food; Pepsi-Cola, 4,935.50, Soda; Pitney Bowes-PA, 231.96, Rental; Pollstar, 1,999.00, Advertising; Publishers Prime, 1,218.38, Books; Ralston Area Chamber of Commerce, 400.00, Membership Dues; Ralston Arena Operating Acct., 6,098.95, Settlement-Metro Volleyball; Ralston Automotive, 600.87, Supplies; Rapid Graphics and Signs, 1,507.81, Signs; Recorded Books, Inc., 1,232.22, Books; RediTech, 139.98, IT Support; Reinhart Foodservice, 2,567.58, Food; Ridder, Justine, 32.68, Reimbursement; Rotella's Italian Bakery, 159.14, Bread; Roto-Rooter Services Co., 506.00, Repair; RYBA Construction,

3,830.00, Salt/Snow Removal; Sheraton Omaha Hotel, 547.28, Hotel; Showcases, 360.72, Supplies; Slingshot Promotions LLC, 3,375.90, Promotions; Sno Floss, 839.44, Sales Commissions; Spin Linen Management, 737.77, Linens; Staples Advantage, 245.68, Supplies; The Reader, 387.00, Advertising; TMS Production Integration, 500.70, Rental Agreement; Trans Union Risk & Alternative, 25.00, Services; U.S. Foods, Inc., 5,414.48, Food; Union Medical Services, Inc., 3,720.00, Medical Squad; Unique Books, Inc., 26.85, Placements; Unique Management Services, Inc., 8.95, Placements; United Distributors, Inc., 64.50, Salt; Verizon Wireless, 976.38, Cell Phones; Waldinger Corporation, 43,546.64, Maintenance Contract; Walker, James Rodney, 27.50, Travel Expense; Water Engineering, Inc., 175.00, Monthly Service Agreement; Westlake Ace Hardware, 8.26, Supplies; Zerorez-Omaha, 1,500.00, Cleaning.