

Ralston City Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

The Ralston City Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, September 3, 2017 at 5:30 PM at Ralston City Hall. Roll was called with the following present: Konwinski, Fideline, Alberhasky, Krause, Sanchez, Preis and Mayor Groesser. The agenda for this meeting 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 Matt Fowler, Trinity United Methodist Church, gave the Invocation.

Mayor Groesser said the meeting is subject to the Nebraska Open meeting Act and a copy of the Act is posted at the rear of Chamber. Groesser welcomed guests and press.

The following building permits were approved: #10044 to Westlake Hardware-8018 Harrison-Install Sign-\$10,000.00; #10052 to Corey Jejnal-7708 Seymour-Repair Fence-\$1,750.00; Dave Ishii-8211 Ralston Ave-Replace Outside Sewer Main-\$3,500.00; #10059 to Prairie Storage-7900 Harrison-Replace Sign-\$8,920.00; #10060-Robertson Properties-6809 S 84<sup>th</sup> St-Repair Drain-\$4,100.00; #10061 to Trifecta Properties-6737 Woodbine Cr-Install Electrical-\$3,500.00; #10062 to Trifecta Properties-6737 Woodbine Cir-Install Plumbing-\$400.00; #10063 to Lee O'Doherty-7777 Highland-ReRoof House-\$4,785.40; #10064 to Douglas Stewart-7611 Maywood-Replace AC-\$3,675.00; #10065 to William Jadowski-6607 S 77 Cir-Replace HVAC-\$6,368.00; #10066 to Christian Gohr-5008 Sunset Blvd-Replace Furnace-\$1,431.00; #10067 to Brian Kruger/Tabatha Chase-7511 Washington St-Repair Sewer-\$9,683.00; #10068 to Trifecta Properties-6737 Woodbine Cir-Replace Shower Drain-\$500.00; #10069 to David Kacher-6317 S 79 Cir-Build Pergola-\$950.00; #10070 to William Ward-5208 Miller Ave-Replace Furnace & AC-\$4,550.00; #10071 to Doug Fliam-7712 Seymour St-Remodel House-\$9,400.00; #10072 to John Gawley-7620 Highland-Build Deck-\$2,600.00; #10073 to Timothy O'Connor-7229 Washington St-Replace Electrical Panel-\$880.00; #10074 to Edward Betzer-7921 Highland St-Build Deck-\$600.00; #10075 to Doug Fliam-7712 Seymour St-Install Electric-\$6,000.00; #10076 to Shirley Sindelar-8667 Monroe St-Replace Roof-\$3,000.00; #10077 to Park Properties-7775 Park Dr-Install Water Heater-\$500.00; #10078 to Doug Fliam-7712 Seymour St-Install HVAC-\$10,000.00

Groesser moved Agenda Item #5 to #1. Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Krause, second by Konwinski, all vote yes, motion carried. Public Works Director Dan Freshman said the 16-17 Special Services Bus numbers have increased due to growth in LaVista. RVFD Chief Kevin Eischeid said the Fire Department was awarded a four year grant. Arena Manager Stan Benis spoke to future events at the Arena.

1. Consideration of Planning Commission Recommendation for Ralston Middle School QR Code Project.

Ralston Middle School teachers Shelley Sheets and Jackie Groesser introduced students involved in the project developing a walking tour of Ralston with QR Codes placed around the City with stories of Ralston's history. Rich Onken, Planning Commission Chairman, spoke to the Commission's approval. J. Groesser spoke to additional locations. Motion to approve by Konwinski, second by Krause, all vote yes, motion carried.

2. First Reading and Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance 1217: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT FOR THE CITY OF RALSTON TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL FOR THE CITY OF RALSTON; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (17-18) (CONSIDERATION OF OVERRIDE OF RESOLUTION #9018).

Krause introduced Ordinance 1217. Morrison read Ordinance 1217. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Chris Lindner with BKD spoke to his involvement in budget planning and recommends approval by Council. Groesser said there will not be a tax increase and the budget balances. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Groesser opened Public Hearing regarding the 1% authority. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve by Krause, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried. Motion to approve override of Resolution #9018 by Krause, second by Konwinski, all vote yes, motion carried. Krause said this has been done every year. Groesser opened for Public Hearing. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve Ordinance 1217 on first reading by Konwinski, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried. Motion to waive second and third readings by Krause, second by Alberhasky, all vote yes, motion carried. Groesser closed Meeting. Groesser opened Meeting.

3. Public Hearing for Consideration of Resolution No. 2017-3: A RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX AT A DIFFERENT AMOUNT THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. Krause introduced Resolution 2017-3. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve by Krause, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried.

4. Public Hearing for Consideration of NE Methodist Hospital Foundation SDL for October 26, 2017. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Sue Roberts spoke to the event/fundraiser. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Motion to approve by Krause, second by Alberhasky, all vote yes, motion carried.

5. Public Hearing for Consideration of Bushwackers SDLs for September 20, 27 and October 4, 2017. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Clarice Charf said the SDLs are for the regular bike nights. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve by Krause, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried.

6. First Reading and Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 1213: AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 326 OF CHAPTER 1 OF THE RALSTON MUNICIPAL CODE DEALING WITH THE MERGED OFFICES OF CITY CLERK/TREASURER; TO REPEAL PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Konwinski introduced Ordinance 1213. Morrison read Ordinance 1213. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Klinker spoke to the separation of the City Clerk and City Treasurer positions and repeal of Chapter 1 Section 326. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve Ordinance 1213 on first reading by Konwinski, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried. Motion to waive second and third readings by Krause, seconded by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried.

7. First Reading and Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 1214: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 301 OF CHAPTER 1 OF THE RALSTON MUNICIPAL CODE DEALING WITH THE ENUMERATION AND DESIGNATION OF TITLE OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS; TO REPEAL PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Alberhasky introduced Ordinance 1214. Morrison read the Ordinance. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Klinker spoke to the features that include enumeration of appointed officials, new positions and voting procedure. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve Ordinance 1214 on First Reading by Krause, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried. Motion to waive second and third readings by Krause, second by Fidelity, all vote yes, motion carried.

8. First Reading and Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 1215: AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 328 OF CHAPTER 1 OF THE RALSTON MUNICIPAL CODE DEALING WITH THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY CITY CLERK/TREASURER;

TO REPEAL PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Konwinski introduced Ordinance 1215. Morrison read the Ordinance. Groesser opened for Public Hearing. Klinker said this repeals Section 1-328. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve by Krause, second by Fideline, all vote yes, motion carried. Motion to waive second and third reading by Preis, second by Fideline, all vote yes, motion carried.

9. First Reading and Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 1216: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2017, IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$405,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING PAVING IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF RALSTON, NEBRASKA; AGREEING TO ISSUE BONDS TO PAY THE NOTES AND ACCRUED INTEREST AT MATURITY; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF THE NOTES; AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE NOTES TO THE PURCHASER AND ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

Konwinski introduced Ordinance 1216. Morrison read the Ordinance. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Dan Freshman spoke to the 84<sup>th</sup> Street viaduct improvement project and this being the first payment. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve on first reading by Krause, second by Fideline, all vote yes, motion carried on first reading. Motion to waive second and third reading by Alberhasky, second by Fideline, all vote yes, motion carried.

10. Third Reading and Public Hearing for Consideration of Ordinance No. 1212: AN ORDINANCE CHANGING SEWER USE CHARGES BY AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 439 AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

Konwinski introduced Ordinance No. 1212. Morrison read the Ordinance. Groesser opened Public Hearing. Groesser closed Public Hearing. Motion to approve by Konwinski, second by Fideline, all vote yes, motion carried.

11. Consideration of Appointment of David Forrest to City Administrator. Forrest introduced himself to Council. Motion to approve Mayor's Appointment of David Forrest as City Administrator by Krause, second by Alberhasky, Alberhasky votes no, rest of Council votes yes, motion carried.
12. Consideration of Appointment of Timothy Bohling to Finance Director. Bohling introduced himself to Council. Motion to approve Mayor's Appointment of Timothy Bohling by Krause, second by Konwinski, all vote yes, motion carried.

Chamber of Commerce President Amy Roeder said the next Tunes in Town Square will be September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Krause spoke to the hiring process for the new positions. Sanchez is looking forward to see the progress. Preis spoke about street closing on 84<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor welcomed David and Timothy.

There being nothing further of a general nature to come before the Council, the Meeting was adjourned.

Next regular Meeting Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 5:30 PM.

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Alice Morrison  
Acting City Clerk/Treasurer

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Donald A Groesser  
Mayor

