

Regular Council Meeting

November 4, 2019

The Wakefield City Council met in a regular meeting on November 4, 2019 in the Council Chambers at 407 Main Street at 5:30 P.M. with the following present: **Present:** Val Bard, Ross Hansen, Scott Hansen, Larry Soderberg. Also present: Mayor Eaton, City Administrator Litchfield, City Attorney Miner, Utility Foreman Mogus, Administrative Coordinator Decker, and Clerk Dolen.

Mayor Eaton opened the meeting at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Eaton informed those present of the Nebraska Open meetings Law, and where a copy of such was posted in the Council Chambers for review.

Steve Gilbert, Rural Housing 360 Program Director -

Val Bard: Present, Ross Hansen: Present, Scott Hansen: Present, Larry Soderberg: Present.

Steve Gilbert, Rural Housing 360 Program Director, appeared before the council gave a presentation on the features of the Rural Housing 360 program.

Mayor's public comment period -

Action on Rutjens Settlement letter -

The council then discussed the Rutjens settlement offer.

Council Member Ross Hansen moved to accept the offer from Rutjens Construction, Inc to provide 35 curb stop rods to the City of Wakefield. Council Member Val Bard seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Val Bard: aye, Ross Hansen: aye, Scott Hansen: aye, Larry Soderberg: nay

Approval of New Construction Building Permit #18-2019- Doc Jay's -

Council Member Scott Hansen moved to approve Building Permit #18-2019 for Lot 5, Block 1, Industrial Park for Jason Ladely dba Doc Jay's. Council Member Val Bard seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Val Bard: aye, Ross Hansen: aye, Scott Hansen: aye, Larry Soderberg: aye

Approval of Building Permit #19-2019 - Humpty Dumpty Daycare -

Council Member Larry Soderberg moved to approve Building Permit #19-2019 at 405 Johnson Street for the Humpty Dumpty Daycare Expansion Project. Council Member Ross Hansen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Val Bard: aye, Ross Hansen: aye, Scott Hansen: aye, Larry Soderberg: aye

Levee Rebuild Update - NPPD -

The council then discussed the Levee Rebuild. Nebraska Public Power District is requiring installing three new power poles,

Council Member Val Bard moved to approve the Nebraska Public Power District Levee Rebuild Line Relocation Project at the estimated cost of \$33,254.56. Council Member Scott Hansen seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Val Bard: aye, Ross Hansen: aye, Scott Hansen: aye, Larry Soderberg: aye

Planning Commission Follow up - Tom Jacobsen Development -

The Council briefly discussed an apartment complex project proposed on Cottonwood Street.

Action on hiring Lincoln Law Firm to address retirement plan of WHCC employees -

Attorney Theresa Miner then addressed the Council on the Wakefield Health Care Center (WHCC) retirement plan. WHCC recently contracted Cline Williams LLP to audit their records, and it was brought to their attention that WHCC employees were investing in an incorrect retirement plan. Cline Williams is requiring the City to approve the firm to proceed.

Council Member Scott Hansen moved to hire Cline Williams to address the retirement plan for the Wakefield Health Care Center and the City office and shop employees, if necessary. Council Member Val Bard seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Val Bard: aye, Ross Hansen: Abstain (With Conflict), Scott Hansen: aye, Larry Soderberg: aye

ADJOURN -

Council Member Ross Hansen moved to ajourn at 7:24 P.M. Council Member Val Bard seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Val Bard: aye, Ross Hansen: aye, Scott Hansen: aye, Larry Soderberg: aye

Paul Eaton, Mayor

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City of Wakefield)

I, the undersigned City Clerk of Wakefield, Nebraska, do certify that all the subjects in the attached proceedings, were contained in the agenda for the meeting on November 4, 2019 kept current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours to the meeting, that said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days prior to the next convened meeting of said body.

Zach Dolen, City Clerk