

**The July 12th, 2021, Council Meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM. Five members of the City Council were present in Chambers.**

*The Consent Agenda included the following items:*

- a. Approval of Minutes of the June 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting.
- b. Payroll for the pay period ending July 3rd, 2021, in the amount of **\$194,144.12.**
- c. Reports from Police, Community Development, and Bock, Incorporated

**Motion made by Councilmember Colomer to approve consent agenda. A Seconded was made by Councilmember Faber. No Discussion . Motion Passed 5-0**

**Bills were presented in the amount of \$295,722.49.**

**Councilmember Komnick moved to approve payment of the bills. Councilmember Colomer seconded the motion. Discussion:** Council Member Faber wanted some clarification on a court ordered clean up. Gary Bradley stated this was court ordered. Council member Colomer asked about the Blue Line training that was on the bill run. Chief Welgat explained that is the online training that we do. Colomer asked if that was something that could be shared with Fire and Chief stated that he could investigate that. This training is mandated. Council member Baker asked about the new security cameras. Newton stepped up to let them know how many and where they were. **The motion was approved 5-0.**

**Public Comments:**

**New Business:**

- a) **Consideration of an Ordinance #4063** granting a variance to Zion Lutheran Church for property at 250 East St. South to allow the replacement of the existing illuminated sign with an LED sign **Councilmember Komnick moved to approve. Councilmember Faber seconded.** Faber stated that these are the same signs that we have already in town. Chief Welgat stated he was contacted and explained that he sees no problem with the brightness ion the LED's. **Motion passed 5-0**
- b) **Discussion of Fund balance Policy:** Gary Bradley started with his research in what we already have in place and what is the norm and the recommendations from the Auditors. Randi Haley also stated that she completely agrees wit the change and going forward this will make the budget process more accurate and fiscally responsible with taxpayer's funds.

**Council Communications:**

- **Councilmember Komnick** started with thanking everyone who helped and attended the Prairie Chicken Festival. Thank you to Chief Welgat for the extensive breakdown of the OT in the packet. Also, the news media regarding the meth problem in our area. Is there anything that we can help with and what can we do to step in for the community. Chief Welgat stepped up to say there are things that we can do. We need more staff to help combat that.

- **Councilmember Baker** inquired about a four way that was asked to see about a stop sign. Chief said at this time and research showed that is it not warranted. Thank you to the Community Development group for their response to the weeds and lawn care.
- **Councilmember Faber:** Asked Gary Bradley for an update on the Boiler Shop. GB stated the last update a month or 2 ago was that the EPA is still planning to move forward but this was not going to be a quick process. A huge thank you to all that helped with the Prairie Chicken festival and all department that the city has and helped.
- **Councilmember Colomer:** Another thank you to the Fire Department and Police Department for their involvement at the festival. The Pancake breakfast was also a big hit. Golf cart ordinance was a great idea and seems to be a great success.
- **Mayor's Communications:**
  - **Mayor Moore** wanted to say how thankful he is for all the volunteers and their staff to get the festival all up and running and such a success. All a shoot out to Jeanna Moore and her success in the American Flag program and what an overwhelming success that has been. Looks like we will be able to do way more streets that originally thought. Thank you to all that have donated to that great cause.
- **Announcements:** Summer Burning is all done till September, October, and November
- **Councilmember Colomer moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Faber seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM**