**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**OF THE CITY OF WILBER, NEBRASKA**

**Tuesday, March 14, 2023  7:30 p.m.**

Mayor Chrans called the regular meeting to order at the Cultural Center at 110 W Third Street in Wilber, Nebraska at 7:30 p.m.  Notice of this meeting was published in *The Wilber Republican* on March 1, 2023.  The following were present. Mayor Roger Chrans, Council members Kent Linhart, Allen Brozovsky and Randy Sasek. City Attorney Tad Eickman, City Treasurer Gail May, City Clerk Lori Rezny, Programs Administrator Shanon Meyer, City Superintendent Tim Krivohlavek, Water/WWTP Operator Jason Ripa, Saline County Deputy Tom Hudiburgh, Jason and Darcy Richtarik, Holly and Monty Murkle and Decker and Dawn Truka. Absent was Councilmember Tim Lempka.

The Mayor stated that the open meetings act is posted in the meeting room and is available for public inspection.  Roll call shows three Councilmembers are present.  The Mayor called for recognition of visitors if anyone in attendance wishes to address the Council.  No one addressed the Council.

Brozovsky moved and Linhart seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the February 14, 2023 regular meeting and February 28, 2023 special meeting and claims as presented. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Claims were as follows.  Description of claims for this legal, an-annuity; bond-bond expense, pymt, interest; const-construction; eq-equipment; ex-expense; ga-garnishment; gr-grant reimb; in-insurance; ml-mileage; mi-miscellaneous; pf-professional services; pr-payroll; ps-power supplier; rb-reimbursement; rp-repairs and maintenance; st-sales tax; se-service; sup-supplies; loan-srf/loan pymt; tr-transfer of funds; ut-utilities. 41 Auto Parts, rp, 2100.73; 911 Custom, eq, 1256.30; Akrs, eq, 362.91; American Family, in, 297.94; Ameritas, an, 1557.41; Black Hills, ut, 755.83; Blue Cross, in, 11,387.61; Border States, sup, 899.34; Card Services, sup, 106.90; City of Wilber, ut, 3838.33; pr, 48,925.92; Constellation Newenergy, ut, 3079.96; Crete Ace Hardware, rp, 341.77; Culligan, se, 19.50; Dvoracek Mem Library, tr, 20,000.00; Eakes Office, sup, 514.04; Ed M Feld, sup, 982.46; Elan Financial Services, se, 2123.18; F & M Bank, in, 1330.00; Farmers Elevator, sup, se, 1653.09; First Bankcard, sup, 2060.97; Food Mesto, sup, 8.97; IRS, pr tx, 10,646.46; Lori Rezny, rb, 130.04; Lowes, sup, 1195.74; Matheson, sup, 313.31; Mutual of Omaha, in, 362.88; Midwest Labs, ex, 30.29; HHS, rb, 1006.57; Ne Public Health, ex, 30.00; Norris PP, ps, 78,917.17; Olsson, pf, 390.00; One Call, se, 17.14; Pacific Life, an, 1370.64; Petty Cash, rb, 750.00; Rose Equip., eq, rp, 4469.80; Quadient, ex, 690.00; Sack Lumber, sup, rp, 682.05; Saline Co Clerk, se, 16,666.66; Saline Co Treasurer, se, 309.17; SCBA Sales, eq, 8467.87; Schuerman Welding, rp, 8025.74; Seward County Independent, ex, 105.15; Shanon Meyer, rb, 245.00; Shop Qwik, sup, 639.95; State of Nebr., st, 9985.45; pr tx, 1624.01; Tad Eickman, pf, 2000.00; Walker Uniform, se, 33.49; Waste Connections, se, 18,804.57; WAPA, ps, 14,764.79; Wilber Rescue, se, 810.00; Windstream, ut, 478.40; Waterpark Excitement, const, 16,719.50.

Resolution No. 2023-02 was read aloud by the Mayor. Sasek moved and Brozovsky seconded to approve Resolution No. 2023-02. A resolution providing for the approval by the governing body of the City of Wilber, Saline County, Nebraska, of a Subdivision Conveyance Pursuant to Section 19-916 R.R.S. 1943. Involving Lots 264, 265 and 266, Original Town of Wilber, Saline County, Nebraska, property owned by Jason Richtarik and Darcy R. Muncey and Darcy R. Richtarik. Roll call vote. Yes. Linhart, Brozovsky and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0. (a complete copy of the resolution is on file at the City Office and is available for public inspection during regular business hours).

Saline County Deputy Hudiburgh presented the monthly Sheriff’s report.

The Mayor read aloud a Proclamation proclaiming the 21st day of March 2023 as World Down Syndrome Day in Wilber, NE. The Mayor then presented a copy of the proclamation to Holly Murkle and Decker Truka.

Brozovsky moved and Linhart seconded to approve the Letter Agreement for Professional Services for Compliance Testing/Recertification for the Power Plant including RICE NESHAP Catalyst Recertification / Air Compliance Testing. The cost of this scope of services is $13,800.00. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Sasek moved and Linhart seconded to approve the Casey’s Retail Company Liquor License Corporate Manager application of Christopher Sieck. Roll call vote. Yes. Linhart, Brozovsky and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Sasek moved and Brozovsky seconded to make a donation of $150 to Rural Water for their assistance in helping search for a water leak in the City. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Jason Ripa had discussion with Council on doing a control burn at the airport and possibly haying part of the airport ground and update of the Lead & Copper surveying. Craig Vyhnalek with Vyhnalek Insurance stated that himself (Asst. Fire Chief) and Scott Havel (Fire Chief) went over the current insurance coverages on the Fire & Rescue Department building, contents and equipment. Craig presented a list of suggested increases in coverage for the building and contents and vehicles. After further discussion, it was agreed to consider Craig’s presentation as informational, and this matter will be tabled until the increased costs of the coverages is presented and may be considered at a future meeting.

Sasek moved and Linhart seconded to approve the contract for legal services with Tad D. Eickman, Attorney at Law for the period of two years at a cost of $24,000.00 per year for services, payable at a rate of $2000.00 per month commencing January 1, 2023. Roll call vote. Yes. Linhart, Brozovsky and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Linhart moved and Brozovsky seconded to approve the appointment of Randy Fulton to fill the vacancy on the City’s Board of Adjustment which term will begin immediately and expire December 2025. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

City Reports were given after which Brozovsky moved and Linhart seconded to go into closed session at 8:15 p.m. for the protection of the City’s liability regarding Wilber Reservoir 1 area. The Mayor restated the purpose of the closed session is for the protection of the City’s liability regarding Wilber Reservoir 1 area. Roll call vote. Yes. Linhart, Brozovsky and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0. Those in the closed session were Mayor Chrans, Councilmembers Sasek, Linhart and Brozovsky, City Clerk Lori Rezny, Programs Administrator Shanon Meyer, City Superintendent Tim Krivohlavek and City Attorney Tad Eickman. The doors of the meeting room were opened at 8:28 p.m. Sasek moved and Brozovsky seconded to exit the closed session. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Sasek moved and Linhart seconded to direct the City Attorney to prepare and send a letter to the Wilber Housing Authority to cease parking of vehicles and other items on the Wilber Reservoir 1 spillway area. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.

Brozovsky moved and Sasek seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote. Yes. Brozovsky, Linhart and Sasek. No. None. Motion carried 3-0.