

MINUTES OF THE EDNA CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
EDNA CITY HALL  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER:**

MAYOR SAM VAIL CALLED THE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE EDNA CITY HALL.

**OPENING PRAYER:**

SAM VAIL

**ROLL CALL**

COUNCIL MEMBERS CINDY BARNES, JESSIE FOISTER, SHARON HOYT, AND JO KINZIE WERE PRESENT. JOE KASHKA WAS ABSENT.

ALSO, PRESENT WERE JASON MYERS; UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT, JOYCE ROSSON; CITY CLERK, LEA HILDERBRAND, MELISSA SIMMONS, JACOB McCALLIE, ALAN AND MICHELLE KALGREN.

**MINUTES**

BARNES MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023. KINZIE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY FOISTER TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023 REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE HEARING. BARNES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

BARNES MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023 BUDGET HEARING FOR 2024. FOISTER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

**INVOICES** FOISTER MADE A MOTION TO PAY THE INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,713.28 FROM THE OPERATING ACCOUNT. KINZIE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

**MELISSA SIMMONS – LIBRARY BOARD**

MELISSA REPORTED THAT LANE WHITT WILL BE SUBMITTING AN ESTIMATE FOR TABLES AND BENCHES FOR THE OUTDOOR LIBRARY GAZEBO.

SIMMONS ASKED IF THE CITY WOULD CONSIDER ASSISTING THE LIBRARY WITH A SHORTFALL IN THE LIBRARY'S 2024

BUDGET. ALSO, THERE WERE UNEXPECTED EXPENSES FOR HOOPLA DIGITAL MEDIA. THE TRANSITION PERIOD BETWEEN THE LIBRARIANS AND PAYROLL FOR DURING THE TRAINING PERIOD.

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION, THE GOVERNING BODY TABLED TAKEING ACTION ON THE LIBRARY'S 2024 BUDGET SHORTFALL. THE BOARD PLANS TO CHECK ON OTHER RESOURCES TO AID IN RESOLVING THESE ISSUES.

**MICHELLE KALGREN – CHICKENS & RABBITS**

MRS. KALGREN ASKED IF SHE COULD SUBMIT A PETITION OF 80 SIGNATURES FOR THE GOVERNING BODY TO CONSIDER ALLOWING CHICKENS AND RABBITS IN THE CITY LIMITS.

MAYOR VAIL STATED THE SUBJECT HAD BEEN ON THE TABLE SINCE JUNE 10, 2021 AND THE COUNCIL PLACE A DEADLINE OF JULY 13, 2023 FOR SUBMITTING THE PETITION. BECAUSE THE PETITION DID NOT MATERIALIZING, ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THE JULY 13, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING TO ALLOW THE SUBJECT TO DIE FOR LACK OF INTEREST.

**CITY CLERK  
PROJECT UPDATES**

THE CLERK REPORTED DOYLE GLASS HAS INSTALLED THE NEW WINDOWS ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE ENTRANCE DOOR IN THE KITCHEN. THE INTERIOR WALL WILL NEED TO BE COMPLETED IN THE KITCHEN BY THE FIRST OF DECEMBER.

**REPORTS FROM THE CLERK ON THE TEFFI: SEED GRANT PROJECTS:**

PARK RESTROOMS ARE NEARLY COMPLETE. THE NEXT OBJECTIVE IS TO ORDER THE FOUNTAIN AND BOTTLE FILLING STATION, THE RAMP FOR THE HANDICAP RESTROOM, INSTALL SIGNAGE, SOAP DISPENSERS, TOWEL DISPENSERS AND HANDICAP BARS.

LIBRARY PROJECT IS MOVING ALONG VERY WELL WITH TABLES AND BENCHES IN THE PROCESS. THE ELECTRIC HAS BEEN COMPLETED. THE BOOK LOCKERS WILL BE COMPLETE UPON GETTING THE CORRECT LOCKS INSTALLED.

## **USE AGREEMENTS**

LEA HILDERBRAND HAS UPDATED THE FACILITY USE AGREEMENTS WITH THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE INDIVIDUALS UTILIZING THEM ALONG WITH THE RATE CHARGED PER HOUR. THE COUNCIL WAS ASKED TO REVIEW THEM FOR APPROVAL AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

## **ESTIMATES FINISH INTERIOR**

KINGDOM BUILDER SUBMITTED AN ESTIMATE OF THE COST TO FINISH THE KITCHEN OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING, ALTHOUGH THE TIMING WILL NOT WORK WITH THEIR SCHEDULE.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**UPDATES** JACOB MCCALLIE PROVIDED AN UPDATE ON THE FIRE ENGINE AND EQUIPMENT, DECALS FOR THE FIRST RESPONDER AND THE COUNTYWIDE RADIO COMMUNICATION DEVICES WHICH WERE DISCUSSED AT THE FIRE CHIEF'S MEETING.

**BATTERY** HE REPORTED HAVING TO REPLACE THE BATTERY IN BRUSH I, AS THEY EXPERIENCED A FAILURE WHILE AT A GRASS FIRE.

## **REQUISITION**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BARNES TO ALLOW \$926.79 FOR THE PURCHASE OF VENTILATION FAN CONTROLLER, 2.5" GATE VALVE, FIRE PREVENTION MATERIALS, BRUSH TRUCK REPLACEMENT BATTERY AND GASKET MATERIALS. HOYT SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

### **SEWER LINE**

THE SEWER PROJECT ON MAPLE STREET WITH STEVE ALLEN CONTRACTED TO EXCAVATE ACROSS MAPLE STREET WAS COMPLETED SUCCESSFULLY.

## **MOWER REPAIRS**

BAUGHER EQUIPMENT HAD TO REPLACED THE DUMP DRIVE COUPLER, WIRING HARNESS, AND BLADES FOLLOWING A BREAKDOWN. THE REPAIRS AND BLADES CAME TO \$533.20.

## **TREE DOWN ON PROPERTY**

JASON MYERS WILL VISIT THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY WHICH LOST A PORTION OF A TREE ABOUT HIS PLANS TO GET IT CLEAN UP.

## **LAKE DOCK**



MYERS REPORTED THAT THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT HAS REPLACED ROTTEN BOARDS ON THE DOCK. HE STATED THERE ARE BOARDS UNDER THE DOCK THAT WILL ALSO NEED TO BE REPLACED. KANSAS WILDLIFE AND PARKS HAVE GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENT SUCH AS THIS WHICH THE CITY MAY WANT TO CHECK IN TO.

ORD. NO. 521

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BARNES TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 521 – SPECIAL TAX ASSESSMENTS. HOYT SECONDED AND THE MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

ADJOURNMENT

FOISTER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. KINZIE SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 4/0. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:37 P.M.

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AT 7:00 PM.



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Sam Vail, Mayor

Attest:



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Joyce Rosson, City Clerk