

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
School Board Meeting Room  
1604 Sweetwater Avenue  
July 15, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.  
AGENDA**

- **Call to Order**
- **Open Meetings Act Announcement**

For the public's reference a copy of the Open Meetings Law has been posted on the north wall of this room in the audience area. This posting complies with the requirements of the Nebraska Legislature.
- **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**A. Consent Calendar**

**B. Ordinance No. 2664 – First Reading  
Land Sale to Jerry B. Johnson and Karen Johnson**

Ordinance No. 2667 will authorize the sale of Tracts A and B, Lot 1, Block 1, Grovefield Addition, an Addition to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, NE. The purchase is being made by Jerry B. Johnson and Karen Johnson in the amount of \$6,000.00 which is according to the pricing schedule previously adopted by the City Council. A copy of the Agreement for Sale of Real Estate and a location map have been made a part of the packet for Council's review. The Johnson's have requested the waiving of three readings as there is a thirty day remonstrance period.

**C. Ordinance No. 2663 – Second Reading  
Rezoning Request of West Plains Company**

Ordinance No. 2663 will approve the rezoning request of West Plains Company on behalf of the owners of the property Brad Schnell and West Hills Land Company. The request is to rezone a tract of land in the North Half of Section 22, T25N, R48W of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Box Butte County, NE from A (Agricultural) to M-3 (Railroad Industrial). The property is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of CR 61 and Madison Road. The Alliance Planning Commission at their regular meeting June 8, 2010 recommended approval of the request. The ordinance will need to be amended to reflect staff changes to correct the language, the proposed changes are shown using highlighted text and strike outs.

**D. Resolution No. 10-85 – Street Contingency Fund Authorization**

This resolution will authorize the use of \$254,000.00 from the Street Contingency Fund for various projects identified within the resolution. A large portion of the funds, \$120,000.00 will be used for asphalt streets chip seal and crack repairs; \$100,000.00 will be used towards replacement of driving lanes on Laramie Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Streets and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Flack Avenue; and \$34,000.00 repairs to the area around the South Potash Avenue underpass, Kansas Street overpass, and an alley repair. Public Facilities Director Lenz will be in attendance at the meeting to answer questions from Council.

**E. Resolution No. 10-86 – 25<sup>th</sup> Street Overlay Bid Award**

Resolution No. 10-86 will award the 25<sup>th</sup> Street Overlay project to Simon Contractors of Scottsbluff, NE in the amount of \$61,640.00. The resolution will also grant authority to Public Facilities Director Lenz to authorize change order up to 5% of the bid. The budget for this project was approved at \$75,000.00.

**F. Resolution No. 10-87 – Authorization for a Grant Submittal**

This resolution will grant permission to Community Development Director Houck to submit a grant application for the purchase of street furniture for the Box Butte Avenue Streetscape Project. The grant will be submitted to the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality for the furniture which is partially made of recycled plastic. The grant requires a minimum of a 25% match in either money or in-kind services. Our proposal is for a grant submission of \$36,210 with a City match of \$12,070 for a total of \$48,280.

**G. Resolution No. 10-88 – Street Closure Request of BNSF Railway**

BNSF is requesting the closure of 1<sup>st</sup> Street between Box Butte and Laramie Avenues on Friday and Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> during Heritage Days for their cookout and United Way Fundraiser. The event will be between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on these dates. A map of the area has been provided and made part of the packet for your review. It is staff's understanding that nothing will be placed in the street, that the request is being made for the safety of the large number of attendees which may be standing in line to attend the event. Interim City Manager Miller is working with BNSF regarding the City's insurance requirements; since BNSF is self insured they are unable to name the City of Alliance an additional insured on a policy which is a City requirement. Staff is recommending approval of the request be contingent upon an acceptable alternative to the insurance requirement being reached between BNSF and Interim City Manager Miller.

**H. Resolution No. 10-89 – Property Insurance Proposals**

Attached for Council's consideration are three resolutions: (1) 10-89A rejecting all bids and rebidding the insurance with the professional services of a risk manager to ensure the best coverage at an affordable price; (2) 10-89B awarding the contract to Wells Fargo Insurance Services; and (3) 10-89C awarding the contract to Gregory's Insurance Company. Interim City Manager Miller will describe the process we have gone through to this point and answer questions Council may have to make an informative decision.

**I. ⊕ Executive Session – Personnel Matter**

▪ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines  
City Clerk