

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
School Board Meeting Room
1604 Sweetwater Avenue
September 2, 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. Proclamation

Resource Conservation & Development Week

C. Water Report Presentation

Part of the Nebraska Rural Water Association Contract with Nebraska Health & Human Services required a system assessment to comply with the State Revolving Loan Fund Contract the City has with the State for arsenic compliance. The report is included in your packet and summarizes the City's financial and managerial capacity to operate a public water system. A representative from the Nebraska Rural Water Association will be in attendance to make the presentation.

**D. Public Hearing – Resolution No. 10-105
Property Tax Approval**

Now is the date, time, and place to conduct a Public Hearing on the 2010 property tax request. Enclosed for Council's review is the Box Butte County Assessor's determination of taxable value which has been set at \$346,899,841.00. The City of Alliance is requesting \$1,331,645.00 which will require a levy of \$0.3838700.

**E. Ordinance No. 2667 – First Reading
Additional 1% for Budgeted Restricted Funds**

Ordinance No. 2667 will allow the City of Alliance with a 75% affirmative vote by Council to exceed the Allowable Growth and Basic Allowable Growth for the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget by 1%. This does not increase the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget; it allows us to increase the unused budget authority for use in future years. Staff is recommending Council waive three readings of this ordinance.

**F. Ordinance No. 2668 – First Reading
Classification and Compensation Plans**

This Ordinance will adopt the Classification and Compensation Plans which will be incorporated in our FY 2011 budget. The Classification Plan has several adjustments which have been identified in the attached memorandum. The Compensation Plan includes five categories: Exempt, Non-Exempt, Police Bargaining Unit, Communications Bargaining Unit, and Fire Employees and all reflect a 2% cost of living adjustment; if approved. All wage adjustments will be made effective October 2, 2010. Staff is recommending the statutory required reading of this ordinance on three separate dates be waived.

**G. Ordinance No. 2665 – Third Reading
Appropriations (Budget)**

Ordinance No. 2665 is before Council for final reading. A list of proposed amendments has been prepared for Council's consideration. The list includes Council suggested changes that were not included for consideration at the last meeting.

H. Resolution No. 10-102 – Alley Rehabilitation Bid Award

This resolution was carried over from our last meeting and will award the Alley Rehabilitation Project to K. L. Wood & Company of Alliance, NE in the amount of \$45,000.00. The alley to be completed is the east/west alley in the 300 block between Cheyenne and Laramie Avenues. The resolution also authorizes field change orders, if necessary not to exceed \$5,000.00. The City received three bids for this project with the recommended vendor being the lowest, responsible, and responsive bidder.

I. Resolution No. 10-107 – Adoption of Title VI Regulations for NDOR

Resolution No. 10-107 will adopt the Policy Statement for the Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Roads. Public Facilities Director Eric Lenz will be in attendance to outline and describe the requirements of the City of Alliance as a result of this policy.

J. Resolution No. 10-108 – Change Date of 1st Meeting in December

Resolution No. 10-108 will change the normal meeting date of the Alliance City Council from Thursday, December 2, 2010 to Monday, December 6, 2010. This request is being made to accommodate attendance of Council members at the National League of Cities Conference which is being held in Denver, CO this year.

K. Resolution No. 10-109 – Expenditure Authorization

This resolution will allow the City of Alliance to pay certain expenses of the City Manager interview process following the guidelines of Section 13-2203 of the Nebraska State Statutes. In order for this to be accomplished it requires the Council to give prior approval for the event and the reimbursement by formal vote.

L. Board Resignation

The City of Alliance is in receipt of the resignation of Karen Boysen from the Alliance Housing Authority. Ms. Boysen would like to resign effective September 10, 2010 as she will be leaving the community. Her term is scheduled to expire December 31, 2013.

With this resignation the Alliance Housing Authority will have two vacancies to be filled.

M. Establishment of Special Meetings

The first request for a Special Meeting is for the approval of bills at the very end of our Fiscal Year. Staff is recommending a very short meeting on Thursday, September 30, 2010. It is expected the meeting will only be a few minutes and if convenient to Council can be done late in the afternoon at the Municipal Building.

The second request for a Special Meeting is to schedule the interviews for the City Manager candidates. This meeting will be Saturday, September 11, 2010 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Library/Learning Center with the exact room to be announced at a later date.

The third meeting would be for the Electric System Engineering Report which will provide the options to City Council regarding the repair or replacement of the transformer at the Cody Substation, the updating and relocation of equipment at the substation, and the associated costs with the options.

▪ Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines
City Clerk