

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
School Board Meeting Room  
1604 Sweetwater Avenue  
December 7, 2010 - 1:00 p.m.  
AGENDA**

▪ **Call to Order**

**A. Reorganization of the City Council/Oath of Office**

The reorganization meeting of the City Council will begin with the Mayor calling the meeting to order, the Clerk will announce the results of the November 2, 2010 general election, and administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Council Member Gonzalez. The Clerk will then call the roll. The present Mayor will conduct the election of the President of the Council (ex-officio Mayor) for which ballots have been included. The newly elected Mayor will then conduct the election of the Vice Mayor and proceed with the meeting.

▪ **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**

**B. Consent Calendar**

**C. Ordinance No. 2670 – First Reading  
International Building Code Adoption**

Ordinance No. 2670 is before Council on first reading. This ordinance will implement the 2009 International Building Codes. The primary difference between the current International Codes and the proposed International Codes is the requirement for the automatic fire sprinkler systems in single and two family dwellings. The ordinance before you reflects this requirement; if Council desires to not require sprinklers in single and two family dwellings, instruction will need to be given to staff and an amendment will be prepared for second reading.

**D. Ordinance No. 2671 – First Reading  
Reissue of Water Bonds**

Ordinance No. 2671 is before Council on first reading and will authorize the issuance and sale of Water Revenue Refunding Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$2,050,000. This is being done to refund \$2,120,000 of the City's outstanding Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2003 providing a substantial savings to the City.

**Resolution No. 10-143 – Authorization to Call Series 2003 Water Bonds**

Resolution No. 10-143 authorizes the City to call the Series 2003 Water Revenue Refunding Bonds. By calling these bonds and issuing new bonds the City will experience a significant savings.

**E. Resolution No. 10-144 – Intent to Incur Expenses to be Included in Electric Bond**

Resolution No. 10-144 has been prepared for the City to declare their official intent to issue tax-exempt bonds for the repairs and improvements to the electrical substation at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Cody Avenue. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued is \$1,600,000.

**F. Resolution Nos. 10-145 and 10-146 – Assistance to the Board of Education**

Resolution No. 10-145 will authorize the waiving of \$18,900.00 in building permit fees towards the construction of a Performing Arts Center by the Alliance Board of Education. This item was tabled at the September 30, 2010 Regular City Council Meeting.

Resolution No. 10-146 has been prepared for Council's consideration and will provide for assistance to the Alliance Board of Education with the use of Community Betterment Funds. This was prepared as an alternate way of assisting the Schools without waiving the building permit fees. The amount of the assistance has been left blank and an amount will need to be included in the motion or an amendment will need to be offered.

**G. Resolution No. 10-147 – Additional Concrete Crushing/Use of Contingency Funds**

At our last meeting, Council approved obtaining the services of Paul Reed Construction to crush concrete located at the Alliance Landfill. Staff has reviewed their needs and is requesting additional amounts of concrete to be crushed to maximize our savings based on the mobilization fee. Attached is a memorandum from Electric Superintendent Heinrich outlining the recommended additional uses. Resolution No. 10-147 authorizes the additional purchase and the use of contingency funds from the Electric Department - \$16,000; Water Department - \$3,000; and an additional \$7,000 from the Street Department.

**H. Resolution No. 10-148 – NDOR Bridge Inspection Agreement**

Resolution No. 10-148 will approve an Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Roads to establish uniform bridge inspection and load rating guidelines in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS). The City of Alliance is required to provide load rating and bridge inventory inspections for three bridges; Kansas Street, a box culvert on Kansas Street and 10<sup>th</sup> Street. The City has been performing these responsibilities, the Agreement only formalizes our current practice.

**I. Resolution No. 10-149 – Library Hours**

Cultural and Leisure Services Director Shana Brown has prepared a recommendation for altering library hours for Council's consideration. The Alliance Library Board has reviewed the recommendation and unanimously supported the proposed hours. The recommended changes are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Thursday - 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and closed on Sunday. If approved, staff would like the new hours to be initiated January 1, 2011. Resolution No. 10-149 has been prepared approving the library hours as proposed.

**J. Resolution No. 10-150 – Police Service Dog Purchase & Grant Contingency Fund Authorization**

This resolution will authorize staff to purchase a new Police Service Dog with the use of Grant Contingency Funds. Police Chief John Kiss will be in attendance to answer any questions of Council.

## **K. Board Announcements**

The City of Alliance is in receipt of the resignation of Rachel Gonzalez from the Alliance Planning Commission.

Wayne L. Davis has requested to serve on the Alliance Planning Commission. There currently are three unexpired terms available to fill; two which expire December 31, 2011 and one expiring December 31, 2012.

Kristi Corey, the new Main Street Manager would like to serve on the A-1 Downtown Improvement Board. Currently there are two vacancies on this board with both expiring October 31, 2013.

The City also has several Boards which will have vacancies the end of December that we would like to announce for anyone interested in serving. Those Boards are the Board of Adjustment, Golf Advisory Board, Alliance Housing Authority, Alliance Planning Commission, and the Police Citizen Advisory Board. There are also current vacancies on the A-2 Downtown Improvement Board and the Economic Development Plan Citizen Advisory Board.

### **▪ Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines  
City Clerk