

December 20, 2012

ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2012

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COUNTY OF BOX BUTTE) §
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CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, December 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Meeting Room, 1604 Sweetwater Avenue. A notice of meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on December 13, 2012. The notice stated the date, hour and place of the meeting, that the meeting was open to the public, and that an agenda of the meeting, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk in City Hall; provided the Council could modify the agenda at the meeting if it determined an emergency so required. A similar notice, together with a copy of the agenda, also had been delivered to each of the City Council Members. An agenda, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours from the publication of the notice to the time of the meeting.

Mayor Feldges opened the December 20, 2012 Regular Meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Feldges, Council Members Benzel, Lewis, Yeager and Seiler. Also present were City Manager Cox, City Attorney Olsen, and City Clerk Jines.

- Mayor Feldges read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- Introduction of new City of Alliance employees Christyne Schultz and Shelbi Matthews, was the first item to come before the Council.
- The next item on the Council's agenda was the Consent Calendar. Councilman Benzel made a motion, which was seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR – DECEMBER 20, 2012

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, December 6, 2012.
2. Approval: Payroll and Employer Taxes for the period November 24, 2012 through December 7, 2012 inclusive: \$168,904.10 and \$11,915.50 respectively.

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3. Approval: Claims against the following funds for the period November 29, 2012 through December 13, 2012: General, General Debt Service, Trust and Agency, Street, Electric, Refuse Collection and Disposal, Sanitary Sewer, Water, Golf Course, Downtown Improvement Districts, R.S.V.P., Keno, and Capital Improvement; \$206,851.18.
4. Authorization: For the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Compliance stating that the City of Alliance has performed snow removal and/or surface maintenance during 2012 as required in Maintenance Agreement No. 3 with the Nebraska Department of Roads.
5. Approval: The issuance of a Limited & Specialty Contactor license to Nick Hubbell dba Hubbell Masonry.
6. Approval: The issuance of a Cemetery Certificate to Janine C. Haines the West One Half (W1/2) of Lot Thirty-three (33), Section Nine (9), Block Twenty (20), Third Addition to the Alliance Cemetery.
7. Approval and Authorization: To waive the ninety (90) day notice to release Box Butte County from the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for zoning and subdivision services dated April 8, 2010 with the City of Alliance. The termination of the MOU will be effective January 1, 2013.

NOTE: City Manager Cox has reviewed these expenditures and to the best of his knowledge confirms that they are within budgeted appropriations to this point in the fiscal year.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Benzel, Lewis, Feldges, Yeager, Seiler.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Presentations were presented to Council by Friends of Carhenge.
- City Manager Cox provided his report which follows in outline form:
- Board Appointment was the next item before the City Council.

A motion was made by Councilman Yeager, which was seconded by Councilman Lewis to appoint Joni Merrigan to the Alliance Library Board for a term which will expire June 30, 2016.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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Voting Aye: Yeager, Lewis, Benzel, Seiler, Feldges.

Voting Nay: None.

- The final item before Council was the performance evaluation of City Manager Cox. Councilman Lewis moved pursuant to Section 84-1410 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska 1943, that the Alliance City Council hold a closed session for the purpose of the job performance evaluation of City Manager Cox; and that the Council finds the closed session is necessary to prevent needless injury to the reputation of City Manager Cox, and he has not requested a public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Benzel.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Feldges, Seiler, Yeager, Benzel, Lewis.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Along with Council members, City Clerk Jines and City Clerk Cox were invited to stay for the closed session which began at x:xx p.m. The closed session ended at x:xx p.m.

- Mayor Feldges stated, “there being no further business to come before the Alliance City Council, the meeting is adjourned at x:xx p.m.”

(SEAL)

Fred Feldges, Mayor

Linda S. Jines, City Clerk