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ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015

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 COUNTY OF BOX BUTTE) §
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 CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, February 17, 2015 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 February 10, 2015. 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 Yeager opened the February 17, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Yeager, Council Members Feldges, Jones, Seiler, and Korber-Gonzalez. Also present were City Manager Cox, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Waggener, City Attorney Olsen and City Clerk Jines.

- Mayor Yeager read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- The Consent Calendar was the first item to be addressed by Council.

Councilman Feldges made a motion, which was seconded by Councilman Seiler to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR – FEBRUARY 17, 2015

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 3, 2015.
2. Approval: Payroll and Employer Taxes for the period January 17, 2015 through January 30, 2015 inclusive: \$168,408.88 and \$11,874.97 respectively.
3. Approval: Claims against all funds of the City of Alliance for the period January 27, 2015 through February 10, 2015 in the amount of \$263,056.69.

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4. Approval: The issuance of the following Cemetery Certificate to Joseph P. Collins the West Half (W1/2) Lot Twenty-one (21), Section Nine (9), Block Twenty (20), Third Addition to the Alliance Cemetery.
5. Approval: The following contractor licenses:

Repair & Maintenance	Betty Burton dba B & D Rentals, Inc.
	Taryn Wood dba TW Home Specialties
6. Approval: Resolution No. 15-10 will authorize the continuance of the Piano on the Plains Program within our Parks system.
7. Ratification: The annual appointments of the Mayor, Vice-Mayor, Police Chief, and City Manager to the Board of Health as stipulated in State Statute (16-238) and the Alliance Municipal Code (20-1). Staff is continuing to pursue the recruitment of a medical professional to also serve on this Board.
8. Approval: The revised Schedule of Rates and Charges for Service Schedule M (Bulk Power Participants) of the Electrical Resources Pooling Agreement (ERPA) effective April 1, 2015.

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: Feldges, Seiler, Korber-Gonzalez, Jones, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- City Manager Cox gave his City Manager's Report which follows in outline form:
 1. Airline Recruitment:
 - Interviewed last week: Gem Air & Boutique Air
 - Friday: Via Air & Great Lakes
 - Options – not perfect, strive for best; TSA; baggage agreements; reliability; price; comfort
 2. Sheriff's Office: No longer providing SRO services
 3. Webpage – making improvements
 4. 10th Street Property Acquisition: Continuing to work on right of ways
 5. Recycling: Continues to be activity; KAB in search of a home
 6. Public Transportation: Continues to be discussion surrounding concern about lack of Friday srvc
 7. Golf Course Water Main Project – Nearing completions

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8. Electric Dept: Electric Supt & Electric Lineman – First review scheduled end of next week
9. Streetscape II – Previous reported Back on schedule
 - May 21: Bid Opening
 - July 20: Construction (After Heritage Days)
10. Meeting scheduled for Thursday 2/19.

Upcoming Council:

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- Electric Rates: Knew approx
 - Previously projected: Two back-to-back years of 16% each
 - Actual: one-time overall avg of 9% increase coming; following years at 1%
 - Will be able to offset \$0.01 PCA
- Policy Items:
 - Electric New Service Extension Policy
 - Updated policy: Use of City facilities
 - Audit – Terry Gallaway from Almquist, Maltzahn, Galloway & Luth
 - Vehicle Purchases
 - Airline Selection;

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- Traffic Control/Stop Signs
- Revisit Dozer
- Dumpster Replacements

Upcoming Calendar:

- Feb 24-25: LNM MidWinter Conference
 - Information in MyBoard Packets
 - Please let me know about transportation
- 2/26 @ 7am @ Museum: Joint City-County Meeting

- Council next conducted a public hearing and reviewed Resolution No. 15-11 which will approve the One and Six Year Plans and authorize submittal to the State of Nebraska Board of Public Roads, Classifications and Standards. Council was provided with the following information:

[The City is required to prepare and submit an annual street plan to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads no later than March 1 for the previous calendar year. The Planning Commission at its February 10th meeting reviewed and approved recommending the attached proposed One and Six Year Street Program to Council. The report was prepared by M.C. Schaff & Associates of Scottsbluff, NE as our certified streets superintendent. The attached map identifies the projects in the proposed report.

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The following ten projects are included in the One Year Program:

Project No	Street	Cross Streets	Material	Miles	Est. Costs
M-108(158)	Emerson Avenue	25 th to 31 st Street	Asphalt	0.3	\$200,000
M-108(159)	Tenth Street	Box Butte to Flack Avenue	Concrete	1.1	\$2,677,500
M-108(163)	Box Butte Avenue	3 rd to 5 th Street	Concrete	0.1	\$723,000
M-108(167)	Eighteenth Street	Colorado to Big Horn Avenue (west 200 ft)	Asphalt	0.3	\$100,000
M-108(173)	18 th Terrace Place		Asphalt	0.1	\$50,000
M-108(174)	Black Hills Court	Cul-de-sac	Asphalt	0.1	\$50,000
M-108(175)	Platte Avenue	16 th Street to 18 th Street	Asphalt	0.1	\$50,000
M-108(176)	West 3 rd Street	150 ft. east & west of Railroad Underpass	Asphalt	0.1	\$40,000
M-108(177)	East 3 rd Street	Flack Avenue to Elkhorn Avenue	Asphalt	0.3	\$120,000
M-108(178)	18 th St. & Box Butte	Intersection	Concrete	N/A	\$150,000

The following four programs appear in the Six Year Program:

Project No	Street	Cross Streets	Material	Miles	Est. Costs
M-108(168)	Sixteenth Street	Buchfinch to Platte Avenue	Concrete	0.3	\$1,000,000
M-108(164)	Sweetwater Avenue	18 th to 25 th Street	Concrete	0.5	\$1,200,000
M-108(166)	Third Street	Howard to Elkhorn Avenue (with NDOR)	Concrete	1.5	\$1,357,000
M-108(115)	West Third Street	Black Hills to Howard Avenue (underpass with NDOR and BNSF)	Concrete Asphalt	0.3	\$5,443,000

The recap also includes reference to the completion of the following four programs over the past year:

Project No	Street	Cross Streets	Material	Miles
M-108(169)	Ninth Street Eighth Street Niobrara Avenue	Niobrara Avenue (east 150 ft) Niobrara (west 250 ft) to Sweetwater Avenue 8 th Street (south 150 ft)	Concrete	0.3
M-108(170)	Fourteenth Street	Cheyenne Avenue Intersection	Concrete	0.1
M-108(171)	Twelfth Street	Yellowstone Avenue Intersection	Concrete	0.1
M-108(172)	Fourth Street	Platte Avenue (west 220 ft)	Concrete	0.1

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Mayor Yeager stated “now is the date, time, and place to conduct a Public Hearing to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of the taxpayers relating to the approval of the One and Six Year Plans and authorize submittal to the State of Nebraska Board of Public Roads, Classifications and Standards and opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Public Works Director Perry explained to Council that a great deal of asphalt projects were moved to the One Year Plan and we are expecting an asphalt batch plant to be located in the area which will hopefully provide cost savings to allow additional work to be completed.

Council questioned the placement of 18th Street on the Plan and asked if it would not be better to include 16th Street as it appears to be in worse condition. Public Works Director Perry indicated he would review the condition of 16th Street. Council also requested in future years that historical data be included along with the report which outlined projects removed from the plan and/or plan deviations.

Hearing no further testimony, the Public Hearing closed at 7:17 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilman Seiler, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve Resolution No. 15-11, which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-11

WHEREAS, The Nebraska law requires that the City of Alliance develop and file with the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, a long range six year plan of highway, road and street improvements; and

WHEREAS, Such plan must be extended annually on or before the anniversary date; and

WHEREAS, City staff has prepared a One and Six Year Plan to meet these legal requirements; and

WHEREAS, The City published and held a public hearing on February 17, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The plan was submitted to Council and examined by the City Council at a regular meeting conducted on February 17, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Council believes the plan is appropriate and should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the One and Six Year City Street Improvement Plan prepared by the City of Alliance Department of Public Works is hereby approved and the City staff is authorized to forward the Plan to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards.

Voting Aye: Feldges, Seiler, Jones, Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

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Motion carried.

- The next item before Council was Resolution No. 15-02, which will approve Change Order No. 1 to the 105 Big Horn Avenue Building Demolition Contract with K.L. Wood and Company, LLC. Council was provided with the following information:

Narrative Update

This matter was tabled at the January 6, 2015 Council meeting in order to allow the City's attorney to review the bid documents and contract to determine whether the contractor had any obligation to review the building plans at the time of bidding.

The City Manager and Fire Chief met with K.L. Wood and Co. representatives on two separate occasions since Council tabled the change-order matter. The Fire Chief and Community Development Director reviewed drawings that the City has on hand of the 105 Big Horn building and site. The drawings, which date from 1929 to approximately 1931, are not complete drawings. It is the opinion of Staff that the plans that the City has on hand would have not been of any value to the contractors who provided bids for demolition services. The Community Development Director's opinion is included.

With the change order request of \$19,300, the total demolition costs payable to K.L. Wood and Co. would be \$65,559.30. K.L. Wood has proposed to the City Manager a \$3,200 discount if the City Public Works Department could assist. Approximately \$2,800 in hauling of fill dirt and \$500 in termination of water service. The City Manager has met with the Public Works Director and both believe it would cost more to the City in hourly costs and manpower than the discount proposed by K.L. Wood.

Below is a recap of the original bids placed for 123 Box Butte and 105 Big Horn. Note that at that time bids were also received for 100 Big Horn, but a decision to move forward with 123 Box Butte and 105 Big Horn was made at the time. Even with the change order, KL Wood would still have been the low bidder.

	TDS Collection Service, Inc	Paul Reed Construction	GEM Ltd	Tiger Crane dba Wayne Simpson	KL Wood & Co LLC
123 Box Butte	\$ 86,662	\$ 57,920	\$ 51,500	\$ 87,200	\$ 29,437
105 Big Horn	\$ 153,963	\$ 57,179	\$ 105,000	X	\$ 46,259
Original Bid	\$ 240,625	\$ 115,099	\$ 156,500	\$ 87,200	\$ 75,696
Change Order	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,300
Revised Total	\$ 240,625	\$ 115,099	\$ 156,500	X	\$ 94,996

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Additional landfill billings were processed subsequent to the January 6 report and the present amount due is \$58,320.02. This will increase the necessary transfer from contingency with up to \$50,000 being requested as part of the resolution.

Previously Provided Information

The City of Alliance awarded K.L. Wood & Co., LLC two demolition projects at the April 1, 2014 Council meeting. The first project was 123 Box Butte Avenue (the former Toad's Building) which was completed and billed to the landowner prior to the end of last fiscal year. The second project is at 105 Big Horn Avenue which is the former Parks Department Building.

K.L. Wood & Co. has demolished the former Parks building and while clearing the debris and starting the removal of the foundation came across a previously unknown cavern/space approximately 106' long, 12' wide and 10' deep. Fire Chief Troy Shoemaker was notified in early December and a site visit was conducted by Chief Shoemaker along with KL Wood representative Lyle Wood during which photographs were taken. Following the on-site visit, a meeting was held on December 4th with City Staff and K.L. Wood & Co. representatives to recap the project to-date and discuss the options available to complete the demolition.

At the time of the project approval, landfill charges were predicted to be in an amount similar to the cost of the demolition itself. Actual costs of the 105 Big Horn project prior to discovery of the cavern are \$46,259.30 (paid from prior fiscal year) to K.L. Wood & Co. for demolition and landfill billings of \$49,142.29 (paid from the current year fiscal year budget of \$50,000).

K.L. Wood & Co. has prepared a change order to complete the project with two options for Council to consider. Option 1 is complete removal of the entire cavern for a cost of \$19,300. Option 2 is to remove the ceiling and walls down to 5' or 6' below grade with a cost savings of \$3,250 for a change order of \$16,050. Kenny Wood has estimated an additional 330 tons of debris for the landfill at an estimated cost of just over \$17,000.

Staff's recommendation was for Council to approve Option 1 in the amount of \$19,300, as the approach was more in keeping with the initial intent of the demolition specifications and the City's normal operating standard of total removal of the foundation. Additional landfill fees would be incurred by the City to complete the project. Budget authority for the demolition costs would be required from Council Contingency (01-10-10-47-791) with a transfer of up to \$40,000 included in the resolution.

As of this date, Council has not authorized the use of any Contingency Funds which total \$161,000. Within the \$161,000, \$36,000 was earmarked for a police

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cruiser replacement, should it become necessary, and \$25,000 for the development of an Emergency Operations Center, leaving \$100,000 for discretionary needs.

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Seiler to approve Resolution No. 15-02, which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-02

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance awarded a Contract to K.L. Wood & Company, LLC for the demolition of a declared nuisance property located at 105 Big Horn Avenue; and

WHEREAS, K. L. Wood & Company, LLC was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$46,259.30; and

WHEREAS, Landfill fees for the demolition of the building were intentionally not included in the Invitation to Bid and are paid directly to the Refuse Disposal Fund by the City; and

WHEREAS, In the process of clearing the debris and starting the removal of the foundation on this property an existing cavern/space approximately 106' long, 12' wide and 10' deep was discovered; and

WHEREAS, The additional cost to correctly complete the removal of the foundation by K.L. Wood & Company, LLC will be \$19,300; and

WHEREAS, K.L. Wood & Company, LLC has submitted Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$19,300 for the removal of the foundation; and

WHEREAS, Additional Landfill expenses are anticipated up to \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, Funding for these additional expenses are being requested from the City Council Contingency Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that Change Order No. 1 to the K.L. Wood & Company, LLC Contract in the amount of \$19,300 for the proper removal of the foundation at 105 Big Horn Avenue be approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the use of City Council's Contingency Funds (01-10-10-47-791) for Change Order No. 1 to the K.L. Wood & Company, LLC in the amount of \$19,300 be approved and the actual landfill expenses associated with the removal of the existing cavern/space approximately 106' long, 12' wide and 10' deep at the 105 Big Horn Avenue property is hereby authorized in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the actual landfill expenses associated with the demolition will be recorded and reported back to Council.

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Community Development Director Kusek addressed Council and described the mapping conflicts which were discovered.

Mr. Ken Wood, 2651 CR 51 also informed Council that the drawings did not reflect the cavern accurately and that for future projects he would like our bid packet to include a statement if drawings are available which relate to the project.

Voting Aye: Feldges, Seiler, Jones, Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Council was next presented with two Resolutions for approval. Resolution Nos. 15-12 and 15-13 will formalize the best practices to protect the City’s financial assets by designating safeguards which stipulate the authority of City Officers for financial transactions. Council was provided with the following information:

[There are two resolutions included for Council consideration which deal with banking authorities and payment practices.

Financial Institutions request entity resolutions on a periodic basis, especially at the time of changes in signing authority or opening of new accounts. Staff could find no recent action by Council establishing authority in regard to the various financial activities. Resolution No. 15-12 provides a framework of authority for the Mayor, Clerk and Treasurer (by position title), clear direction for Staff and the City’s Financial Institutions and greater segregation of duties and increased internal controls. In most cases, this action simply memorializes current practices.

The following chart summarizes the authorities included in the resolution.

Function *	Mayor	Clerk	Treasurer	Capacity
Open Deposit Accounts (In the City Name, Only)	x	x	x	Individually
Close Any Deposit Accounts by Transfer to Another City Account	x	x	x	Individually
Purchase Official Check to Third-Party	x	x		Jointly
Execute Electronic Transfer Agreements for Withdrawals	x			Solely
Execute Electronic Transfer Instructions for Deposits		x	x	Individually
Execute Wire Transfer Agreements	x			Solely
Originate Wire Transfers to Third Parties	x	x		Jointly
Sign Checks, Warrants and Orders for Payment (by Facsimile)	x	x		Jointly
Execute Pledging Agreements	x			Solely
Release Pledged Securities Held as Collateral		x		Solely
Endorse a Negotiable Instrument for Cash				Forbidden
Initiate Collection Efforts on Negotiable Instruments		x	x	Individually

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Execute a Lock Box or Safe Deposit Box Agreement (With Resolution)	x			Solely
Access an Established Safe Deposit Box	x	x	x	Any Two
Execute or Update Night Depository Agreement		x	x	Jointly
Sign Documents to Obtain Loans or Credit Plans (With Resolution)	x			Solely
Order Credit or Debit Cards (Within Policy and With Joint Approval)			x	Individually

* These powers are limited in the resolution and in the legal documents.

The resolution also outlines the major “trade names” used by the City, in the rare instance a check is made payable to one of the trade names. This also specifies that accounts are opened only in the name of the “City of Alliance” and not in the trade names.

The resolution authorizes use of facsimile signatures on checks and warrants, as has been the practice of the City for a number of years. Checks are issued only on the general operating, payroll and meter deposit accounts.

Resolution No. 15-13 is an updated version of a resolution adopted by Council on November 10, 2008. This will authorize the payment of invoices or payroll transactions by hand check or electronic transfer prior to Council approval of the claims listing in cases where penalties could be assessed or where payment must otherwise be expedited. Council approval has been previously granted through the budget process, contract approval or payroll practice authorities.]

A motion was made by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Feldges to approve Resolution No. 15-12, which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-12

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance, Nebraska maintains bank accounts with several financial institutions which have been approved by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance also conducts business and other activities under the trade or fictitious names of Alliance Library and Learning Center, Alliance Municipal Airport, Big Blue Bay, Carhenge, Knight Museum and Sandhills Center, Sallows Military Museum, Skyview Golf Course, various parks including Central, Bower, Laing Lake and Wiggley Field and ballfields including Bower-Shankland, Burlington, Hall Murray and Sudman; and

WHEREAS, The Council desires to formalize the best practices to protect the City’s financial assets by designating safeguards which stipulate the authority of the Officers representing the City for financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, The City has adopted facsimile signatures which are valid only on checks or warrants drawn against the City’s general operating, payroll and meter deposit checking accounts. Financial Institution may rely on those facsimile signatures that resemble the specimens the City periodically files with Financial Institution, regardless of by whom or by

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what means the signatures were affixed, which will remain in effect until written notice of revocation is received from the City of Alliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, authorizes and directs the designated Officers of the City to act, as indicated below, on the City's behalf to:

- The Mayor, Clerk or Treasurer may individually open any deposit accounts in the City's name, including, without limitation, accounts such as checking (demand deposit or NOW account), money market deposit account (MMDA), savings, certificates of deposit accounts and repurchase agreements. Signatures of all three Officers will appear on the Financial Institution's account records as authorized signers for withdrawal of funds.
- The Mayor, Clerk or Treasurer individually may close any deposit account with the stipulation that payment be made via transfer to another account of the City or in the form of an intrabank transfer or cashiers check, official check or money order made payable to the City.
- The Mayor and Clerk may jointly purchase a cashiers check, official check or money order payable to a third-party via a direct charge to the City's general operating account.
- Only the Mayor may execute any preauthorized electronic transfer agreements for automatic withdrawals from the City's accounts.
- The Treasurer or Clerk may individually enter into and execute any preauthorized electronic transfer agreements for automatic deposits into the City's accounts.
- Only the Mayor may execute commercial wire transfer agreements that authorize transfers by telephone, computer or other communication systems through the network chosen by Financial Institution.
- The Mayor and Clerk may jointly originate wire transfers to third parties.
- The Mayor and Clerk must jointly sign checks, warrants or orders for the payment of money to third parties from transaction accounts on deposit with the Financial Institution. Checks and warrants are authorized only on the general operating, payroll and meter deposit checking accounts. Authorized signatures are allowed by facsimile signatures.
- Only the Mayor may execute pledging agreements required by the Financial Institution to secure deposits of the City.
- Only the Clerk may release pledged securities of the Financial Institution held as collateral for deposited funds.
- *No Officer of the City may endorse any instrument payable to the City in exchange for cash.*
- The Treasurer or Clerk individually may initiate any bank collection efforts on behalf of the City.
- Only the Mayor may execute a lock box agreement or a safe deposit box lease agreement and only with a current specific resolution of the Council. Any two of the three Officers may jointly access a safe deposit box leased from a Financial Institution.
- The Treasurer and Clerk jointly may sign new or updated night depository agreements with the Financial Institution. City staff listed on the night depository agreement will be Finance Department personnel designated by the Treasurer as deemed appropriate.
- Only the Mayor may sign documents required to borrow money or obtain other term credit or financial accommodations (including purchasing cards) from the Financial Institution on behalf of and in the name of the City on the terms agreed to with the Financial Institution.

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The terms of the borrowing must be approved in advance by the Council by current specific resolution. *Security interests are allowed only in the equipment being financed.*

- The Treasurer may order debit, credit or purchasing cards from the Financial Institution in the names of individual employees of the City at the direction of the City Manager and Department Head. *No debit, credit cards or purchasing cards are authorized in the name of the Treasurer.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The City has adopted facsimile signatures which are valid only on checks or warrants drawn against the City's general operating, payroll and meter deposit checking accounts. Financial Institution may rely on those facsimile signatures that resemble the specimens the City periodically files with Financial Institution, regardless of by whom or by what means the signatures were affixed, which will remain in effect until written notice of revocation is received by the City of Alliance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Mayor is authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Alliance, Agreements with the Financial Institutions which outline the above stipulations.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Feldges, Seiler, Jones, Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez, seconded by Councilman Feldges to approve Resolution No. 15-13, which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-13

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance holds regular meetings of the Alliance City Council semi monthly; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance receives claims from vendors for services, supplies and other things of value; and

WHEREAS, As a result of timing issues between the City of Alliance Council Meetings and the billing cycle of the vendors, the City is charged additional fees; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance desires to eliminate the payment of service fees to vendors as a result of the schedule of the Alliance City Council Meeting and the vendor's billing cycle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the Finance Director or their designee is authorized to prepay any bill that a

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finance charge or additional fee, may be incurred, and the expense has been properly included in the budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that prior to payment, the bill must be approved by the City Manager and the Financial Director or their designees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following vendors are specifically included in the authorization, to wit: Nebraska Department of Revenue, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, Regional Care, Inc., First Bank Card, First National Bank of Omaha, U.S. Treasury, First National Bank of Fremont and City of Alliance (utilities).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following payments will be included in the authorization utilizing Automated Clearing House (ACH) Electronic Fund Transfers: Deluxe Business Products, Payment Services Network (PSN), TSYs Merchant Solutions, Principal, ICMA, Core Bank and employee salaries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bill that is paid prior to Council's approval shall be submitted to the Alliance City Council at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Feldges, Seiler, Jones, Korber-Gonzalez, Yeager.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The final agenda item was a board appointment and board vacancy announcements.

Councilman Jones announced that the City of Alliance has the following current openings: one vacancy on the A-1 Downtown Improvement Board, two vacancies on the Planning Commission and a Hispanic Representative on the Police Advisory Board. There are also two youth ex-officio positions on the Library Board. Anyone interested in serving on these Boards should contact the City Clerk's Office. Information on all of the City Boards is also available on our web site, www.cityofalliance.net.

A motion was made by Councilman Feldges, seconded by Councilman Seiler to appoint Susan Unzicker to the A-2 Downtown Improvement District with a term to expire October 31, 2017.

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Feldges, Jones, Yeager, Seiler, Korber-Gonzalez.

Voting Nay: None.

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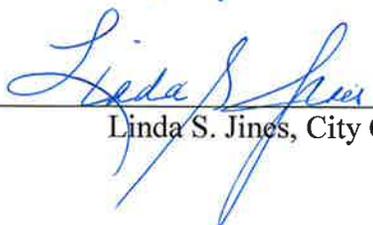
Motion carried.

- Mayor Yeager stated, "there being no further business to come before the Alliance City Council, the meeting is adjourned at 7:46 p.m."



Ralph Yeager, Mayor

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Linda S. Jines, City Clerk