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ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
School Board Meeting Room  
1604 Sweetwater Avenue  
March 17, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.  
AGENDA

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **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. Proclamations**

International Womens Day – March 17, 2015  
National Agriculture Week – March 15 – 21, 2015

**B. Consent Calendar**

Approval of Minutes, Payroll and Claims  
Contractor Licenses Issuance  
Century Link Agreement  
Electric Inventory Purchase  
Friends of RSVP United Way Grant Applications on Behalf of City for the Community Match for the Handyman and RSVP Programs

**C. Conflict Claims**

The following claims from Council Members are for mileage reimbursement to attend the Nebraska Municipal League's Midwinter Conference in Lincoln, NE February 23-24, 2015.

\$460 – Councilman Feldges  
\$460 – Councilman Jones  
\$446 – Vice Mayor Seiler

**D. City Manager's Report**

**E. Ordinance No. 2770 –First Reading**

**Municipal Code Amendment – Downtown Improvement Funding Uses**

Ordinance No. 2770 will amend the Alliance Municipal Code with regard to the A-1 and A-2 Downtown Improvement Board's ability to expend their funds and will now make direct reference to the Nebraska State Statute authorization.

**Resolution No. 15-19 – Authorization for Use of Downtown Improvement Funds**

This resolution will authorize the expenditure of \$5,000 from the Downtown Improvement Districts' funds for participation in the Annie Creek Productions Summer Concert Series.

† Added by addendum to agenda 24 hours prior to the meeting

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**F. Ordinance No. 2771 – First Reading  
Classification Plan Update**

Ordinance No. 2771 is before Council on first reading and will amend the City of Alliance's Classification Plan to add an Account Clerk I position.

**Resolution No. 15-20 – Authorized Strength Amendment**

Resolution No. 15-20 will modify the 2014-15 Authorized Strength authorization by removing one full time position which was previously split between two divisions within the Finance Department. The new Authorized Strength authorization will add a 25 hour per week part-time employee in the Utility Office and a 20 hour per week part-time employee in the Accounting Office.

**G. Ordinance No. 2768 – Second Reading  
Municipal Code Amendment/Zoning Change – Allowing Churches in Rural Residential Districts**

Ordinance No. 2768 is before Council for second reading and is requesting an amendment to the Alliance Municipal Code regarding Rural Residential (RR) Zoning Districts. The amendment if approved, would allow for the inclusion of publicly owned and operated community buildings, public museums, public libraries and churches as permitted uses within the zoning classification. The Alliance Planning Commission has considered this matter and has recommended approval to the Council.

**H. Ordinance No. 2769 – Second Reading  
Electric Rates**

Ordinance No. 2769 is before Council on second reading and will approve electric rate revisions. The Ordinance will incorporate the rates that were recommended by our rate consultant, Mr. Phil Euler, Manager of Engineering with Nebraska Municipal Power Pool (NMPP). The proposal provides for two adjustments the first being effective May 1, 2015; the second effective April 1, 2016.

**I. Resolution No. 15-21 – Ambulance Rates**

Resolution No. 15-21 is before Council and proposes a rate increase which will bring our rates to the same level as the Alliance Rural Fire Protection District. These rates are within the usual and customary rate for our geographical area which is accepted by Medicare and Medicaid. The last rate increase for ambulance services was in 2010.

**J. Resolution No. 15-22 – Multi-Department Cargo Van Purchase**

This resolution will authorize the purchase of a 2015 Ford Transit Van in the amount of \$22,006 utilizing the State of Nebraska Contract Bid List for the Community Development and MIS/GIS Departments.

**K. Resolution No. 15-23 – Airport Contingency Fund Authorization**

Resolution No. 15-23 will authorize the use of Airport Contingency Funds in the amount of \$5,000 for the repair of the 2003 International Kodiak Northwester Snow Blower at the Alliance Municipal Airport.

**L. Board Vacancies and Appointments**

The City of Alliance has the following openings at this time: one vacancy on the A-1 Downtown Improvement Board, one vacancy on the Planning Commission, a Hispanic representative on the Police Advisory Board, and an opening on the Senior Center Advisory. 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](http://www.cityofalliance.net).

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The City of Alliance has received two applications for one vacancy on the Senior Facility Advisory Board which term will expire February 28, 2018. Applications were received from Peter A. Taylor and Rachel A. Lewis which have been included within your packet. As this is a Council appointment I have prepared ballots for your use should you desire to use that method of selection or a simple motion may be made if that is Council's preference.

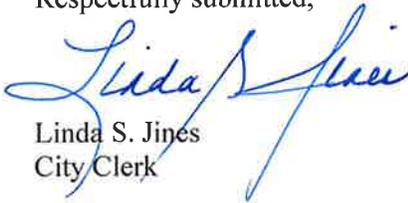
**M. Recap Actions**

**N. Closed Session - Litigation**

Pursuant to Section 84-1410 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska 1943, that Council finds it necessary to enter into a closed session to discuss a litigation matter.

▪ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,



Linda S. Jines  
City Clerk

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