

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
School Board Meeting Room  
1604 Sweetwater Avenue  
January 8, 2009 - 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. Request of Larry Steele**

Mr. Larry Steele has requested time to appear before Council to propose a mandatory helmet rule for all-terrain vehicles. Mr. Steele is a Registered Nurse at Box Butte General Hospital and is making the proposal as part of the Trauma Prevention Team.

**C. Ordinance No. 2635 – Third Reading  
Municipal Code Amendment – Towing Charges**

Ordinance No. 2635 is before Council for third reading. This ordinance has been prepared to update the Alliance Municipal Code at the request of Police Chief Kiss. The proposed amendment will modify Chapter 3, Article 7, Section 709 with regard to the removal of stalled or parked vehicles. The current language provides an established fee for towing and storage which is outdated.

**D. Resolution No. 09-02 – Nebraska Dept. of Roads Maintenance Agreement No. 3**

Resolution No. 09-02 will authorize staff to sign the appropriate documents to certify compliance with and renew Maintenance Agreement No. 3 between the City and the State of Nebraska Department of Roads. The State has amended the Agreement with a new Exhibit B which increases the reimbursement rate to \$1,575.00 (formerly \$1,260.00) per lane mile for the maintenance of 9.14 lane miles of state highway within the corporate limits. A copy of the Agreement has been included for Council's review.

**E. Resolution No. 09-03 – Box Butte General Hospital Tower Agreement**

This resolution will authorize the City of Alliance to enter into an Agreement with Box Butte General Hospital for the use of the tower to house four antennas for radio communications. There are no fees related to this Agreement. The Alliance Fire, Police and Utility Departments utilize the four antennas on the tower.

**F. Resolution No. 09-04 – Council Representative Appointments**

Resolution No. 09-04 names the following Council Members as representatives on governing and advisory boards for organizations related to City government:

Dan Kusek to the American Public Power Association and the Public Alliance for Community Energy Board;

Lori Rowley to the E-911 Board;  
Fred Feldges to the Panhandle Area Development District;  
Trent Benzel to the Panhandle Rural Conservation and Development Board; and  
Ralph Yeager as the Alternate on the Panhandle Rural Conservation and Development Board.

**G. Resolution No. 09-05 – Depository Agreement**

The City of Alliance has received requests from Bank of the West, First National Bank, and Wells Fargo Bank of Alliance, NE to be depositories for the City of Alliance. Resolution No. 09-05 will approve these institutions as the City's authorized depositories.

**H. Resolution No. 09-06 - Amendment to Personnel Policy - Leave Without Pay**

Resolution No. 09-06 will authorize an amendment to the City of Alliance Personnel Policies at Section 7.04 Leave Without Pay Outside of FMLA Provisions. The amendment will allow for the City Manager to grant an extended period of time (an additional six weeks) to an employee with the City Council's authorization. A copy of the policy has been included in the Council's packet and reflects the changes to the current policy using the highlighting and strike-out method.

**I. Fourth Quarter Financial Report**

Finance Director King has prepared the Fourth Quarter Financial Report for Council's review and approval.

**J. Board Appointment**

The City of Alliance has received notice from Marina Girard that she would like to be reappointed to the Police Citizen Advisory Board as the Hispanic representative for an additional two year term which will expire December, 2010.

Karen Boysen has also indicated an interest to be reappointed to the Alliance Housing Authority. Housing Authority terms are five years in duration with her new appointment to end in December, 2013.

The Board of Adjustment has a term expiring which Lyn Finlayson would like to be reappointed. This is a three year term which will expire December 31, 2011.

Pat Zobel has submitted her resignation from the Alliance Housing Authority. Ms. Zobel's term was scheduled to end December 31, 2009.

An updated Board listing is attached for Council's review.

**K. Establish a Date for a Goal Setting Session**

Staff is recommending the City Council establish Thursday, January 29, 2009 as a date to conduct an all day Goal Setting Session. In case of bad weather, we would like the alternate date to be Thursday, February 12, 2009.

▪ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines  
City Clerk

⊕ Items added to the agenda 24 hours prior to the meeting.