

ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016

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 CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, May 3, 2016 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 April 26, 2016. 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 May 3, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Yeager and Council Members Feldges, Jones, Korber-Gonzalez and Seiler. Also present were City Manager Cox, City Attorney Hoelsing and City Clerk Jines.

- Mayor Yeager read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- Council's first order of business was a Proclamation for Public Service Week and the announcement of our youth essay and coloring contest winners.

City of Alliance Supervisor of the Year Earl Winter accepted the following Proclamation from the City Council:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS; Americans are served every single day by public servants at the federal, state, county and city levels. These unsung heroes do the work that keeps our nation and community functioning; and

WHEREAS; Public employees are hired to not only fill a job, but take oaths that they will do it the best they are able; and

WHEREAS; Many public servants, including police officers, firefighters and military personnel, risk their lives each day in service to the public and others commit countless hours to provide basic and leisure services to citizens improving their quality of life and the community; and

WHEREAS; Public servants include accountants and street workers... landfill operators and elected officials . . . librarians and safety inspectors . . . utility and parks workers and countless other occupations. Day in and day out they provide the diverse services needed by the neighbors of this community with efficiency and integrity; and

WHEREAS; These public servants, at every level, provide continuity that would be impossible without them in a democracy and ensures that the quality of life in America, and the City of Alliance, is the best it can be. These public employees are the ones who, with the help and support of every neighbor, work every day to promote our community vision; “Building the Best Hometown in America.”

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, does announce and proclaim to all citizens the week of May 1 – 7, 2016, as

Public Service Recognition Week

And encourages all citizens to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of government employees at all levels — city, county, state and federal and requests that you show your support by thanking them when you interact with them this week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Alliance to be affixed on this 3rd day of May in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Sixteen.

Mayor Yeager announced and presented prizes to the Youth Essay Contest winners and Coloring Contest winners in association with Public Service Week.

Essay Contest Winners:

3rd Grader Jenna Messersmith (9 years old) – Street Worker

3rd Grader Avenell Soriano (9 years old) – Animal Control Officer

3rd Grader Bayleigh McCracken (8 years old) – Librarian

Coloring Contest Winners:

Kindergartner Ava Messersmith (6 years old) – Parks Worker

1st Grader Nyeli Bauer (7 years old) – Dispatcher

2nd Grader Grayson Hawley (8 years old) – Firefighter

1st Grader Brooklyn Apolius – Librarian

1st Grader Mia Gomez (8 years old) – Police Officer

1st Grader Lucy Secrest (7 years old) – EMT

2nd Grader Arianna Rodriguez – Lifeguard

2nd Grader Kenzie Bridge (8 years old) – Lineman

2nd Grader Abrianna Caudell (8 years old) - Firefighter

- The next matter before Council was the Consent Calendar.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR – MAY 3, 2016

1. Approval: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 19, 2016.
2. Approval: Payroll and Employer Taxes for the period April 9, 2016 through April 22, 2016 inclusive: \$175,508.60 and \$12,804.81 respectively.
3. Approval: Claims against the following funds for the period April 12, 2016 through April 26, 2016: 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; \$228,691.08.
4. Approval: A Capital Transfer for the Parks Department in the amount of \$10,000 to purchase a roller which will be used to smooth the infield and outfields at the baseball and softball fields and to smooth fairways at the golf course.
5. Approval: The issuance of the following Contractor Licenses:

General Contractor	Doug Fritzler dba Fritzler Construction Freddie Serda dba L/S Construction
Repair & Maintenance	Carlos Reza dba Reza & G Construction Gabriel Hernandez Gary's Cleaning & Restoration Kevin Kubo
Gas Fitter	Jess Cross dba Northwestern Heating & Cooling Chad Cummings dba Midwestern Mechanical Rapid, Inc.
Master HVAC	Dana Daniels dba Advanced Air Michael Beebe dba Big Mack HVAC Jess Cross dba Northwestern Heating & Cooling
Master Plumber	Brett A. Kaltvedt dba Midwestern Mechanical Rapid, Inc. Levi Reinmuth dba Pipe Works Plumbing LLC

Journeyman Plumber	Chad Cummings dba Midwestern Mechanical Rapid, Inc.
Limited & Specialty	Steve Hessler dba Protex Central Inc.
Sign	Thomas R. Cozad dba Creative Signs by Cozad

6. Acceptance and Approval: The City of Alliance is in receipt of the Certificates of Completion and Release for work done at the Alliance Municipal Airport under Project No. 3-31-0003-017.
7. Approval: *The Special Events Request/Use of Public Facilities Parks, Streets* of the Route 385 Cruisers for their 16th Annual Car Show and Rod Run events on Saturday, June 4, 2016 and Sunday, June 5, 2016. The car show will be held in Central Park and the Club is requesting the street closure of Yellowstone Avenue between 9th and 10th Streets and 9th Street between Yellowstone and Niobrara Avenues. Concessions, t-shirt sales and raffles will also be included during this event. A Certificate of Liability Insurance has been provided.
8. Approval: *The Special Events Request/Use of Public Facilities Parks, Streets* of the Alliance Chamber of Commerce for Heritage Days 2016 scheduled for July 13th through the 17th. This year's requests are similar to last year. Proof of liability insurance is required as part of the authorization. Listings of all of the requests are as follows:

Use of the former Power Plant property on 2nd Street between Big Horn and Toluca Avenues for use by the Frazier Show employees and families to park tents and campers. This will be starting Monday, July 11th through Sunday, July 17th.

Street use restriction, 4th and 5th Street from Laramie Avenue to Niobrara Avenue. Use restricted to emergency and postal vehicles from 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 13, 2016 through Saturday, July 16, 2016 at 12:00 midnight. The closure of 5th Street is contingent upon the ability to make arrangements with the Law Enforcement Center and neighboring businesses on 5th Street for the operation of their services.

Use of City streets for 5k and 10k runs, along the routes shown on the attached map. No closures. Saturday, July 16, 2016.

Closure of involved streets for Heritage Days Annual Parade - 600 Block of Black Hills Avenue, south to Third Street, east to Mississippi Avenue - 9 a.m. July 16, 2016 until completion of parade. The City will be required to complete an Application for Special Event Permit with the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Closure of Box Butte Avenue and exclusive use of parking lot at 4th Street and Niobrara Avenue for Carnival and Vendor area. Box Butte Avenue 300, 400, and 500 Blocks, Lots 1, 2, 3, Block 15, Original Town (the parking lot at 4th Street and Niobrara Avenue.) Closure beginning 12:01 a.m. July 12, 2016 for all except the 300

Block of Box Butte, which will close at 3:00 p.m. on July 12, 2016. Closures extend to undetermined time on Sunday, July 17th.

Closure of the 200 Block of Box Butte Avenue. Closure from Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and Thursday, July 14th from 5:00 p.m. until midnight, Saturday, July 16th.

9. Approval: Resolution No. 16-51 which formally acknowledges that the City of Alliance will accept the duties required by the State of Nebraska to conduct the Heritage Days Parade on 3rd Street which is a designated State Highway. The event will take place on July 16, 2016 beginning at 9:45 a.m. to the conclusion of the parade which will be no later than 12:00 noon. This resolution meets the requirements of the Nebraska Legislature.
10. Approval: The following grazing leases which are on property owned by the Alliance Municipal Airport –

Resolution No. 16-52 – Tract B – Lost Creek Ranch
 Resolution No. 16-53 – Tract C – Vineyard Ranch
 Resolution No. 16-54 – Tract E – Larry Lower
 Resolution No. 16-55 – Tract H – Larry Lower
 Resolution No. 16-56 – Tract I – Justin Shrewsbury
 Resolution No. 16-57 – Tract K – Larry Lower
 Resolution No. 16-58 – Tract T – Richard Robb
 Resolution No. 16-59 – Tract U – Dennis Walker

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.

Any item listed on the Consent Calendar may, by the request of any single Council Member, be considered as a separate item in the Regular Agenda.

Roll call on the Consent Calendar with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- City Manager Cox gave his City Manager's Report which follows in outline form:
 1. Snow Report - Thanks to all those that helped in various ways
 2. Public Service Week - Thanks to all the participants, staff & Carla for organizing
 3. 10th Street
 - Reported last time, bids came in high
 - We have asked NDOR for an extension and for options

4. Heartland Expressway –
 - NDOR/Contractor hoping for May 23 start date
 - Meetings held with utilities here in Alliance
 - City take lead on groundbreaking
 - Working with Heartland Expressway board (Chelsie Herian and Tim Garwood)
 - Contacting Governor and NDOR Director for dates
5. Laing Lake Project
 - Finalizing Drawings & Bid Documents – June 1 Bid Letting
 - 7.15: Bids due
 - 8.2: Bid award
 - 9.?: Construction
6. Repair Heaving of Runway 08/26 – Thursday 8:30-3:00pm
 - Other runways open
7. CRA
 - Scheduling visits to other CRA's – May 16 & 17

• The next agenda item before Council was a request of the Alliance Public Library Foundation in cooperation with the Friends of the Library to donate three metal gazebos and the associated furniture for permanent placement in the rose garden patio of the Library. Council was provided with the following background information:

[The Alliance Public Library Foundation, along with the Alliance Public Library Friends of the Library, has proposed some improvements to the Library's rose garden located on the northeast side of the building.

Currently this area is too hot for patron use during the spring and summer. The Library Foundation would like to purchase three 8'x8' foot gazebos to be placed around the patio to provide shaded areas for reading. These are steel and aluminum hard-top structures that would be permanently anchored to the patio cement and installed by City staff. The value of the donation is approximately \$2,600.

The Friends of the Library would like to purchase furniture that would include a set of two chairs and a table for underneath each gazebo. When finished, these gazebos would provide three separate reading areas for patrons to use during periods of nice weather to enjoy a book for a few hours or a quiet place for a lunch break. Currently the area is very rarely used and both organizations feel this type of environment would be a welcoming change to an underutilized area of the library.

The library staff and members of both the Alliance Public Library Foundation Board and the Alliance Friends of the Library Board are requesting the Alliance City Council's permission to proceed with the changes to the library's rose garden area.]

Carrie Ransom, President of the Alliance Library Foundation and Jonnie Merrigan a Foundation Board Member addressed Council and described the project being proposed. Both thanked the Library staff for their creative ideas and the enhancement of services being provided to library users and the public.

Councilman Jones made a motion to accept the donation of the Alliance Public Library Foundation of three gazebos and associated future for the Library rose garden. The motion was seconded by Councilman Seiler.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The Preliminary Plat for Bomgaars Alliance Subdivision was the next matter before Council. Ordinance No. 2801 has been prepared for Council's consideration and will approve the Preliminary Plat. Council was provided the following background information:

[The City of Alliance is in receipt of an application for a preliminary plat from James Jelinek as the land owner and Dave Meyer representing Bomgaars, the potential future developer. The preliminary plat application is to isolate a 5.434 acre tract of land for the development of a new retail store for Bomgaars. There would also be dedication of a 66' wide frontage road, easement for utilities and drainage and a change in zoning.

The location of the proposed subdivision is in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 48 West of the 6th Principal Meridian. It is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of West 3rd Street, US Highway 385 and Country Club Road.

The property is bordered to the north, west and south, by A (Agriculture) zoning and to the east by C-3 (Highway Commercial) zoning. The land to be platted is zoned A (Agriculture). The zoning of the unplatted lands being platted should be changed from A to C-3 at the same time the Final Plat is approved as retail sales establishments are not permitted uses in the A (Agriculture) zoning district.

The lots to the north, west and south are agricultural in use and the lot to the east is used as a convenience store and fueling station. There aren't any preexisting structures on the proposed lot and there aren't any minimum lot sizes for C-3 zoned lots.

The City of Alliance Planning Commission met at its regular meeting April 12, 2016 and found that the material presented to them was satisfactory. They voted

affirmative on a recommendation to the Alliance City Council for the approval of the Preliminary Plat of Bomgaars Addition to the City of Alliance, Lands in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 48 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Box Butte County, Nebraska.]

A motion was made by Councilman Seiler, which was seconded by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez to adopt Ordinance No. 2801 which will approve the Preliminary Plat of Bomgaars Alliance Subdivision. City Clerk Jines read the ordinance by title, which following in its entirety:

ORDINANCE NO. 2801

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY PLAT OF BOMGAARS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, BOX BUTTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. The City of Alliance has received the application for approval of the Preliminary Plat of Bomgaars Addition to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska; located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 48 West of the 6th P.M. to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska from Bomgaars.

SECTION 2. The Planning Commission held a public hearing April 12, 2016, and has recommended the approval of the Preliminary Plat.

SECTION 3. The Preliminary Plat contains information required by the City Code at Section 113-70, which is relevant to this request.

SECTION 4. The Preliminary Plat of Bomgaars Addition to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska; located in the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 25 North, Range 48 West of the 6th P.M. to the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska, is hereby approved and the subdividers are authorized to proceed with any required public works elements and preparation of a Final Plat.

SECTION 5. This approval shall expire one year from this date unless the Final Plat has been submitted. This approval does not constitute Final Plat approval or guarantee the approval of the subdivision by the City Council or the City Council's authorization to proceed with construction of improvements within the subdivision.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval, passage, and publication according to law.

Terry Curtiss, legal counsel for the landowner, Jim Jelinek requested the Council to waive the statutory requirement of reading the ordinance on three different days. Mr. Curtiss

stated he would like to keep this project moving forward and felt the waiver would assist in that effort.

Community Development Director Kusek informed Council that the Final Plat has been received from Bomgaars and would be going to the Alliance Planning Commission at their next meeting which is scheduled for May 10, 2016. If approved, Council would consider both a rezoning of the property and the Final Plat at their June 7th meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Feldges, which was seconded by Councilman Jones to waive the statutory requirement of the reading of the ordinance on three separate dates.

Roll call vote on the three reading waiver with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Roll call vote on the final reading of Ordinance No. 2801 with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Mayor Yeager stated, “the passage and adoption of Ordinance No. 2801 has been concurred by a majority of all members elected to the Council, I declare it passed, adopted and order it published.”

- The next issue before Council is a Public Hearing on the request of Box Butte Development Corporation for the establishment of an Entertainment District in the 200 block of Box Butte Avenue. Council was provided the following background information:

[On April 19, Council approved the 3rd Reading of Ordinance 2800 authorizing the establishment and rules for conducting an Entertainment District in Alliance. The next step is a Public Hearing and approval of the Entertainment District License for Box Butte Development Corporation, which is the organization making application. There were a number of items Box Butte Development Corporation had to do, and those are now completed and included in the application packet.

To set the stage, there are yet several steps to be taken before all is in place:

Council approve Ordinance 2800 - authorize Entertainment District	Completed	4/29/16
Council conducts Public Hearing for Entertainment Permit Application	Scheduled	5/03/16
Council approve Entertainment Permit Application	Scheduled	5/03/16
Taverns submit Liquor License Applications to Liquor Commission	Pending	5/04/16
Liquor Commission approves Liquor Licenses; notifies City Clerk	Pending	5/10/16
City Council approves Liquor Licenses	Pending	5/17/16
City Council approves street closures and dates	Pending	6/07/16

Fee Schedule:

\$100 Application Fee by BBDC to City	Valid for 6-Year Period
\$100 Permit Fee by BBDC to City	Valid for ea. series of events
\$300 Liquor License by each Tavern to State	Valid annually

Tentative Dates for Bands on the Bricks:

July 1
 July 8
 July 15
 July 22
 July 29
 Aug 5]

Mayor Yeager stated “now is the date, time and place to conduct a Public Hearing on the Entertainment District request of Box Butte Development Corporation. Mayor Yeager opened the Public Hearing at 7:39 p.m.

Holly Heath, Assistant Director of Box Butte Development Corporation and the Historic Main Street Director outlined for Council the fencing which will be utilized to define the boundary of the Entertainment District which will be within the 200 block of Box Butte Avenue.

There being no additional testimony offered Mayor Yeager closed the Public Hearing at 7:41 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Yeager, seconded by Councilman Seiler to approve Resolution No. 16-60 granting a six year license to Box Butte Development Corporation to operate an Entertainment District in the 200 block of Box Butte Avenue. Resolution No. 16-60 follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-60

WHEREAS, The Alliance City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2800 amending the Alliance Municipal Code to include a provision for the establishment of an Entertainment District; and

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance is in receipt of an Application for an Entertainment District from Box Butte Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, The Box Butte Development Corporation has requested an Application to have an Entertainment District in the 200 block of Box Butte Avenue; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance City Council has conducted the required Public Hearing at their regular meeting, May 3, 2016 for an Entertainment District Application from Box Butte Development Corporation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue an Entertainment District Permit for a six-year period to Box Butte Development Corporation for the 200 block of Box Butte Avenue.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The creation of a Recycling Feasibility Study Advisory Committee was the next matter before Council. This temporary Committee will assist the City in preparing the necessary materials to complete the feasibility study. This is being done as a result of a grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Councilman Korber-Gonzalez explained to Council this is a cooperative effort which includes Keep Alliance Beautiful. The principal objective is to lessen the amount of waste that enters the landfill. A potential outcome could be the determination if the implementation of curbside recycling program would be viable.

Councilman Korber-Gonzalez made a motion to approve Resolution No. 16-61. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jones.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-61

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance received and accepted a grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust to conduct a Recycling Collections Feasibility Study; and

WHEREAS, The City Manager desires to establish a Community Recycling Committee to serve as a temporary advisory group to assist the City in gathering information measuring the commitment of the community for expanding and growing recycling operations as well as a “grassroots” investment into the future of waste reduction and recycling collections services in the City of Alliance and Box Butte County; and

WHEREAS, The Community Recycling Committee will consist of five members, four of which shall be residents of the City of Alliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Alliance, Nebraska, that the City Manager is authorized to establish a five member Community Recycling Committee to serve as a temporary ad hoc group to assist the City in gathering information measuring the commitment of the community for expanding and growing recycling operations as well as a “grassroots” investment into the future of waste reduction and recycling collections services in the City of Alliance and Box Butte County.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The Public Transit Passenger Handbook was the next item for Council’s consideration. The Handbook is a requirement of the State of Nebraska and is designed to present clear expectations of passengers and Transit staff, to ensure patrons are treated fairly. Council was presented with the following background information:

[On July 1, 2015, the City of Alliance began operating Public Transit in Box Butte County. In an effort to ensure the effective and safe operation of this service, the City of Alliance staff is recommending the approval of policies and procedures for all passenger guidance.

The implementation of these policies will present clear expectations of passengers and transit staff, as well as detailing actions when policies are not followed. These guidelines will ensure patrons are treated fairly and have a clear understanding of operating procedures.

The policies being proposed were adapted from the current policies of other transit operations being operated statewide.]

Council discussed several items within the Handbook. Under the “Fee Scale” section Council would like to include an Airport Transport at \$5.00 one way. Under the section “Cancellation Policy and No Shows” the phone time was suggested to be changed to 7:00 a.m. instead of 8:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez, which was seconded by Councilman Seiler to amend the Handbook to include within the “Fee Scale” section an Airport Transport at \$5.00 one way and under the section “Cancellation Policy and No Shows” the phone time is to be changed to 7:00 a.m. instead of 8:00 a.m.

Roll call vote on the amendments within the Handbook with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Feldges, seconded by Councilman Korber-Gonzalez to approve Resolution No. 16-62 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 16-62

WHEREAS, The City of Alliance operates the Public Transit Program; and

WHEREAS, The Program is funded in part by Federal funds; and

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require that the Public Transit Program have policies and procedures adopted by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Staff has drafted the Public Transit Passenger Handbook; and

WHEREAS, Council believes that the adoption of the Public Transit Passenger Handbook is in the best interest of the City of Alliance and Public Transit Program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Alliance that the Public Transit Passenger Handbook is adopted as a policy of the City of Alliance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to execute any documents necessary to comply with the federal guidelines pursuant to the adopted policy.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- Council was next presented with the Second Quarter Financial Report and Dashboards by Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Waggener.

Finance Director Waggener provided an overview and highlighted issues that were key financial components and extraordinary items impacting the financial statement within the second quarter. He also compared items to the current budget and previous year budget.

A motion was made by Councilman Feldges, seconded by Councilman Jones to accept the Second Quarter Financial Report as presented.

Roll call vote with the following results:

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

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

Council requested Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Waggener include Airline enplanements and deplanements within the Dashboards in future reports.

- Council next heard the request of D.A. Herman, 204 Potash Avenue to reconsider the City's current regulations prohibiting the parking of vehicles on the curb strip. Council called Ms. Herman at 8:13 p.m. at her request as she has a disability that prevents her from attending the meeting in person. Ms. Herman stated that the communities of Crawford, Gordon, Potter and Harrison currently allow parking on curb strips. She believes allowing individuals to park within the curb strip is a safety enhancement as it keeps vehicles from getting hit that are on narrow streets. She would also like Council to change the name "curb strips" back to "parkade." Council members expressed their thoughts on the issue and the majority of the members were not interested in changing the current ordinance to allow parking within the curb strip. Several Council members expressed the need to provide additional enforcement of current violations which are taking place. Councilman Korber-Gonzalez shared with the Council and staff violations which are currently taking place.
- The next agenda item was the board vacancy announcements.

Council informed the public the City has the following openings at this time: two vacancies on the Board of Adjustment; one vacancy on the A-2 Downtown Improvement Board; one vacancy on the Alliance Housing Authority, two youth ex-officio positions on the Library Board, one vacancy on the Park and Tree Board, and one vacancy on the Planning Commission. Anyone interested in serving on these Boards should contact the City Clerk's Office. The City has also created a new Recycling Feasibility Study Advisory Committee and we are currently accepting applications. Anyone interested in serving on a City Board, should contact the City Clerk's Office. Information on all of the City Boards is also available on our web site, www.cityofalliance.net.

- Mayor Yeager stated, “there being no further business to come before the Alliance City Council, the meeting is adjourned at 8:48 p.m.”

Ralph Yeager, Mayor

(SEAL)

Linda S. Jines, City Clerk