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The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Henderson, Nebraska was held at 7:00 p.m. on September 14, 2021 at City Hall in Henderson, Nebraska. Notice of this meeting was posted at the City Hall and published in the September 9, 2021 *Henderson News*.

Mayor Don Regier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Regier declared the meeting to be legal and properly advertised with all members having been informed of the nature of the meeting and having received related information. Mayor Regier also referred to the open meetings law poster at the back of the council chambers.

Roll call showed the following present: Mayor Don Regier and council members Brian Hiebner, Matt Friesen and Corbin Tessman. Absent: Stan Friesen

Minutes from the August 10, 2021 regular meeting, September 8, 2021 Budget Study and September 14, 2021 Budget Hearing were reviewed. Corbin Tessman made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Matt Friesen seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Corbin Tessman, Matt Friesen and Brian Hiebner. Absent: Stan Friesen. Motion carried.

Brian Hiebner made a motion to pay the claims as presented. Corbin Tessman seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Brian Hiebner, Corbin Tessman and Matt Friesen. Absent: Stan Friesen. Motion carried.

Mayor Don Regier opened the public forum for discussion. Marty Lyons was present to ask if the City could do something about the tree roots that the contractors lifted in his yard during construction. Mike Medinger referenced the planting of grass after construction. No formal action could be taken as it was public forum.

Chief of Police John Prusia gave an update on different ideas for slowing down traffic on 17th Street. Chief Prusia has been patrolling 17th Street with split shifts more frequently this past month. Also discussed were new electronic speed signs, stop signs, moving current speed limit signs, rumble bars, pedestrian signs and asking State Patrol and York County Sheriff to help patrol more often. No formal action taken.

Chief Prusia has been in contact with the City's Attorney Charley Campbell about proceeding with the nuisance ordinance on N Main Street. Mr. Campbell recommended the city council appoint a Board of Health to determine if such properties are deemed a nuisance as this would be the most effective procedure. This will require five members with the Chief of Police being the Secretary/Quarantine Officer, a doctor would be the medical advisor and the mayor would be the chairperson. The clerk was directed to ask a couple more people possibly from the Henderson Chamber and/or the Planning Commission to also be on the Board of Health for Henderson. No formal action taken.

The York County Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Services was revisited. At this time the council feels this would not be beneficial for Henderson as this would take time away from law enforcement within the city's jurisdiction if the Chief of Police was deputized as a York County Officer. Chief Prusia stated he has a good relationship with the York County Sheriff's Department currently and will continue to help on calls outside of the city's jurisdiction within reason when he can.

Matt Friesen made a motion to approve the Mayor's recommendation for salary increases of 4.5%. Corbin Tessman seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Matt Friesen, Corbin Tessman and Brian Hiebner. Absent: Stan Friesen. Motion carried. Salaries are as follows: Chief of Police \$61,038.45, Clerk/Treasurer \$59,138.71, Utility Supervisor \$57,401.80 and Utility Assistant \$47,842.00.

Corbin Tessman made a motion to adopt Ordinance #441, an ordinance known as "the Annual Appropriation Bill" of the City of Henderson, Nebraska, to adopt the proposed budget statement pursuant to the Nebraska Budget Act, for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 to appropriate sums for necessary expenses and liabilities; and to provide for publication and an effective date of this ordinance and to suspend the three readings on three different days. Brian Hiebner seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Corbin Tessman, Brian Hiebner and Matt Friesen. Absent: Stan Friesen. Motion carried.

Corbin Tessman made a motion adjourn. Matt Friesen seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Corbin Tessman, Brian Hiebner and Matt Friesen. Absent: Stan Friesen. Motion carried.

Donald Regier, Mayor
Connie Brown, City Clerk