

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Henderson, Nebraska was held at 7:00 p.m. on December 12, 2023, at City Hall in Henderson, Nebraska. Notice of this meeting was posted at City Hall and published in the December 7, 2023, *Henderson News*.

Acting-Mayor Brian Hiebner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Acting-Mayor Hiebner 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. Acting-Mayor Hiebner referred to the open meetings law poster and stated if a member of the public wishes to speak on matters not listed on the agenda, they may speak during the Public Forum Period. Speakers will be given five minutes to address the Board. The public should be aware that the Board is unable, by law, to deliberate or act on the items raised during the Public Forum Period. The public may request the item to be placed on a future agenda for deliberation and/or action.

Roll call showed the following present: Acting-Mayor Brian Hiebner. Council members: Kevin J. Friesen, Teri Pollet and Mitch Huxoll. Absent: Corbin Tessman.

Minutes from the November 14, 2023 regular council meeting were reviewed. Kevin Friesen made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mitch Huxoll seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Kevin Friesen, Mitch Huxoll and Teri Pollet. Motion carried.

Teri Pollet made a motion to pay the claims as presented. Kevin Friesen seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Teri Pollet, Kevin Friesen and Mitch Huxoll. Motion carried.

No building permits were issued since the last meeting.

The special exception for John and Kaelea Saulsberry was revisited since it was tabled at the November meeting. John and Kaelea Saulsberry withdrew the special exception application for a gunsmith and gun appraisal business located at 971 11<sup>th</sup> Street which is zoned R-2, Medium Residential District as they will be looking for a different location for the business. No formal action taken.

The Mayor's appointment recommendations were reviewed. Teri Pollet made a motion to accept the Mayor's appointment recommendations for 2024 and to have Brian Hiebner continue to be Council President. Mitch Huxoll seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Teri Pollet, Mitch Huxoll and Kevin Friesen. Motion carried.

Mayor appointment recommendations for 2024 are as follows:

Water & Sewer Commissioner	Brian Hiebner
Swimming Pool/Recreation Commissioner	Teri Pollet
Parks Commissioner	Mitch Huxoll
Street Commissioner	Kevin J. Friesen
City/Clerk Administrator	Connie Brown
City Attorney	Charles Campbell
Deputy City Attorney	Mike Murphy
City Engineers/Street Superintendent	Miller & Associates/Reed Miller
Chief of Police	John Prusia
Zoning Administrator	Milan Mierau
Health Officer	Dr. Jim Ohrt/Dr. Chris Vanderneck
Recreation Administrators	Recreation Committee
Pool Administrator	Angie Bergen

The third and final reading was held for Ordinance #454, an ordinance to increase water rates. Kevin Friesen made a motion to adopt Ordinance #454 to increase water rates by 7% starting January 1, 2024. Teri Pollet seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Kevin Friesen, Teri Pollet and Mitch Huxoll. Motion carried.

The third and final reading was held for Ordinance #455, an ordinance to increase sewer rates. Teri Pollet made a motion to adopt Ordinance #455 to increase sewer rates by 7% starting January 1, 2024. Kevin Friesen seconded. Roll call: Ayes - Teri Pollet, Kevin Friesen and Mitch Huxoll. Motion carried.

Kevin Friesen made a motion to have SENDD start advertising the house for sale at 1141 N Main Street with the list the price of \$329,000. Teri Pollet seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Kevin Friesen, Teri Pollet and Mitch Huxoll. Motion carried.

Teri Pollet made a motion to convene as the CDA (Community Development Agency). Mitch Huxoll seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Teri Pollet, Mitch Huxoll and Kevin Friesen. Motion carried.

Kevin Friesen made a motion to adopt Resolution #2023-05, a resolution to approve a Minor Modification to the Redevelopment Plan to correct the legal description of the Project Site. Teri Pollet seconded. Roll call: Ayes - Kevin Friesen, Teri Pollet and Mitch Huxoll. Motion carried.

Teri Pollet made a motion to adopt Resolution #2023-06, a resolution to correct the legal description in the previously adopted Resolution #2023-03 dated October 10, 2023. Mitch Huxoll seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Teri Pollet, Mitch Huxoll and Kevin Friesen. Motion carried.

Kevin Friesen made a motion to reconvene as City Council. Mitch Huxoll seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Kevin Friesen, Mitch Huxoll and Teri Pollet. Motion carried.

Teri Pollet made a motion to adopt Resolution #2023-15, a resolution to correct the legal description in the previously adopted Resolution #2023-13 dated October 10, 2023. Kevin Friesen seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Teri Pollet, Kevin Friesen and Mitch Huxoll. Motion carried.

Mitch Huxoll made a motion to adjourn. Teri Pollet seconded. Roll vote: Ayes - Mitch Huxoll, Teri Pollet and Kevin Friesen. Motion carried.

Brian Hiebner, Acting Mayor  
Connie Brown, City Clerk