

Kimball City Council  
Regular Meeting  
May 17, 2022

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was convened in open and public session at 6:12 p.m. on May 17, 2022, held at the Kimball County Transit building, 233 S. Chestnut St. Council members Ingram, Pike, Bright, and Warner were present. Also, present was Mayor Prunty, City Administrator Brower, City Attorney Turman, City Clerk Barnwell, and City Treasurer Klassen. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

Prunty called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Prunty acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act.

No public hearings were conducted.

Prunty opened discussion on the request for agenda item from Stephen Watson to reinstall the barricades at Gotte Park at 4<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance. Mr. Watson stated that he was requesting that the blocks in the park be reinstalled due to an increase of traffic and that no fire hydrants were located in the block. He stated that it was a concern because of the safety of the children in that area. Prunty recommended that no action be taken and that the council revisit the request at the next meeting in order for more input from the public. No action was taken.

Prunty opened discussion on Kimball City 2020-2021 Audit from Michael Hoback, CPA with AMGL, PC Grand Island. Copies of fiscal year audit made available to the public. Noted was the auditor's opinion as 'the City was in good shape.' He highlighted that the Landfill needed to be monitored and a possible rate increase may be necessary in the near future. Prunty thanked all the staff and employees involved in the audit. Information only, no motion made, no action.

Prunty opened discussion and approval on the proposal from Baker & Associates Inc. for on-site engineering and construction site inspections for Kimball Health Services Hospital construction project. Administrator Brower stated that the demo was to begin on June 1 and that it was a thirty-two million dollar building project. The proposal was to have Baker & Associates engineers meet once a month with the Kimball Health Services construction engineers for on-site inspections. Pike motioned and seconded by Warner to approve the proposal from Baker & Associates Inc. for on-site engineering and construction site inspections for Kimball Health Services Hospital construction project. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion with Brad Slaughter with Piper Sandler & Co to approve the 2022 Kimball Combined Utilities Revenue Bond. Mr. Slaughter presented the 15- and 20-year amortization figures to the Council. The Council requested information on 10 years as well. Mr. Slaughter stated he would compile a 10-year amortization built on top of the 2013 bond. He stated that after 5 years, the bond could be paid in full without penalization. Ingram moved and seconded by Pike to approve the 2022 Kimball Combined Utilities Revenue Bond with Piper Sandler & Co. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened for motion that Ordinance # 804 2022 Kimball Combined Utilities Revenue Bond be read by title only and the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Ingram motioned and seconded by Bright to approve Ordinance # 804 2022 Kimball Combined Utilities Revenue Bond be read by title only and the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion for approval of new appointment of Lori Widener to the Kimball Public Library board. Bright motioned and seconded by Pike to approve new appointment of Lori Widener to the Kimball Public Library board. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion for approval of re-appointment of Terry Bourlier to the Kimball Public Library board. Ingram motioned and seconded by Bright to approve re-appointment of Terry Bourlier to the Kimball Public Library board. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion for approval on Interview Policy for Appointed Officials and Police Officers. Council members requested to move to the next meeting in order for the board to review the policy. No action taken.

Prunty opened for approval of Mayors signature on the Union Pacific Industrial Lease-Unimproved-Year to Year Lease of Property. Warner motioned and seconded by Pike to approve the Mayors signature on the Union Pacific Industrial Lease-Unimproved-Year to Year Lease of Property. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The City Council reviewed the following items under the consent agenda: (1) Minutes from April 19, 2022 – regular meeting; (2) Minutes from April 28, 2022 – Council/PBW Joint meeting; (3) Claims; (4) Financial Statements. Pike motioned and seconded by Bright to approve consent agenda items as presented. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Prunty updated that the Tree letters would be going out in June and that the Tree Removal Policy included stumps. He then informed the City Council that the City of Kimball received \$60,738.33 from EMC as a dividend from the safety portion of the policy.

City Administrator Brower updated the board that Exponential Engineering Contractors was on track with moving forward on the Power Plant. She stated that the on-site inspection for Janicek Dam would be in June; the estimated opening for Family Dollar was the end of June; the sinkhole project at the underpass was completed and the Cemetery Water project was completed, and the Cemetery looked nice. She continued with her update that the Water Department was preparing for the opening of the swimming pool which would be in approximately two weeks. The pool heaters are completed and being installed. Administrator Brower informed the Council that the Planning Commission would be meeting in June, July and August with Shouses, Tiny Homes, new development subdivisions and new business rezoning on the agendas. She introduced new Economic Development/Special Projects Coordinator, Melinda Pearson. She stated that the Mayor and herself had attended the Air Force conference in Alabama last week and that GBSD and Kimball were discussed on the national level.

The next regular schedule meeting will be June 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Prunty opened the floor for any public comments. Lanny Little spoke of the issues with Semi-truck parking in residential areas. Information only, no motion made, no action.

There being no further business, Bright motioned and seconded by Ingram to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

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Keith B. Prunty, Mayor

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Kim Barnwell, City Clerk