

Kimball City Council
Regular Meeting
August 16, 2022

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was convened in open and public session at 6:21 p.m. on August 16, 2022, held at the Kimball County Transit building, 233 S. Chestnut St. Council members Ingram, Pike, Warner, and Bright 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 6:21 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.

Prunty opened public hearing at 6:22 p.m. for application for Conditional Use Permit for In-Home Daycare at Hillcrest Addition Block 3 Lot 2, 1112 E. 8th Street, Kimball, NE 669145. No public comments were made. Prunty closed the public hearing at 6:22 p.m.

After discussion, Pike moved and seconded by Bright to approve the application for Conditional Use Permit for In-Home Daycare at Hillcrest Addition Block 3 Lot 2, 1112 E. 8th Street, Kimball, NE 669145. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened public hearing at 6:22 p.m. for application for Rezoning located at 2A, Cummings-Crago Addition, a replat of Cummings-Crago Addition, Lots 1, 2 & 3, 905 E. 3rd Street, Kimball, NE 69145. No public comments were made. Prunty closed the public hearing at 6:24 p.m.

After discussion, Warner moved and seconded by Ingram to approve the application for Rezoning located at 2A, Cummings-Crago Addition, a replat of Cummings-Crago Addition, Lots 1, 2 & 3, 905 E. 3rd Street, Kimball, NE 69145. 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 Zelle HR Consultant. City Administrator Brower stated that Zelle would provide many needed duties and maintain compliance for the City of Kimball. Micah Neill was present and briefly went over what the expectations of the HR consulting firm would be. City Attorney Turman stated that it would begin with a twelve month contract and then on a month to month basis. After discussion, Warner moved and seconded by Pike to approve the contract for twelve months with Zelle HR Consultant. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion on the date for the Joint Budget Workshop with BPW on August 30, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. All Council members agreed on August 30, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. for the Joint Budget Workshop with the BPW.

Prunty opened discussion for approval on the Agenda Request Item from Jessica Rocha for the downtown sidewalk bricks to be used by the Village of Bushnell. Jessica Rocha was present and stated that she was asking for approval to have the sidewalk bricks donated to the Village of Bushnell if the City of Kimball chooses to remove them and not reuse them. She stated that she would arrange stacking, loading and transportation of the bricks. After discussion, Warner moved and seconded by Ingram to approve the Agenda Request Item from Jessica Rocha for the downtown sidewalks bricks to be donated, if the City of Kimball chooses not to reuse them, to the Village of Bushnell with stacking, loading and transportation being managed by Jessica Rocha. 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 Resolution 2022-05 for the Kimball Airport Authority Property Tax Request for 2022-2023 Budget. Bright moved and seconded by Ingram to approve the Resolution 2022-05 for the Kimball Airport Authority Property Tax Request for 2022-2023 Budget. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Prunty opened discussion and approval on Interlocal Agreement to increase municipal sales and use tax at a rate greater than one and one-half percent to two percent recommended by the Community Redevelopment Authority. City Attorney Turman stated that signing the Interlocal Agreement meant only that the City will have one year to put the increased sales and use tax on a ballot. After that it will expire, and another will need to be completed. It was discussed as an option to do a special election in the spring of 2023 after more research and public input has been received. Prunty stated that moving forward with the Interlocal Agreement and Resolution at this time would allow it to be put on the November 2022 ballot without the additional cost and if passed, have the Wellness Center built before the previous swimming pool was no longer usable. After discussion, Pike moved and seconded by Warner to approve the Interlocal Agreement to increase municipal sales and use tax at a rate greater than one and one-half percent to two percent recommended by the Community Redevelopment Authority. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the approval of Resolution 2022-09 for the Sales Tax for the Infrastructure and the Council asked that it be put on the August 30, 2022 meeting agenda.

Prunty opened discussion for approval on Resolution 2022-10 for Intent to Annex Property Adjacent and Contiguous to the City of Kimball. City Attorney Turman stated that once approved, the Planning Commission would have a public hearing and the recommend approval to City Council for a public hearing. The ordinance would require three readings before being passed. Pike moved and seconded by Ingram to approve Resolution 2022-10 for Intent to Annex Property Adjacent and Contiguous to the City of Kimball. 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 the City of Kimball Tree Removal Program/Grant Application. City Administrator Brower stated that there was \$6,000.00 in the budget for this program. The Tree Board has approved the grant application. Ingram moved and seconded by

Warner to approve the City of Kimball Tree Removal Program/Grant Application. 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 the Kubota Tractor/Loader for the WWTP for \$54,632.37. City Administrator Brower stated that this would allow WWTP not to have to share equipment and begin standing on their own. She also stated that the BPW has approved the purchase and recommended it to the Council for approval. Warner moved and seconded by Pike to approve the Kubota Tractor/Loader for the WWTP for \$54,632.37. 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 the Mayor' signature on the NDOT Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance and Signing Resolution 2022-08 with the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards (NBCS). Bright moved and seconded by Ingram to approve the Mayor' signature on the NDOT Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance and Signing Resolution 2022-08 with the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards (NBCS). 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 July 19, 2022 – regular meeting; (2) Claims; (3) Financial Statements. Bright motioned and seconded by Warner 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 he had attended the VIP Northrup Grumman meeting.

City Administrator Brower updated that the Power Plant Generation project was moving forward; she will be attending the NMPP Board meeting on August 17; County Assessor Winstrom completed certified property valuations for the budgets; the BPW will be meeting on August 23, 2022 for a Budget Workshop. She continued to state that she will be meeting with a housing developer on Friday; Olsson Engineering will be on-site at the WWTP to go over the rate studies. The AMR Water meter installers will be on-site September 1 to install the water meters and the process will take about 3 months. The electric meters are expected to arrive soon, and the installers will be able to install them as well if on-site. She stated that all departments have been busy and that the Air Force/State Senators meeting went well. She added that she had a meeting with Chief Bremer regarding Police Department issues and asked Chief Bremer to speak. Chief Bremer stated that the Police Department needed to be built up and get to seven active police officers. He stated that he would like to see a Community Orientated Policing (COPS) group brought together to discuss police departmental issues, ideas, deal with hiring and wage scales for retention purposes.

The next regular schedule meeting will be September 20, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Prunty opened the floor for any public comments. No public comments were made.

There being no further business, Bright motioned and seconded by Pike to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Bright, Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Keith B. Prunty, Mayor

Kim Barnwell, City Clerk