Kimball City Council
Regular Meeting
September 5, 2023

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was convened in open and public session at 5:00 p.m. on September 5, 2023, held at the City Council Chambers, 223 S. Chestnut St. Council members, Ingram, Pike, and Warner were present. Also, present was Mayor Morrison, City Administrator Annette Brower, City Treasurer Klassen, and City Attorney Matt Turman. The public was represented in the meeting.

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.

Morrison called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. On roll call the following votes were recorded. Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: Muench. Motion carried. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Morrison acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act.

Mayor Morrison led the room in prayer.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Pike to approve the consent agenda items as one which includes, minutes from the meeting held on August 15, 2023, and minutes from the meeting held on August 29th. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: Muench. Motion carried.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Pike to approve the Keno Grant request on behalf of Farmer's Day requested by Josh Enevoldsen. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Warner, Pike. Abstained: Ingram and Morrison abstained due to being a part of the Farmer's Day Committee. Nay: None. Absent Muench. Motion carried.

City Administrator Annette Brower opened further discussion on the changes in budget of FY 2023-2024. Brower reviewed the budget by going in detail for each department, board members participated by asking questions and adding comments. Discussion only.

Morrison opened a discussion on the speed limit on Chestnut Street and stop signs on 2nd Street. The public expressed concerns about it and shared their opinions during the meeting. (The public was represented)

Board member Pike – The speed limit needs to be addressed, it is a safety issue, there is a lack of visibility, and it is important we address this soon.

Board member Warner – A traffic study could possibly help us understand all the necessary steps in this process.

Reports –

City Administrator Annette Brower – The divers will be in Kimball the week of September 11 for the pool dive study/testing. Military will be here on the 11th or the 12th to remove the missile. Brower gave additional updates.

Chief Of Police Jose Ruiz – It has been very busy these past few weeks, the department has had 136 calls for service since August 15th. Some of the issues the department has handled and dealt with have been such as: Civil standbys, parking violations, noise complaints, home visits, trespassing, welfare checks, harassment, theft, suspicious person. We have assisted State Patrol, multiple disturbance calls, domestic disputes, multiple arrests. Chief Ruiz provided additional updates.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Ingram to go into Executive closed session at 5:34pm for protection of the public interest and discussion regarding deployment of security personnel or devices and guidance from legal counsel. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, Warner. Nay: None. Absent: Muench. Motion carried.

Executive session ended at 6:07pm.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, September19th at 5:00pm.

There being no further business, motion by Ingram, seconded by Pike to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. The following votes were recorded, Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: Muench. Motion carried.

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John Morrison, Mayor City Clerk