Kimball City Council
Special Meeting
September 24, 2024

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A City Council meeting was convened in open and public session at 5:17 p.m. September 24, 2024, held at the City Council Chambers, 223 S. Chestnut St. Council members present were, Ingram, Warner, and Pike. Absent: None. Also, present was Mayor Morrison, City Administrator Annette Brower, City Clerk Jean Klassen, City Clerk Paula Tarango. 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.

The room was led in prayer.

Motion by Ingram, seconded by Pike to approve and adopt Resolution #2024-05 Setting Property Tax Request as shown below:

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST RESOLUTION NO. 05-2024

WHEREAS,

Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the City of Kimball passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the City of Kimball resolves that:

1. The 2024-2025 property tax request be set at:

General Fund: $ Bond Fund: $
743,113.56

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 21.96 percent.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.296467 per $100 of assessed value.

4. The City of Kimball proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.413258 per $100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the City of Kimball will increase (or decrease) last year's budget by 22.93 percent.

The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Pike, seconded by Ingram to approve and adopt Ordinance #831 –
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIMBALL, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM.
The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ingram, seconded by Pike to waive the three readings of ordinance 831 - **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIMBALL, NEBRASKA, TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM.**
The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ingram, seconded by Warner to approve the recommendation from the Loan Advisory Committee for 15% loan forgiveness for Goodhand Theater. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ingram, seconded by Warner to approve Creg Pike signature on all bank cards as Council President. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Warner, and Pike, Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Pike to approve the mayor's appointment of Mike Downey as a board member of the Planning Commission Board. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ingram to approve the mayor's appointment of Tammy Land to the Board of Public Works. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Ingram to approve the mayor's appointment of Jodelle "Jodi" Keeler to the Housing Authority Board. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Chief of Police Jose Ruiz explained the purpose of the Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Sidney Police Department and the Kimball Police Department. This would allow officers from Kimball to respond to the City of Sidney if they needed assistance with execution of a search warrant or an arrest warrant, and/or if they needed extra presence in case of a catastrophic event and their officers would be able to do the same for Kimball.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Pike to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Sidney Police Department and Kimball Police Department. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Warner, Pike, and Ingram. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Reports –

Mayor Morrison – All of the work from the council board is very much appreciated, we had a budget workshop every week in the month of August. Kimball is very aligned with neighboring towns; this budget has not been easy to work with due to some of the challenges presented but thank you to the Council Board members for doing a fine job.

City Administrator Annette Brower – The equipment from City Park has been removed, we are currently waiting for the installer for a date to come out and install sensory friendly playground equipment, after that, the concrete needs to be poured and we must wait 10 days for the next step. Roughly 1 month from today before the park can re-open. Thanks to everyone for their patience and understanding. The power generation project is moving forward, the footings have been poured. It is very impressive; I encourage everyone to go look at it if they have time. They are right on schedule for completion date of June of 2025. The water department is finalizing getting the water hooked up tomorrow at the 7th Street apartments, electrical has been out there, they are almost completed with that project as well. The water crew is working on the sewer and water extensions at the Mietus duplexes simultaneously. Our streets repair projects are moving forward, they are on 6th Street, 8th Street and Evergreen has been finished. Viaero will be in town for the next few weeks boring to install high speed internet through the city. Crews are busy and gearing up for Farmer's Day and helping the committee as much as possible. Additional updates given.

Chief of Police Jose Ruiz – The Police Department has taken 110 calls for service. To clarify, these are not ALL 911 calls, they range from abatements to traffic stops, assistance calls, etc. Currently 45 abatements, 12 are in progress, 31 have been cleared, and 2 have been sent over to the city attorney. Hiring, we have had several applicants, some were immediately disqualified, due to background issues. We are not willing to lower our standards for the sake of filling the spot, it is not safe for anyone. The Chief attended a weeklong training in Larimer County. He is currently a certified instructor for the C4CPJJ Curriculum, a defensive tax program, this focuses on effective and safe techniques to help reduce injuries to the officers. Officer Luft and K9 Trudy successfully completed their training. The K9 team is headed to Hastings and will be getting certified in the State of Nebraska. Sergeant Barboza and his K9 Lucy have also started their training to be certified in the State of Nebraska in early November. October 2nd we will have an event at Nebraska Coffee, this will allow citizens to interact with officials in person without having to go through a phone call. Additional updates given.

Other business –

The regular City Council meeting scheduled for October 1st will be cancelled due to no agenda items and the mayor being out of town in training.

Motion by Warner, seconded by Ingram to cancel the regular City Council meeting scheduled for October 1st of 2024 due to no agenda items and per the mayor's request. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Pike, and Warner. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 5:00pm

There being no further business, motion by Ingram, seconded by Warner, to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 p.m. The following votes were recorded: Aye: Ingram, Warner and Pike. Absent: None. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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John Morrison, Mayor City Clerk

City of Kimball-City Council Meeting-General Claims-September 17, 2024-Kimball Auto Parts-Supplies-17.87; Kimball Auto Parts-Supplies-138.82; Kimball Ace Hardware-Supplies-66.90; High Plains Beverages-Beverages-993.40; Affordable
Tree-Services-900.00; Anderson-Shaw Construction, Incorporated-Inspection-780.00; CPS Distributors, Incorporated-Supplies-96.69; Combined Utilities-Utilities-4,041.33; Contractors Materials Incorporated-Equipment-1,317.00; Dollar General Corporation-Supplies-127.80; Hays Contracting-Repairs-7,487.00; Kimball Ace Hardware-Supplies-132.17; Kimball Ace Hardware-Supplies-17.58; Kimball Auto Parts-Supplies-266.41; Michael Todd Industrial Supply-Supplies-66.01; Napa Auto Parts-Supplies-319.53; Sandberg Implement Incorporated-Supplies-209.61; Schadegg Oil Company & Motors Incorporated-Repairs-24.50; Wyoming First Aid & Safety Supply, LLC-Supplies-51.97; Kimball Service Center-Supplies-251.00; Ellison, Kovarik & Turman Law Firm-Professional Services-2,619.00; CPS Distributors, Incorporated-Supplies-1,319.98; Great America Financial Services-Lease-82.29; Kimball Ace Hardware-Supplies-176.19; Kimball Auto Parts-Supplies-39.32; Kimball County Hospital-Drug Screens-231.55; Midwest Connect, LLC-Supplies-256.00; Napa Auto Parts-Supplies-16.33; Prairie Animal Hospital-Services-724.64; Reliance Standard Life Insurance Company-Premium-251.01; Sandberg Implement Incorporated-Equipment-25,000.00; Ashley Sisk-Contract Cleaning-400.00; WPCI-Drug Screens-210.00; Ideal Linen Supply, Incorporated-Supplies-103.09; Intralinks, Incorporated-47.60; Viaero-Cell Phone-110.66; Brandt Appraisal Company Incorporated-Appraisal-4,900.00; High Plains Beverages-Beverages-519.40; Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center-Books-142.00; Column Software PBC-Meeting Notices-18.83; Olsson Associates-Services-657.98; Viaero-Phone-368.52; Western Nebraska Observer-Meeting Notices-518.76; Brennan McDonald-Services-4,800.00; Alarm Security Technicians-Security-38.95; Barco Municipal Products, Incorporated-Supplies-1,145.63; Black Hills Energy, LLC-Gas Service-82.70; Black Hills Energy, LLC-Gas Service-299.68; Center Point Large Print-Book Purchase-145.02; CenturyLink-Telephone-202.65; Charter Communications-Internet-227.48; Combined Utilities-City Utilities-9,053.21; Connecting Point-Copy Usage-218.34; Consolidated Management Company-Services-150.55; DP Electronic LLC/Radio Shack-Security-21.49; Dollar General Corporation-Supplies-270.55; EMC National Life Company-Premium-71.78; Eakes Office Solutions-Contract-44.49; Ellison, Kovarik & Turman Law Firm-Professional Services-1,966.95; Fastenal Company-Services-48.67; Guardian Alliance Technologies, Incorporated-Services-110.00; Gumdrop Books-Book Purchase-73.44; High Plains Beverages-Beverages-1,585.55; High West Energy-Utilities-6,073.00; Hometown Leasing-Lease-107.55; Ideal Linen Supply, Incorporated-Supplies-186.15; Ingram Library Services-Book Purchase-1,040.38; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-235.00; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-216.00; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-805.00; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-47.60; Intralinks, Incorporated-Services-2,355.46; Kembel Sand & Gravel Company-Sand-1,187.85; Kimball Ace Hardware-Supplies-257.43; Kimball Ace Hardware-Supplies-102.68; Kimball Auto Parts-Parts-16.79; Kimball County Hospital-Drug Screens-183.58; Kimball Public Schools-Licenses-2,310.00; Kimball Service Center-Tires-134.00; L.L. Johnson Distributing Company-Sprinkler Head Adapters-4,996.88; Legacy Cooperative-Supplies-107.82; Masek

Golf Car Company-Lease-3,600.00; Masters Telecom LLC-Fax Service-15.79; MicroMarketing, LLC-Media Expense-80.48; Napa Auto Parts-Supplies-46.59; Napa Auto Parts-Parts-1,165.37; Northwest Pipe Fitting, Incorporated of Scottsbluff-Irrigation Repair Parts-101.59; OPTK Networks-Internet-35.00; Pine Bluffs Auto Parts-Supplies-319.98; Prestige Welding & Repair-Repairs-66.72; R & R Products, Incorporated-Parts-133.00; Schadegg Oil Company & Motors Incorporated-Repairs-24.50; Spic and Span Cleaners-Supplies-5,513.00; Staples-Equipment-279.99; Amber Sweetland-Reimbursement-2,312.00; The Country Printer-Supplies-90.00; Vakoc Value Electric & Locksmith Service-Services-131.40; Van Pelt Fencing Company, Incorporated-Services-2,798.22; Verizon-Telephone-80.02; Verizon-Telephone-692.44; Verizon-Telephone-63.59; Viaero-Cell Phone-38.30; Vince's Corner-Supplies-99.25; Voyager Fleet Systems-Fuel-1,032.49; WPCI-Drug Screen-32.00; Westco-Supplies-540.00; Western Nebraska Observer-Renewal-45.00; Shelby Widener-Contract Cleaning-200.00.