# Aurora, Nebraska December 11, 2018

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Aurora, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. on December 11, 2018 at the City Hall. Present were Councilors: Paul Lackore, Wayne Roblee, Daniel Bartling, Dorothy Anderson, Dick Phillips and Nancy Lohrmeyer. Mayor David Long conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Administrator Eric Melcher, City Attorney Ross Luzum, Chief of Police Paul Graham and Utilities Superintendent Adam Darbro.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on December 5, 2018. Notice of meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Long stated "AS PERSCRIBED BY LAW A COPY OF THE NEBRASKA OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS POSTED BY THE DOUBLE DOORS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS."

#### **MINUTES**:

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the minutes from the November 13, 2018 meeting. Councilor Lohrmeyer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

#### PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, COMMUNICATIONS:

#### REPORTS BY OFFICERS, BOARD, COMMITTEES:

In absence of Clerk/Treasurer Mikkelsen, Utility Superintendent Darbro presented the Expenditures and Clerk/Treasurer reports for the month ending November 30, 2018. Councilor Phillips moved to approve said reports. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Claims Committee Member Lackore reported the claims presented by the Clerk were in order and moved that said claims be allowed and checks drawn on the various funds for payment of same be approved. Councilor Lohrmeyer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee and Bartling. Nay: None. The motion carried. A listing of said claims is attached to these minutes.

City Attorney Luzum gave the Oath of Office to new Police Officer Tyler Hinchey.

Councilor Phillips moved to authorize Mayor Seeman to continue negotiations with County Commissioners EMS Negotiating Committee to establish a proposed Fire Based Emergency Medical Services Interlocal Agreement subject to the approval of the City Council, County Commissioners and if necessary, Nebraska Commission of Industrial Relations. Councilor Lohrmeyer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling and Anderson. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Roblee moved to approve Change Order No. 4 & Final for the 2017 1st Street Improvements project for Diamond Engineering Co., for a decrease of \$29,541.02. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Anderson and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Roblee moved to approve Pay Application No. 7 & Final for the 2017 1st Street Improvements project for Diamond Engineering Co. for \$105,142.56 less \$24,000 which will paid when seeding is completed in the spring. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips and Lohrmeyer. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved to accept the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the 2017 1st Street Improvements project for Diamond Engineering Co. Councilor Bartling seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

# REORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL

City Attorney Luzum gave the oath of office to newly elected officials Paul Lackore, Ward I; Richard Phillips, Ward II; Dan Bartling, Ward III and Marlin Seeman, Mayor

Councilor Lohrmeyer moved to elect Councilor Richard Phillips for Council President. Councilor Bartling seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Anderson, Lohrmeyer, Lackore and Roblee. Abstain: Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried and Councilor Phillips was elected Council President for 2019.

Councilor Phillips moved to approve the appointment of Steven A. Parr from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. as City Street Superintendent. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Anderson and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Seeman made the following appointments of City Officials and Department Heads for 2019.

# 2019 Appointed City Officials and Department Heads

Eric Melcher City Administrator

City Attorney Ross Luzum, Powell &

Luzum

City Physician Dr. Michael Sullivan, MD City Engineer JEO Consulting Group, Inc.

City Clerk/Treasurer Barbra J. Mikkelsen Deputy Clerk Di Anna Leininger

Steven A. Parr Street Superintendent Adam

Utility Superintendent-

Darbro Zoning Administrator

Waste Water Plant Superintendent Dennis Sabell Thomas D. Cox Fire Chief Paul L. Graham Chief of Police

Steven D. Patton Cemetery Superintendent Janette C. Thomsen Librarian Jeremy Cattau Park Superintendent

Rev. Karl Larson Police Chaplain

Police Officers: Ryan E. Dummer, Lieutenant, Nathan Friesen, Sergeant, Corey J. Dvorak, Patrolman II, John C. Johnston, Patrolman II, Rex Kinsey Patrolman II, Bryan A. Painter, Patrolman II, Robert D. Thornton III, Patrolman I, Tyler

Hinchey, Patrolman I

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the Mayor's appointments of the City Officials/Department Heads as stated for 2019. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips and Lohrmeyer. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Roblee moved to approve the Council Committee appointments for 2019. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried. Councilor Committees for 2019 are as follows:

### Fees/Claims

Nancy Lohrmeyer\* Paul Lackore Dan Bartling

#### Public Works

Wayne Roblee\*
Dick Phillips
Dorothy Anderson

# **Public Safety**

Dick Phillips\* Nancy Lohrmeyer Dan Bartling

#### **Recreation & Facilities**

Paul Lackore\*
Wayne Roblee
Dorothy Anderson

\*Chairperson

Councilor Lackore moved to designate the Aurora News Register as the Official Newspaper for the City of Aurora. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Phillips moved to approve the appointment of the Aurora Volunteer Fire Department members. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee and Bartling. Nay: None. The motion carried. The following were appointed as Volunteer Fire Department members:

Donald Adams, Dustin Brandt, Alex Briner, Jonathan, Bruner, Jeremy Cattau, Blake Delarm, Brent Dethlefs, Derek Dibbern, George Eberly, Andrew Fisher, Brady Friesen, Tanner Greenough, Matthew Hedge, Jeremy Hope, Caden Huenefeld, Chris Hyde, Kyle Johnson, Andrew Journey, Ryder Keller, Shane Kluck, Brandon Lubke, Randy Maahs, Anthony Marty, Peter Miller, Travis Mitchell, Glenn Obermeier, Clinton Roberts, Stephen Saddler, Jeffrey Schneider, Kirt Smith, Scott Snider, Phillip Thomas, Spencer Werner, Kasey Wessels, Jennifer West, Jeremy White and Micah Willis.

Councilor Phillips moved to approve the plans and specifications for the water main extension to the NDOT building. Councilor Lohrmeyer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling and Anderson. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the Nebraska Department of Transportation Road Maintenance agreement for \$13,956.00. Councilor Bartling seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Anderson and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Phillips moved to approve the plumber's license for Tim Wentz of Patriot Plumbing out of Lincoln, NE. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips and Lohrmeyer. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the request from Deb Kalkwarf of Grandview Café for a special designated liquor license for a fund raising event at the Leadership Center on January 26, 2018 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Anderson, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

# **MISCELLANEOUS:**

### ADJOURNMENT:

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Long declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15p.m.

ATTEST:

Bawa M/ ihhelsen
City Clerk



Marlin Leeman Mayor